

## ECA Annual Meeting – Looking Towards 2020

## January 30-31, 2020

Liaison Washington Capitol Hill 415 New Jersey Ave NW, Washington, DC

THURSDAY, JANUARY 30, 2020		
11:00am – 11:45am	Registration Opens	
11:45am – 1:15pm	Welcome Lunch: What to Expect in Nuclear Energy in 2020	
	The Session will focus on the development of first small modular reactor in the country by UAMPS and priorities for the nuclear energy industry in 2020.	
	Welcome: Ron Woody, County Executive, Roane County; Chair, ECA	
	Introduction: Brent Gerry, Mayor, West Richland, WA; Vice Chair, ECA	
	Speakers:	
	Mason Baker, Chief Legal Officer and General Counsel, Utah     Associated Municipal Power Systems  Labor Kabala Visco President Police Power Systems	
	<ul> <li>John Kotek, Vice President, Policy Development and Public Affairs, Nuclear Energy Institute</li> </ul>	
1:15pm – 2:15pm	Local Initiatives that Facilitate Successful DOE Missions	
	This panel discussion will focus on steps local governments can take to help lead to successful DOE missions. Panelists will share their own experiences from around their site to help identify meaningful recommendations for both DOE officials and local communities.	
	Facilitator: Mark Watson, City Manager, Oak Ridge, TN	
	Speakers:	
	<ul> <li>David Reeploeg, Vice President for Federal Programs, TRIDEC</li> <li>Randall Ryti, Councilor, Los Alamos County, NM</li> </ul>	
0.15	Will Williams, President & CEO, Economic Development Partnership	
2:15 pm – 2:30 pm	Break	
2:30pm – 3:30pm	2020 Agenda – A View from the Hill	
	This panel discussion among Congressional staff and committees will address legislative and funding related to DOE's environmental cleanup, NNSA and new nuclear development.	
	Facilitator: Colin Jones, Vice President, Deputy General Manager North American Nuclear, Jacobs	

	<ul> <li>Chris Hanson, Professional Staff Member, U.S. Senate Committee on Appropriations</li> <li>Sean O'Brien, Legislative Director, Rep. Dan Newhouse (R-WA)</li> <li>Adam DeMella, Majority Clerk, Senate Appropriations Committee, Energy and Water Development Subcommittee</li> <li>Jaime Shimek, Majority Clerk, House Appropriations Committee, Energy and Water Development Subcommittee</li> </ul>
3:30pm – 4:30pm	Lessons Learned and Recommendations for Transitioning to a New Site Contract
	As DOE and NNSA award new contracts at multiple sites, it is important to consider lessons learned from recent contract transitions at the sites. Panelists will address what has worked, pitfalls to avoid, and potential opportunities under DOE's new end-states contracting initiative.
	Facilitator: Pam Larsen, Executive Director, Hanford Communities, WA
	Speakers:
	<ul> <li>Ken Rueter, President of UCOR Joint Venture at ETTP in Oak Ridge</li> <li>Harry Burgess, County Administrator, Los Alamos County, NM</li> <li>Jack Craig, Vice President, Strategic Programs, Atkins Nuclear Secured</li> </ul>
5:00pm – 7:00pm	Welcome Reception: The Dubliner
	4 F Street NW
	Washington, DC 20001

FRIDAY, JANUARY 31, 2020		
8:00am – 8:30am	Registration Open & Breakfast	
8:30am – 9:00am	NE Goals for 2020 – SMRs and Nuclear Energy Technologies	
	Nuclear Energy Office received its largest budget in several years in 2020. NE's priorities for 2020 will include advanced nuclear reactors, small modular reactors and other priorities.	
	Introduction: Rebecca Casper, Mayor, City of Idaho Falls; Secretary, ECA	
	Speaker:	
	Hon. Rita Baranwal, Assistant Secretary for the Office of Nuclear Energy	
9:00am – 10:00am	Risk Communication – A Key to Cleanup Success	
	DOE has learned that effective risk communication leads to successful programs while poor communication about risk between DOE/ NNSA and its communities and states can lead to project delays and strained relationships that can ultimately impact trust and collaboration.	
	Facilitator: Marty Schneider, Senior Vice President, Longenecker & Associates	
	Speakers:	

	<ul> <li>Mike Nartker, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Environmental Management</li> <li>Sandra Fairchild, Vice Chair, Energy Facility Contractors Group</li> <li>Amy Fitzgerald, Government Affairs and Information Services Director, City of Oak Ridge, TN</li> </ul>
10:00am – 10:15am	Break
10:15am – 10:45am	Overview of Waste Management Across the Complex
	DOE will provide an overview of DOE Waste Management activities.
	Facilitator: Kara Colton, Director of Nuclear Energy Programs, ECA
	Speaker:
	<ul> <li>Doug Tonkay, Director of Waste Disposal, EM-4.22.</li> </ul>
10:45am – 11:45am	Outlining the Needs of Sender and Receiver Sites in 2020
	As waste disposition continues and DOE considers alternative disposition paths for the future, it is important to understand the key role receiver sites play and the support sender sites can provide. During this session, representatives from communities around WIPP and the NNSS will discuss their priorities and challenges as DOE prepares to address disposal pathways for some of the most complex waste streams across the complex.
	Facilitator: Darrell Lacy, Planning Director, Nye County, NV
	Speakers:
	<ul> <li>Dave Carlson, President and Chief Operating Officer, Waste Control Specialist</li> <li>JJ Chavez, Councilmember, City of Carlsbad, NM</li> <li>Varlin Higbee, Commissioner, Lincoln County, NV</li> </ul>
11:45am – 1:15pm	Lunch: Understanding EM Priorities and the Year Ahead
	As the election year gets underway, meeting participants will get insight on DOE's Office of Environmental Management priorities and expectations. This session will highlight DOE's successes in 2019 and well as future challenges, and the role local governments can play to support cleanup goals.
	Introduction: Ron Woody, County Executive, Roane County, TN; Chair, ECA
	Speaker:
	<ul> <li>Ike White, Senior Advisor for Environmental Management to the Under Secretary for Science, U.S. Department of Energy</li> </ul>
1:15pm – 2:15pm	Washington Insiders – Lessons Learned in 2019 and Challenges in 2020
	Washington insiders will revisit highlights from last year and make predictions for 2020 on workforce needs, high-level waste, nuclear energy, budget and changes in the Department among other items
	Facilitator: Seth Kirshenberg, Executive Director, ECA
	Speakers:
	<ul> <li>Bob DeGrasse, VP and Manager of Governmental Affairs, Bechtel</li> <li>Mary Louise Wagner, Government Affairs Consultant</li> <li>Tim Smith, President, Governmental Strategies, Inc.</li> </ul>

	John Kotek, Vice President, Policy Development and Public Affairs, Nuclear Energy Institute
2:15pm – 3:15pm	Turning Conflicts into Lessons Learned
	This session is all about turning lessons learned into best practices that will continually be looked to as a guiding principle for optimal site operation. Panelists will give advice on how to document in the most proficient way site experiences to efficiently and effectively communicate and utilize lessons learned in the future.
	Facilitator: MacKenzie Kerr, Program Manager, ECA
	Speakers:
	Carolyn Hanson, Deputy Director, Environmental Council of the States
	<ul> <li>Charlotte Bowers, Commissioner, Roane County, TN</li> <li>Phil Klevorick, Program Manager, Department of Comprehensive Planning, Nuclear Waste Division, Clark County, NV</li> </ul>

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