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Speaker Bios



John C. Anders

Deputy General Counsel – Development
California ISO

John has been with the California ISO since 1999 and has held several positions within the legal department during his tenure. Recently he has focused on regional services, including implementation of the Western Energy Imbalance Market, reliability coordinator services through RC West, the Extended Day-Ahead Market, and the Subscriber Participating TO transmission development model. Prior to joining the ISO, John worked on international electric power restructurings as an associate for CMS Cameron McKenna. He is a graduate of the Berkeley

School of Law, and a member of the California and Colorado bar associations.



Sean A. Atkins
Partner
Davis Wright Tremaine, LLP

Sean A. Atkins is a Partner at Davis Wright Tremaine LLP, based in Washington, D.C., and co-chair of the Energy, Environmental & Natural Resources Practice. With over 25

years of experience, Sean specializes in regulatory opportunities and challenges within the electric utility industry, focusing on wholesale electricity markets, transmission planning, and the development of energy infrastructure projects. He represents clients in administrative and appellate litigation, negotiates contracts and the resolution of disputes, and advises on compliance issues.



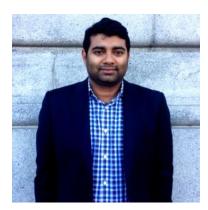
Hon. Judy W. Chang Commissioner Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Judy Chang joined the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission as a Commissioner in July 2024.

Commissioner Chang is an energy economics and policy expert with more than 20 years of experience working with energy companies, trade associations and governments on regulatory and financial issues, particularly as they relate to investment decisions in electric transmission, clean energy and energy storage. She is the former Undersecretary of Energy and Climate Solutions for Massachusetts, a role in which she led efforts to set policies across the Commonwealth's energy sector and align strategies and plans to meet legal requirements for climate change mitigation. Commissioner Chang has presented and testified before U.S. federal and state agencies and regulatory authorities in Canada on topics related to energy resource deployment; energy contracts; transmission planning, access and pricing; and electricity market design. She has presented her work at industry conferences and academic seminars on energy and environmental policies.

Commissioner Chang has taught as an Adjunct Lecturer in Public Policy at the Harvard Kennedy School and served as a Senior Fellow at the Kennedy School's Mossavar-Rahmani Center for Business and Government. She also served as an ambassador for the U.S. Department of Energy's Clean Energy Education & Empowerment Initiative and was a founding board member of New England Women in Energy and the Environment.

Commissioner Chang holds a Master of Public Policy from Harvard Kennedy School and a Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering and Computer Science from the University of California, Davis.



Anand Durvasula
Senior Attorney
California Public Utilities Commission

Anand Durvasula currently serves as a Senior Attorney in the Legal Division of the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC). Mr. Durvasula has been at the CPUC for over 10 years. Mr. Durvasula serves as counsel in proceedings before the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, and Federal appellate courts on matters including utility ratemaking, energy

procurement and market design and associated administrative litigation. In 2022, Mr. Durvasula served as the interim Chief of Staff to the President of the CPUC, overseeing advisory work in the fields of the electricity, natural gas, water, and transportation industries. Mr. Durvasula previous served as Legal and Energy Policy Advisor to President Batjer and Commissioner Randolph at the CPUC, focusing on Federal energy litigation, administrative law, and state policy involving energy procurement and markets and energy infrastructure safety and reliability.



Rebecca Furman Director and Managing Attorney, Transmission and Wholesale Markets Group, Southern California Edison Company

Rebecca Furman leads the Transmission and Wholesale Markets section within SCE's legal department, managing a team of attorneys providing legal support and counsel in matters of ratemaking, interconnection, wholesale markets and compliance.

Rebecca's experience as an attorney covers numerous types of regulatory proceedings. She has managed SCE's FERC Formula Rate,

litigated interconnection disputes and been involved in numerous settlements at FERC. Rebecca has managed SCE's Cost of Capital proceeding and licensing for the West of Devers transmission project at the CPUC and is currently working on wildfire cost recovery proceedings and competitive transmission. Prior to her career at SCE, Rebecca was a litigation associate at both McDermott Will & Emery and Mitchell Silberberg & