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Outlook Conference - Energy Infrastructure
Modernization: Seizing the Resilience Challenge*



Significant Continued Energy Savings Achievable through 2029, Minnesota Study Finds

A new study released by the Minnesota Department of Commerce Division of Energy Resources finds that over the next decade, natural gas and electric utilities across the state could achieve energy demand reductions of 11 and 14 percent, respectively.



California Air Resources Board Approves All-Electric Bus Fleet by 2040

The California Air Resources Board (CARB) unanimously approved the Innovative Clean Transit regulation, mandating that all public buses are all-electric, and zero-emission by 2040. The ruling by CARB will require large transit agencies to submit compliance plans in 2020, with smaller agencies submitting plans in 2023.



Pennsylvania Governor Continues to Make Landmark Environmental Decisions

At the beginning of January, Governor Wolf of Pennsylvania signed an executive order putting in place both the first statewide air pollution and carbon pollution targets with measurable checkpoints. Wolf is now starting his second term, and has been working since 2015 to lessen Pennsylvania's impact on the environment.



Nine States and D.C. Envision New Future for Transportation

Nine states in the Mid-Atlantic and Northeast region plus D.C. announced in mid-December a new transit policy, to be completed by the close of 2019, that will limit carbon pollution contributing to climate change and increase investments low-carbon technology.



Daniel Simmons Confirmed as DOE Assistant Secretary for EERE

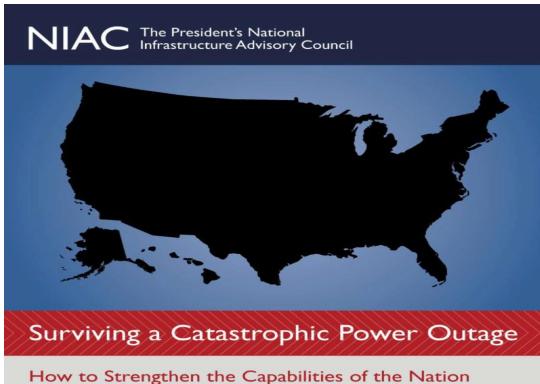
On January 2, 2019, the U.S. Senate confirmed Daniel Simmons to lead the U.S. Department of Energy's Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy. In July 2018, NASEO submitted a letter to Senators Lisa Murkowski and Maria Cantwell, expressing support for Simmons's confirmation.

DOE Workshop Identifies Electric Transmission Development Issues

In November, NASEO attended a workshop



held by the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) to solicit views and information from interested stakeholders on issues related to electric transmission development and siting concerns.



NIAC Publishes Report on Catastrophic Power Outages

On December 18, 2018, the President's National Infrastructure Advisory Council (NIAC) published its findings on the nation's ability to respond to and recover from widespread long-term power outages. The report concluded that "existing national plans, response resources, and coordination strategies would be outmatched by a catastrophic power outage."



EFI and NASEO Announce Major Expansion of Data Offered in the 2019 USEER

The Energy Futures Initiative (EFI) and NASEO announced a major expansion of the data offered in the 2019 U.S. Energy and Employment Report (USEER). This year, the USEER will be expanded to include estimates of job levels in pipeline construction, wages, and energy storage employment.

NASEO Viking Shadow After-Action Report Now Available

On December 13, 2018, The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) released the key findings, proposed actions, and recommendations resulting from Viking Shadow a multi-state



energy emergency workshop co-hosted by DOE and the National Association of State Energy Officials (NASEO) in July 2018.

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Introducing NASEO Affiliate Slipstream

As of January 1, 2019, Seventhwave and WECC, a NASEO Affiliate, merged to form Slipstream. Headquartered in Madison, Wisconsin, with over 160 staff members and field offices across the country, Slipstream is focused on finding new ways to save energy through market-based solutions and research, educating energy professionals around best practices, and improving public health due to cleaner energy.



MORE NEWS AND UPDATES

Introductory eProject Builder Demonstration Webinar: January 22, 1:00-2:30pm ET

Upcoming NASEO Meetings

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

NASEO/NEMA/DOE States Petroleum Shortage Response Workshop: April 30-May 1, 2019, 8:00am-12:00pm PST - Hard Rock Hotel, San Diego, CA

2019 NASEO Regional Meetings:

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

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

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

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

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

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

New Director Training: National Energy Policy and Program Institute: June 17-21, 2019 -

Washington, DC

New Director Training: National Energy Policy and Program Institute:Â July 22-26, 2019 - Washington, DC

2019 NASEO Annual Meeting: September 15-18, 2019 - Westdrift Manhattan Beach, Manhattan Beach, CA

Upcoming NASEO Conference Calls and Webinars

NASEO Government Affairs Committee Conference Call: January 22, 2:30-3:30 pm ET

NASEO 2019 Transportation Committee Webinar Series: March 13 - September 4, 2019, 2:00-3:00 pm ET

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