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### Wednesday, May 31, 2023

**3:00 - 4:00** Registration

**4:00 - 6:00** Welcome to Conference: Victor Glass

**Plenary:**
- **Eric Ackerman and Bruce Williamson:** Tragedy of Commons – Developing a Modern Grid
- **Tim Brennan:** The Lessons from Price Caps: Economizing on Regulatory Information
- **John Caldwell:** Ten Years After: Looking Back at a Look Ahead on the Future of the Electricity Grid
- **Karl McDermott:** The Role of Regulatory Lag, Profit and Incentives in Replicating Competition under Regulation

**6:00-7:00PM Chips and Dips
7:00-9:00PM Dinner and Keynote Speaker** Jeanne Fox

### Thursday, June 1, 2023

**7:00 - 8:30** Breakfast **Crown 3**

**8:30 - 10:00** Concurrent Sessions

#### INTERMITTENT GENERATION
**Chair:** Naga Goteri  
**Discussant:** Eric Ackerman  
- James Kim, Mark Bolinger, Andrew Mills, and Ryan Wiser – Rethinking Financial Transmission Rights  
- Andrew Kleit and Todd Aargaard – Rethinking the Role of Transmission Rights  
- Alberto Lamadrid, Tim Mount, and Wooyoung Jeon – Modeling Electric System Risk

10:00 - 10:20 **Coffee Break**

10:20 - 11:50 Concurrent Sessions

#### BIG TECH AND DATA
**Chair:** Karl A. McDermott  
**Discussant:** Menahem Spiegel  
- Victor Glass and Timothy Tardiff – Microsoft/Activision merger  
- Tim Tardiff – Vertical Issues in Competition, Policy, and Regulation

11:50 - 12:55 **Lunch** **Crown 3**

12:55 - 2:25

#### DEMAND SIDE ISSUES
**Chair:** Noah Rauschkolb  
**Discussant:** Tim Mount  
- Caitlyn Edmundson, Anping Liu, Sean Isakower, & Richard E. Schuler, Jr. – Forecasting Challenges Introduced by DER  
- Adam Farabaugh – Potential Economic Benefits of Smart Thermostats  
- Sheldon Switzer – Future Goals for Maryland Utilities -- Greenhouse Gas Reduction

11:50 - 12:55 **Lunch** **Crown 3**

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#### POSTAL ECONOMICS
**Chair:** Victor Glass  
**Discussant:** Tim Brennan  
- Larry Buc – Unifying Product Cost and Product GHG Accounting  
- Margaret M. Cigno, Katalin K. Clendenin, Soiliou D. Namoro and Edward Pearseall – An Econometric Method for Fitting Linear Integral Equations to Produce Short-Term Postal Forecasting Models  
- Margaret Cigno and Cassie D’Souza Postal Operations and COVID 19 – a temporary or structural change?

11:50 - 12:55 **Lunch** **Crown 3**

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#### PLANNING
**Chair:** Eric Ackerman  
- Nikhil Kalathil – Short Term Economic Dynamism in face of shortages  
- Noah Rauschkolb, Akhilesh Ramakrishnan, and Sanem Sergici – Rate Design Considerations for Utility-Operated Thermal Energy Networks  
- Rimvydas Baltaduonis, Behavioral Intervention and Market Efficiency

### Friday, June 2, 2023
7:30-8:30 Breakfast  
8:30-10:00 Concurrent session

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Discussant: Malcolm Ainspan  
Hung-po Chao and Robert Wilson – Long-Term Adequacy via Options Contracts  
Karl McDermott – Financial Distress and Bankruptcy Risk in the Electric Utility Industry  
Richard Michelfelder and Shweta Srinivasan – Consumer Risk Exposure and Value Sharing from Public Utility Acquisitions | Chair: **Larry Buc**  
Discussant: **John Caldwell**  
Tim Brennan – Persistence of volumetric pricing  
Carl Peterson – The Economics of Climate Change Policy: Carbon Capture and Other Considerations for the Electric Industry  
Paul Zummo – Regulation, Deregulation, and Renewable Energy Deployment  
Joseph William McNamara – Pathways to Decarbonization |

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