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SETTING THE STAGE REMARKS



Paul Kjellander
President
Idaho Public Utilities Commission

Commissioner Paul Kjellander serves as President of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission, having been appointed to his current six-year term in 2017 by Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter. His term expires in 2023.

It is Commissioner Kjellander's second term in his second stint on the Commission, having previously served from January 1999 until October 2007. Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter reappointed Kjellander in April 2011, following his service as administrator of the newly created state Office of Energy Resources (OER).

A member of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC) board of directors and executive committee, Kjellander is a past President of the association. He previously served on NARUC's Committee on Consumer Affairs and its Electricity Committee and is past Chair of the Committee on Telecommunications.

Kjellander serves as President of the National Council on Electricity Policy, which is funded by the US Department of Energy and managed by NARUC. He was a member of the Federal Communications Commission's 706 Joint Board and served as chairman of the FCC's Federal-State Joint Board on Jurisdictional Separations.

During his time at OER, which is now known as the Office of Energy and Mineral Resources, Kjellander created an aggressive energy efficiency program funded through the federal American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. He also served on the board of the National Association of State Energy Officials.

Before joining the Commission in 1999, Kjellander was elected to three terms in the Idaho House of Representatives, where he served from 1994-1999. As a legislator, Kjellander served on a number of committees, including House State Affairs, Judiciary and Rules, Ways and Means, Local Government and Transportation. During his final term in office, Kjellander was elected chairman of the House Majority Caucus.

Prior to his legislative service, Kjellander was director of Boise State University's College of Applied Technology Distance Learning, where he earned tenured faculty status and served as program head of broadcast technology, station manager of BSU Radio Network, director of the Special Projects Unit for BSU Radio and as BSU Radio's director of News and Public Affairs.



Christopher J. Ayers
Executive Director
North Carolina Utilities Commission Public Staff

Christopher J. Ayers has served as Executive Director of the North Carolina Utilities Commission Public Staff since July 1, 2013 and currently serves as President of the National Association of State Utility Consumer Advocates (NASUCA). The Public Staff represents the using and consuming public and investigates electric, gas, water, wastewater, and transportation matters before the North Carolina Utilities Commission. Prior to joining the Public Staff, he practiced law in Raleigh, North Carolina with the law firm of Poyner Spruill LLP from June 2009 to July 2013 and Hunton & Williams LLP from August 2003 to June 2009. He served a two-year term on the North Carolina Environmental Management Commission from July 2011 through June 2013.

Mr. Ayers serves on the Consumer Advocates for the PJM States Board of Directors, Department of Energy Electricity Advisory Committee, Critical Consumer Issues Forum Executive Committee, Financial Research Institute Advisory Board, Keystone Energy Board, New Mexico State University Center for Public Utilities Advisory Council, and is Chairman of the State Employees Credit Union Board of Directors.

Mr. Ayers earned his undergraduate degree from Duke University and received his Juris Doctor with Honors from the University of North Carolina. He resides in Apex, North Carolina with his wife Rebecca.

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OPPORTUNITIES & CHALLENGES IN THE TRANSITION TO CLEAN ENERGY

Moderator



Philip D. Moeller
Executive Vice President, Business Operations Group and Regulatory Affairs
Edison Electric Institute (EEI)

The Honorable Philip D. Moeller is Executive Vice President, Business Operations Group and Regulatory Affairs at the Edison Electric Institute (EEI). EEI is the association that represents all of the nation's investor-owned electric companies.

Mr. Moeller has significant responsibility over a broad range of issues that affect the future structure of the electric power industry and new rules in evolving competitive markets. He has responsibility over the strategic areas of energy supply and finance, environment, energy delivery, energy services, federal and state regulatory issues, and international affairs.

Prior to joining EEI in February 2016, Mr. Moeller served as a Commissioner on the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), ending his tenure as the second-longest serving member of the Commission. In office from 2006 through 2015, Mr. Moeller ended his service as the only Senate-confirmed member of the federal government appointed by both President George W. Bush and President Barack Obama. At FERC, Mr. Moeller championed policies promoting improved wholesale electricity markets, increasing investment in electric transmission and natural gas pipeline infrastructure, and enhancing the coordination of the electric power and natural gas industries.

