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L to R: Pat Vincent-Collawn, Interim President and CEO, EEI; Kenny Cooper, International President, IBEW; EEI Vice Chair Calvin Butler, President and CEO, Exelon Corporation; EEI Chair Maria Pope, President and CEO, Portland General Electric; and Paul Noble, International Secretary-Treasurer, IBEW.

Celebrating Labor and Management Cooperation at National LAMPAC

EEl partnered with the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW) in early March to host the 18th annual National Labor and Management Public Affairs Committee (LAMPAC) meeting, bringing together leaders in energy and labor to celebrate their long-standing partnership and advance their shared priorities.

“We are stronger when we work together, and our public policy achievements and regional successes in recent years are a testament to that,” said EEl interim President and CEO Pat Vincent-Collawn during opening remarks that highlighted the strength of industry-labor partnerships.

Following Vincent-Collawn’s welcome, EEl Chair Maria Pope, president and CEO of Portland General Electric, and EEl Vice Chair Calvin Butler, president and CEO of Exelon Corporation, participated in a leadership discussion with IBEW International President Kenny Cooper and IBEW International Secretary-Treasurer Paul Noble. Additional keynote addresses and panel discussions featured insights from industry executives and labor leaders on a range of critical topics, including customer benefits from existing tax credits, best practices for fostering a culture of safety and mental health, energy security, federal and state policy, and more.

Stay tuned for in-depth coverage of National LAMPAC on [the *Electric Perspectives* website](#).



L to R: Ralph LaRossa, Chair, President, and CEO, PSEG; Pat Vincent-Collawn, Interim President and CEO, EEl; U.S. Representative Brian Fitzpatrick (R-PA); U.S. Representative Linda Sánchez (D-CA); U.S. Representative Donald Norcross (D-

PARTNERSHIPS ON DISPLAY

LAMPAC Awards Recognize Distinguished Leadership

During the 18th annual National LAMPAC meeting on March 4, U.S. Representatives Donald Norcross (D-NJ), Linda Sánchez (D-CA), and Brian Fitzpatrick (R-PA) received the John D. Dingell Award in recognition of their bipartisan work to recognize July 10 as Journeyman Lineworkers Recognition Day.

Named for one of the longest-serving members of Congress, the John D. Dingell Award is presented to leaders who exemplify and promote labor-management cooperation and whose efforts have helped to advance the common objectives of the electric power industry and IBEW members. Former Representative Dingell chaired the House Energy and Commerce Committee for many years and amassed an impressive record of bipartisan accomplishments on a wide range of issues, many of which focused on labor-management collaboration.

Read more in [EEI's press release](#).

Separately, EEI and IBEW presented the Edwin D. Hill Award to IBEW Utility Department Director [Donnie Colston](#) for his four decades of service and leadership in IBEW and IBEW Local 2100, and to [San Diego Gas & Electric and IBEW Local 465](#) for their efforts to educate their community about state and local initiatives.



L to R: Philippe Frangules, Senior Vice President, S&P Global; Bobby Hollis, Vice President, Energy Cloud Operations & Innovation, Microsoft; and EEI Chair Maria Pope, President and CEO, Portland General Electric.

CERAWeek Showcases Resilient Energy Leadership

Leaders from EEI's member companies participated in multiple sessions during CERAWeek by S&P Global, which convened energy executives and policy officials in Houston earlier this month. The conference focused on how major changes in domestic and international policy and the rise of new technologies are reshaping the global energy landscape.

Following are highlights from EEI member companies' extensive participation in the conference:

- EEI Chair Maria Pope, president and CEO of Portland General Electric, joined a plenary with Microsoft on the need to develop and maintain a diverse energy mix to support rising energy demand.
 - Dominion Energy Chair, President, and CEO Bob Blue joined a Dinner & Dialogue discussion on the future opportunities for fusion energy.
 - AES Corporation President and CEO Andrés Gluski and Edison International President and CEO Pedro J. Pizarro joined a plenary on innovative financial strategies to further infrastructure and reliability investments.
 - NextEra Energy Chairman, President, and CEO John Ketchum was joined by Alphabet and Google President and Chief Investment Officer Ruth Porat for a conversation on technology and policy support for grid investments needed to meet rising energy demand.
 - NextEra Energy Resources President and CEO Rebecca Kujawa participated in a one-on-one Voices of Innovation conversation, and joined a plenary to discuss sustainable ways to build-out energy infrastructure.
 - National Grid CEO John Pettigrew participated in a plenary on the global policy environment's focus on energy security and economic competitiveness.
 - Southern Company Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer Stan Connally joined a breakfast conversation on the Electric Reliability Council of Texas' latest policy developments to prioritize grid reliability in the face of rising demand.
 - Entergy Louisiana President and CEO Phillip May joined a plenary to discuss how to ensure system reliability through policy changes, market design, and regulatory oversight.
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AWARD WINNING

Duke Energy Chair and CEO Lynn Good Receives Thomas A. Edison Legacy Award

During EEI's March Board of Directors and Chief Executives Meeting in Washington, D.C., EEI's Board of Directors presented Duke Energy Chair and CEO Lynn Good with the Thomas A. Edison Legacy Award in recognition of her decades of service to the electric power industry and her leadership in advancing solutions and policies to benefit electricity customers across the country.

