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Subject: CPUC Thought Leaders Event on 9/22/10: Dr. Peter Fox-

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Hi Shawn:

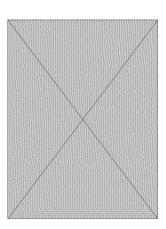
Thanks again for helping make Mr.

Darbee's Thought Leaders Event a success. He made a compelling and convincing argument for the smart grid, and has shown true leadership.

All the Best,

Ted Howard

The next CPUC Thought Leaders event will feature Dr. Peter Fox-Penner, a Principal and Chairman Emeritus of *The Brattle Group*. The Brattle Group provides consulting and



Mr. Fox-Penner is recognized as an international authority on energy and environmental policies and electric regulatory planning and competition issues. He will discuss his vision for electric utilities as described in his new book, Smart Power: Climate Change, the

expert testimony in economics, finance, and regulation to corporations, law

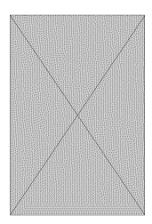
firms, and governments around the world.

Smart Grid, and the Future of Electric Utilities

http://www.smartpowerl This will include business models that reflect the new roles and abilities required of utilities adopting Smart Grid technology: balancing and dispatch of energy across a changing grid and management of advanced end-use technologies for energy consumption. According to Dr. Fox-Penner, adopting and

adapting to these changes will be one of the primary challenges the industry will face for

the next 20 years.



Matthew Deal, Policy and Planning Division Director, will be the Master of Ceremonies, which includes moderating a Q&A session with Mr. Fox-Penner. In order to facilitate the session we encourage those with

questions for the speaker to send them in advance of the event. Please send your questions to thoughtleaders@cpuc.ca

Thought Leaders events are free and open to the public. For more information go to:

http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/tl

Please reserve 10:30
AM to Noon on
Wednesday,
September 22nd, to join
us in the CPUC
Auditorium at 505 Van
Ness Ave., San
Francisco. The event
will also be available
via webcast at:

http://www.californiaadm

To complete a very brief registration, please go to https://ia.cpuc.ca.gov/thtleade or simply RSVP to me.

If you have any questions or comments, feel free to contact me.

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