Earlier in his career, Mr. Moeller headed the Washington, D.C., office of Alliant Energy Corporation. He also served as a Senior Legislative Assistant for Energy Policy to U.S. Senator Slade Gorton (R-WA), and as the Staff Coordinator of the Washington State Senate Energy and Telecommunications Committee in Olympia, Washington.

Mr. Moeller was born in Chicago and raised on a ranch near Spokane, Washington. He received a BA in Political Science from Stanford University.

Panelists



Mary Throne
Commissioner
Wyoming Public Service Commission

Governor Gordon appointed Mary Throne to the Commission, effective March 1, 2019. Mary also serves on the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC) Committee on Energy Resources and the Environment as its Co-Vice Chair.

Mary received a Bachelor of Arts Degree in History from Princeton University in 1982 and her Juris Doctor Degree in 1988 from Columbia Law School. She clerked for the Honorable Reena Raggi in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York, before beginning her legal career with a Denver firm. Mary, a Campbell County native, returned to Wyoming in 1992.

Mary has years of experience in the natural resource field. She has represented the Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality, Air Quality Division in the Office of the Attorney General and in private practice, she has assisted a variety of energy, mineral and business clients with environmental compliance and permitting, industrial siting, and other regulatory issues.

For ten years, Mary represented Cheyenne in the Wyoming House of Representatives, serving as Minority Floor Leader for four years. Working in a bipartisan fashion, she played a key role in developing Wyoming's landmark carbon capture and sequestration laws.

Mary and her husband, Kevin Boyce, live in Cheyenne and have 3 sons, Michael, Tarver, and Patrick.

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Lisa W. Gafken

Assistant Attorney General & Public Counsel Unit Chief

Washington State Office of the Attorney General

Lisa W. Gafken began her career in 2001 as an Assistant Attorney General for the Utilities and Transportation Commission Division of the Washington Attorney General's Office. She returned to the Washington Attorney General's Office to serve in the Public Counsel Unit in 2012 after spending 6.5 years in private practice. She became the Unit Chief in 2016. During her time in private practice, Ms. Gafken focused on litigating trust and estate matters, protecting vulnerable adults, and representing clients in both contested and uncontested probate and guardianship matters. She now represents residential and small business customers of investor-owned utilities and regulated transportation companies in proceedings before the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission.

Ms. Gafken serves on the Executive Committee of the National Association of State Utility Consumer Advocates (NASUCA), serves on the Critical Consumer Issues Forum (CCIF) Advisory Committee, and is a member of the Washington State Bar Association.

Ms. Gafken obtained her Bachelor of Arts degree in Politics and Government (political science) from the University of Puget Sound. She graduated cum laude from Seattle University School of Law in 2001.



Robert S. Kenney

Senior Vice President of Regulatory and External Affairs

Pacific Gas and Electric Company

Robert S. Kenney is Senior Vice President of Regulatory and External Affairs. In this role, he is responsible for executive management and strategic guidance of PG&E's local governmental affairs and community relations. As part of this, Robert oversees the PG&E Foundation and PG&E's charitable giving.

Robert is also responsible for executive management and strategic guidance of all aspects of PG&E's interactions with the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), including all regulatory filings and proceedings, ensuring compliance with regulatory mandates, and facilitating positive regulatory outcomes.

Robert leads teams of professionals responsible for developing and implementing regulatory and legislative strategy, and strategic engagement with external stakeholders, supporting the implementation of PG&E's business objectives.

Robert joined PG&E in 2015 as Vice President of Regulatory Relations.

Robert has over thirty years of experience developing, analyzing, and implementing public policy at the local and state levels and twenty years of experience litigating complex cases in federal and state courts and administrative tribunals.