Good will retire from Duke Energy on April 1. Among her many accomplishments, Good served as EEI chair from June 2018 to June 2019. During this time, she led industry efforts to establish an enduring customer-centric focus for EEI member electric companies that prioritizes safety, reliability, and affordability.

[Read more in EEI's press release.](#)



WHAT WE'RE READING

A Q&A With EEI Chair Maria Pope

EEI Chair Maria Pope, president and CEO of Portland General Electric, recently spoke with *Electric Perspectives* about her priorities during her tenure as EEI chair. She shared her thoughts on how electric companies are meeting new opportunities during a transformational moment, all while prioritizing reliability and working to keep customer bills as low as possible.

“The pace of change that we are witnessing is accelerating,” said Pope. “I am proud that EEI’s member companies are leading the way and are moving at new and exciting speeds as artificial intelligence advances; and homes, businesses, and transportation continue to electrify. Our customers are counting on us to meet today’s rapidly growing energy needs and to make America home to the industries that will drive our future.”

[Read the full interview on the *Electric Perspectives* website.](#)



[REGISTER TODAY](#)

Join Us in New Orleans for EEI 2025

Register now for EEI 2025, EEI's premier annual conference and thought leadership forum. Held June 2-4 in New Orleans, EEI 2025 will explore how America's electric companies are working to meet growing demands for electricity and are leading the way to a reliable, secure energy future.

Hear from leading policymakers, innovators, influencers, and tech and industry CEOs—including Oracle CEO Safra Catz and Occidental President and CEO Vicki Hollub, two of our powerful keynote speakers.

[Don't miss out—register today!](#)



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The Electric Perspectives Podcast

The *Electric Perspectives* podcast discusses the latest trends and issues shaping the electric power industry.

On a recent episode, Pacific Gas & Electric Vice President of Emergency Preparedness and Response Angie Gibson; Southern Company Enterprise Data Analytics Director Shane Powell; and E Source Data Science Director Kyle Decker discussed their experiences with storm response analytics. They shared valuable lessons learned while developing and deploying data-driven forecasting and restoration models.

Plus, Ameren Illinois Chairman and President Lenny Singh and Bidgely Co-Founder and CEO Abhay Gupta joined the podcast to discuss the critical roles of grid investments and AI-powered solutions in modern energy planning, and the importance of data-driven insights for grid investments.

[Listen to the episodes here](#) or wherever you get your podcasts.



LOOKING AHEAD

EEI's 41st Annual Business Development Conference

Don't miss the 41st annual EEI Business Development Conference, held May 6-9 at The Royal Sonesta Houston Galleria in Houston, Texas.

This year's conference, hosted by CenterPoint Energy, will highlight key policy initiatives from across the electric power industry, spotlight innovative advancements, and share best practices. The event will showcase primes and diverse businesses, offering unmatched networking and professional development opportunities.

- **“Working Together to Deliver a Safe and Resilient Energy Future”**

Data centers, artificial intelligence technologies, and new manufacturing are driving rapid energy demand growth. During this panel discussion, industry executives will discuss how electric companies are partnering with key stakeholders to safely build and maintain the infrastructure needed to meet this new demand challenge, while working to keep customer bills as low as possible.

- **“Enhancing Supply Chain Security and Resilience”**

The electric power industry is the most capital-intensive U.S. sector, and the ability to serve customers reliably depends on access to resilient and predictable supply chains. This panel will cover how chief procurement officers are working to address the challenges created by geopolitical risks, public policies, and the growing need for more equipment to connect new customers and to help restore power after extreme weather events.

The conference also will include exciting matchmaking and quick connection roundtable sessions to enhance your networking experience! Check out the full agenda and [register now](#).



HAPPENING NOW

Spring Into Energy Efficiency

Spring brings an opportunity for a fresh start, and EEI and our member companies remind customers to keep energy efficiency in mind. Here are a few simple energy efficiency tips to help you save energy and money:

- **Service your air conditioner.**

Routinely replacing or cleaning your air filters can lower your cooling system's

energy use by up to 15 percent. Don't forget to check your air conditioner's evaporator coil, which should be cleaned annually before the cooling season to ensure the system is performing at optimal levels.

- **Make spring greener.**

Proper selection and placement of trees, shrubs, and vines helps lower the heating and cooling needs of your home or business. Remember to call 8-1-1 before you dig so your local electric company can send a professional to mark locations of underground lines or pipes appropriately.

Find more Spring energy efficiency tips [on EEI's website](#).

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