


**Save the Date and Register Today for NASEO's 2019 Energy Policy Outlook Conference**


NASEO will host the 2019 Energy Policy Outlook Conference on February 5-8, 2019, in Washington, DC. Join top policymakers and private sector leaders for discussions on investments needed for strong and reliable grid, transportation, and buildings systems, as well as the latest news from the 116th Congress and the Administration.

*Learn more and register today!*





**NARUC**  
National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners



**NASEO**  
National Association of State Energy Officials

**TASK FORCE ON COMPREHENSIVE ELECTRICITY PLANNING**


The National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC) and the National Association of State Energy Officials (NASEO) will provide a forum for the development of state-led pathways toward a more resilient, efficient, and affordable grid.

**ELECTRICITY PLANNING FOR A 21<sup>st</sup> CENTURY POWER GRID**

Emerging technologies, decreasing costs, consumer preferences, new energy service providers, and state and local efforts are driving significant growth in distributed energy resources (DERs) such as solar, storage, energy efficiency, demand management, and microgrids. These investments increasingly require regulatory and policy innovation and a greater emphasis on planning to overcome system complexities and avoid unnecessary costs associated with operating the grid.

With greater alignment of resource and distribution system planning, states and utilities could:

- Improve grid reliability and resilience
- Optimize use of distributed and existing energy resources
- Avoid unnecessary costs to ratepayers
- Support state policy priorities
- Increase the transparency of grid-related investment decisions



**NARUC and NASEO Establish New Joint Task Force on Electricity Planning**

The National Association of State Energy Officials (NASEO) and the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC) announced the formation of a new task force. The task force will help develop new approaches to better align distribution system planning and resource planning processes.

**REV West States Release Baseline Policy Analysis and Discuss EV Development**

The signatory states of the Regional Electric



Vehicle Plan for the West Memorandum of Understanding (REV West MOU) recently released an Electric Vehicle Policy Baseline for the Intermountain States at their first in-person meeting in Denver, Colorado. The analysis is designed to help the REV West states achieve the goals outlined in the MOU.



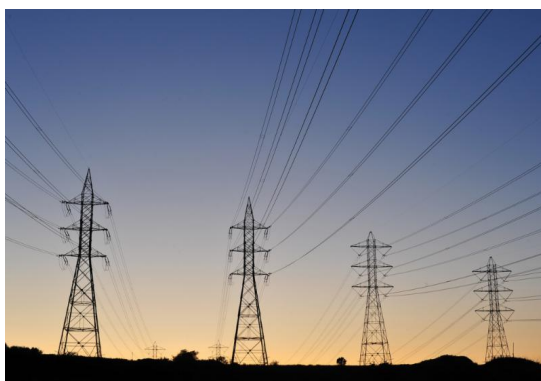
## Two New Microgrids in Maryland Increase Energy Resilience and Efficiency

Montgomery County, Maryland recently launched two microgrid projects composed of solar parking canopies, natural gas combined heat and power (CHP) systems, electric vehicle (EV) charging infrastructure, and electrical upgrades.



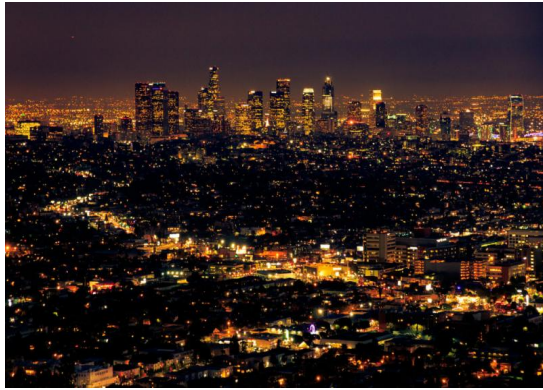
## Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee Holds Blackstart Hearing

On October 11, the U.S. Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources held a hearing to examine blackstart, the process for returning energy to the power grid after a system-wide blackout.



## DOE Proposes New Rule on Critical Electric Infrastructure Information

On October 29, the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) published a proposed rule for public comment to establish procedures for the designation of critical electric infrastructure information (CEII) under the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act or FAST Act (Public Law 114-94).



## NCC Approves Coal Report for U.S. Secretary of Energy

The National Coal Council recently approved a report titled, "*Power Reset: Optimizing the Existing U.S. Coal Fleet to Ensure a Reliable and Resilient Power Grid*" for U.S. Secretary of Energy Rick Perry. The report provides four recommendations to increase the reliability and resilience of the nation's electric grid by optimizing the U.S. coal fleet.



## REV West RFI: Voluntary Minimum Standards for DC Fast Charging Stations

The eight signatory states of the Regional Electric Vehicle Plan for the West Memorandum of Understanding (REV West MOU) are seeking input on what factors the states should consider when developing minimum standards for DC fast charger installations in the intermountain region.



## Idaho, Nevada, and 39 Other States Have Allocated Money for EV Infrastructure

Forty-one states now have a portion of funds from the 2016 Volkswagen Settlement set aside for installing EV infrastructure in their states.

## AFFILIATES CORNER

## The Weidt Group Executive Recognized for LEED Leadership





The Weidt Group announced on October 31st that Dana Kose, their project executive and LEED AP Building Design + Construction is a 2018 LEED Fellow. LEED Fellows are named by Green Business Certification Inc (GBCI) and must be nominated by peers.



## USGBC, ASHRAE, and ICC Announce the Publication of the 2018 IgCC Document

The 2018-International Green Construction Code (IgCC), released in November 2018, is the result of collaboration among three NASEO Affiliate members: the U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC), International Code Council (ICC), and ASHRAE.



## NEEP to Host HELIX Summit in Providence, Rhode Island

Join Ed Carley, NASEO Senior Program Manager and Buildings Program Lead, for a discussion of how residential energy data access can transform the real estate market at the HELIX Summit in Providence, Rhode Island on December 7.

*Join NASEO's Affiliates Program!*

## MORE NEWS AND UPDATES

**eProject Builder Hosting Webinars to Introduce ESCOs, Customers, and Interested Parties to ePB**

**Upcoming NASEO Meetings**

**NASEO 2018 Winter Board of Directors Meeting: December 4-5, 2018 - Arlington, VA**

2019 NASEO Energy Policy Outlook Conference: February 5-8, 2019 - Fairmont Hotel, Washington, DC

2019 NASEO Southeast Regional Meeting: April 22-23, 2019 - Jackson, MS

2019 NASEO Northeast Regional Meeting: May 7-8, 2019 - Concord, NH

2019 NASEO Midwest Regional Meeting: May 14-15, 2019 - Madison, WI

2019 NASEO Western Regional Meeting: May 21-22, 2019 - Seattle, WA

2019 NASEO Mid-Atlantic Regional Meeting: June 3-4, 2019 - Annapolis, MD

2019 NASEO Central Regional Meeting: June 10-11, 2019 - Helena, MT

## Upcoming NASEO Conference Calls and Webinars

NASEO Government Affairs Committee Conference Call: December 14, 2:30-3:30 pm ET

NASEO 2018-2019 Transportation Committee Webinar Series: November 27, 2018 - September 4, 2019, 2:00-3:00 pm ET

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