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TOP STORY

EEI Board Announces Drew Maloney as Incoming President and Chief Executive Officer

EEI announced that Drew Maloney has been named President and Chief Executive Officer, effective July 1, 2025. He succeeds interim President and CEO Pat Vincent-Collawn.

“Drew Maloney’s extensive public policy expertise, financial and energy sector work, and trade association leadership will be a tremendous asset to EEI member companies and the millions of customers we serve,” said EEI Board Chair Maria Pope.

Maloney joins EEI from the American Investment Council, where he has served as President and CEO since 2018, building a reputation for effective industry advocacy and strategic leadership, including efforts to promote investment in American energy production and critical infrastructure.

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



FOCUS ON WILDFIRES

EEI Encourages the Senate to Pass the Fix Our Forests Act

Earlier this year, EEI interim President and CEO Pat Vincent-Collawn congratulated the U.S. House of Representatives for passing the Fix Our Forests Act. This month, she issued the following statement urging the Senate to do the same:

“Catastrophic wildfires are affecting more regions of the country, making it imperative to do more to prevent wildfires before they happen. EEI and our member electric companies applaud Senators John Curtis, John Hickenlooper, Alex Padilla, and Tim Sheehy for introducing the Fix Our Forests Act, which will enhance land management practices and better prepare and protect communities that could be affected by fires.

We urge the Senate to pass this important legislation and deliver the Fix Our Forests Act to President Donald Trump's desk as soon as possible.”



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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 bring together leading policymakers, thought leaders, innovators, and industry and technology company CEOs for 2.5 days of programming that will highlight how America's investor-owned electric companies are working to meet today's growing demands for electricity and are leading the way to a reliable, secure energy future.

Oracle CEO Safra Catz, Occidental President and CEO Vicki Hollub, and other energy and tech leaders will deliver dynamic and timely remarks from our keynote stage.

Our thought-provoking breakouts will cover major trends and opportunities in the energy industry, including how America's electric companies are:

- Increasing capital deployment to meet demand growth.
- Using AI and other new technology solutions to help meet rapidly rising demand.
- Strengthening energy security and grid resilience.
- Enhancing supply chain resilience.
- Deploying technology solutions to help keep customer bills as low as possible.
- Managing and mitigating the growing risks from wildfires and other extreme weather events.
- Developing innovative regulatory solutions to help build much-needed infrastructure more quickly.
- And more!

You won't want to miss our opening reception at Caesars Superdome, which will showcase the very best of the city—and the very best of the energy industry. Our

[topline agenda](#) is now available.

[Act fast—register today before rates go up on May 2!](#)



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WHAT WE'RE READING

Why Corporate Volunteerism Matters for Electric Companies

April is National Volunteer Month, and Dominion Energy Senior Policy Director Tonya Byrd shares three reasons why corporate volunteerism matters in the energy industry:

1. Volunteerism shows the community that companies care about more than business metrics.
2. Volunteerism engages employees.
3. Volunteerism strengthens community connections.

Read more on [the Electric Perspectives website](#).

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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, EEI interim President and CEO Pat Vincent-Collawn discussed EEI's 2025 policy priorities, including how member electric companies are meeting rising demand for electricity, the efforts underway to enhance grid resilience, and our sector's role in strengthening America's energy security.

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



INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS

The 9th Annual Global Electrification Forum

Join EEI International Programs for the 9th annual Global Electrification Forum (GEF), held virtually May 5-9. The GEF will bring together the world's leading electric company

executives and thought leaders to further the conversation on sustainable energy transitions and universal access to electricity.

This year, GEF programming will focus on the theme of Connecting Interdependent Energy Futures.

Virtual registration is open and free of charge—[register now!](#)



HAPPENING NOW

Safe Digging Month

April is National Safe Digging Month, and EEI and our member companies remind customers to always call 8-1-1 at least three days before you dig, even for small projects such as installing a mailbox, fence, or deck posts. Other projects that could affect utility lines and require calling 8-1-1 first include planting trees and shrubs or installing a septic tank, swimming pool, or sprinkler system.

[Learn more on EEI's website.](#)

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Advancing EEI Priorities

**Drew Marsh** ✓ • 2nd

Chair and Chief Executive Officer at Entergy

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The [Entergy](#) and [Edison Electric Institute](#) teams recently met with U.S. Senator [John Curtis](#), R-Utah, in his Washington, D.C. office. Senator Curtis serves on the Committee on Environment and Public Works. We had a great conversation on wildfire safety, energy tax credits and permitting reform – all are topics we're actively engaged in on behalf of our customers. [#WePowerLife](#)

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