Prior to joining PG&E, Robert was Chairman of the Missouri Public Service Commission (PSC), where he led a 190-person agency, presiding over numerous complex proceedings deciding rate increases, mergers and acquisitions, transmission siting, resource adequacy, and implementation of Missouri's Renewable Energy Standard and Energy Efficiency Investment Act. During his tenure, he emerged as a nationally recognized leader in public utility law and regulation and public policy development and implementation, serving on the Board of Directors of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC) and as President of the Organization of MISO States (OMS). While at the Missouri PSC, Robert led efforts to institute best practices in consumer education and outreach and to enhance legal education related to public utility law and regulation.

Prior to his appointment to the Missouri PSC, Robert served as Chief of Staff to the Missouri Attorney General. Previously, Robert was a shareholder at the Polsinelli law firm, where he practiced in the commercial and business litigation practice group.

Robert remains committed to public service and civic engagement, serving on the board of the Museum of the African Diaspora (MoAD) in San Francisco. He also sits on the board of the Silicon Valley Leadership Group and is a member of the American Association for Blacks in Energy. Robert holds a bachelor's degree in political science from Hampton University and a law degree from Saint Louis University School of Law.

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CLOSING REMARKS



Judith Williams Jagdmann
Chair
Virginia State Corporation Commission

Judy Jagdmann is an experienced regulator with a strong legal and administrative background. She is currently serving her third term as a Commissioner on the Virginia State Corporation Commission. The SCC's authority encompasses utilities, insurance, state-chartered financial institutions, securities, retail franchising, and the Virginia Health Benefit Exchange. The Virginia General Assembly unanimously elected her Attorney General in 2005. Previously, she served as Virginia's Deputy Attorney General for Civil Litigation, a position that included the Anti-trust and Utility Consumer Counsel Divisions.

Jagdmann holds leadership posts in several national organizations. She currently serves on the Advisory Council Executive Committee of the Electric Power Research Institute. She is President of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners and previously chaired the Electricity Committee and the Task Force on Military Workforce Development.

Regional leadership includes serving as President of the Mid-Atlantic Conference of Regulatory Utilities Commissioners (2017-18) and as the Virginia member of the Organization of PJM States, Inc.

Admitted to practice in the U.S. Supreme Court and 4th Circuit Court of Appeals, Jagdmann also is a member of the National Association of Attorneys General and the Fourth Circuit Judicial Conference. She serves as adjunct faculty teaching Energy Policy and Regulation at the University of Virginia School of Law.

A native of Virginia, Jagdmann is a graduate of the University of Virginia and the University of Richmond School of Law.

CCIF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



Katrina McMurrian
Executive Director
Critical Consumer Issues Forum (CCIF)

A former Florida Public Service Commissioner (2006-2009), Katrina McMurrian currently serves as Executive Director of the Critical Consumer Issues Forum (CCIF), a unique national forum in which state utility regulators, consumer advocates, and energy companies – via a series of facilitated, interactive dialogues – engage in productive debate and often develop consensus on issues that are not only important to these three core communities but also to consumers, policymakers, and other stakeholders. As a result of this collaboration, CCIF has produced valuable reports on energy topics including grid modernization, distributed generation, consumer solutions, smart communities, electric transportation, resilience, and supporting electricity customers through times of crisis (COVID-19).

McMurrian also serves as Executive Director of the Nuclear Waste Strategy Coalition (NWSC), an ad hoc organization representing the collective interests of member state utility regulators, state consumer advocates, other state officials, tribal governments, local governments, electric utilities with operating and shutdown nuclear reactors, and other public and private sector experts, on nuclear waste policy matters.

In these roles, McMurrian frequently interacts with Congress; Administration officials; state and federal utility regulators; state and national consumer organizations; other state, tribal, and local officials; industry representatives; and numerous other public and private stakeholders. In addition, she serves on the Southwest Research Institute Board of Advisory Trustees and as a member of the American Nuclear Society (ANS), the Institute for Nuclear Materials Management (INMM), and U.S. Women in Nuclear (U.S. WIN).

A Northwest Florida native, McMurrian received a bachelor's degree in finance and an MBA from Florida State University. She and her husband currently reside near Nashville, Tennessee.