

**The Energy Bar Association
Announces its
Ninth Annual
Western Chapter Meeting**



February 18-19, 2010

**Hyatt Regency San Francisco Hotel in Embarcadero Center
5 Embarcadero Center, San Francisco, California 94111**

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THE WEST LEADS THE WAY: A PATH TO OUR ENERGY FUTURE

As a region, the Western United States is emerging as a world leader in conceptualizing and developing energy solutions for the future. The Western Chapter of the Energy Bar Association is proud to present this outstanding program of panels and speakers, designed for lawyers and industry professionals who want to stay abreast of the exciting changes taking place, both in the West and nation as a whole. The wide-ranging program features prominent policy-makers and industry representatives. Attendees will gain a wealth of information and insight, in a compact, focused and diverse one-day session. As in past years, the Western Chapter also will host a reception for speakers and attendees the evening prior to the meeting, on Thursday, February 18, for the benefit of the Charitable Foundation of the Energy Bar Association.

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2010

6:00 - **RECEPTION**

8:00 p.m.

In support of the *Charitable Foundation of the Energy Bar Association*

Panel Chairs: Brooks E. Harlow
Miller Nash LLP

Michael S. Hindus
Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman LLP

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2010

8:00 - **REGISTRATION & CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST**

8:30 a.m.

8:30 - **WELCOMING REMARKS**

Richard P. Bonnifield
President, Energy Bar Association
Van Ness Feldman, P.C.

Frank R. Lindh
President, Western Chapter of the
Energy Bar Association
General Counsel, Public Utilities
Commission of the State of California

Panelists: Kevin Dasso
Senior Director, Asset Strategy
and Planning
Pacific Gas and Electric Company

The Honorable Jeff Goltz
Chairman
Washington Utilities and Transportation
Commission

Michael Murphy
Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman LLP

Fred Ziari, Chief Executive Officer
OnSmart Technologies, LLC.

8:45 - **KEYNOTE**

9:15 a.m.

To Be Announced

10:30 - **BREAK**
10:45 a.m.

10:45 - **NEW APPROACHES TO RENEWABLE GENERATION**
12:00 p.m.

9:15 - **SMART GRID**

10:30 a.m.

Smart Grid promises to change the way the power system operates, from accommodating intermittent renewable resources, to reducing the length of distribution outages, to smart meters that will change the way people use electricity. This panel looks at the implementation of the Smart Grid from the generator to the end user and the legal issues involved.

Across the West, states are adopting renewable energy standards, and thousands of new megawatts of renewable facilities have been proposed. But there are many challenges ahead, including project development and financing, transmission and siting, environmental impacts, and costs for customers. This panel will explore these challenges – and possible solutions – from the perspective of a regulator, a project developer, an environmentalist, and a ratepayer advocate.

Panel Chair: Charles R. Middlekauff
Pacific Gas and Electric Company

2:15 -
3:30 p.m.

**ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION
PLANNING AND GROWTH IN
A NEW DECADE**

Panelists: The Honorable Kristin K. Mayes
Chairperson
Arizona Corporation Commission

As utilities nationwide shift to a greater reliance on power from renewable sources, the timely development of new transmission projects in the right places continues to be a great challenge. This panel will offer a conversation among leaders of the effort to meet this challenge.

Frank DeRosa
Chief Executive Officer
Nextlight Energy

Panel Chair: Steven Weissman
Lecturer in Residence, Associate
Director
Center for Law, Energy & the
Environment
Berkeley Law, University of California

Jim Metropulos
Senior Advocate
Sierra Club

Dana Appling
Director, Division of Ratepayer
Advocates
California Public Utilities Commission

Panelists: The Honorable Dian M. Grueneich
Commissioner
California Public Utilities
Commission

12:00 -
1:00 p.m. **LUNCH AND LUNCHEON SPEAKER**

Thomas R. Sheets
General Counsel
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Phillip G. Harris
Chief Executive Officer of Tres
Amigas, LLC
Former President and CEO of PJM
Interconnection

1:00 -
2:15 p.m. **NATURAL GAS TRENDS AND
DEVELOPMENTS**

This panel will examine current issues affecting the natural gas industry, including the emergence of substantial new gas supplies and their effect on the interstate pipeline grid, integration of gas with renewable energy supplies, and the anticipated effect of greenhouse gas rules on the gas industry.

3:30 -
3:45 p.m.

CLOSING REMARKS

Panel Chair: Carl M. Fink
Associate General Counsel
TransCanada PipeLines Ltd

Frank R. Lindh
President, Western Chapter of the
Energy Bar Association
General Counsel, Public Utilities
Commission of the State of California

Panelists: Craig Richardson
General Counsel
El Paso Corporation

3:45 -
4:00 p.m.

**EBA WESTERN CHAPTER
BUSINESS MEETING**

Todd Johnson
Director, Marketing, West Region
TransCanada PipeLines Ltd.

Roy Kuga
Vice President, Energy Supply &
Management
Pacific Gas and Electric Company

GENERAL INFORMATION

HOW TO REGISTER: All registrations must be made in advance by completing the attached form and mailing it with your check payable to the Energy Bar Association, 1990 M St., N.W., Suite 350, Washington, D.C. 20036. Credit Card payments may be mailed or faxed to (202) 833-5596. Confirmations will be sent to registrant via email if an address is provided and materials will not be mailed, but available the day of the program. For more information contact the EBA at (202) 223-5625.

The deadline for receipt of advance registration is February 4, 2010. Conference registrations will only be accepted when accompanied by a check, money order, government purchase order/training form or credit card information and may be limited by the capacity of the facilities. **Registrations will not be held without payment.**

CANCELLATION POLICY: Refunds will be given to registrants who submit written cancellation to the address shown on the registration form by **February 4, 2010, less a \$50 administrative fee.** The cancellation policy also applies to registration forms that are received and accepted after the deadline date. No refunds will be given after **February 4, 2010.** **Substitutions** are acceptable at any time (non-members substituting for members will be charged the difference between non-member and member fees). Please note that regardless of the date the cancellation notice is received, no refunds will be processed until after the program.

LOCATION AND HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS: The meeting and reception are being held at the Hyatt Regency San Francisco in Embarcadero Center, 5 Embarcadero Center, San Francisco, California 94111. The block rate is \$209 for a single/double. To reserve a room, call the hotel directly at (800) 233-1234 or (415) 788-1234 and mention the Energy Bar Association to receive the special rate. The cut-off date for this block rate is **January 26, 2010.** After that date, rooms can be reserved on a space-available basis.

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WESTERN CHAPTER REGISTRATION FORM

ONE FORM PER REGISTRANT

Please register the following person for the **Western Chapter Meeting** to be held on **February 18-19, 2010.**

LAST NAME FIRST NAME (M.I.)

FIRM/COMPANY/AGENCY

ADDRESS

CITY STATE ZIP

PHONE FAX

EMAIL *Registration confirmations will be sent via email if an address is provided.

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- • \$425 EBAMembers
- • \$550 Non-Member
- • \$175 Government/Academic/Student

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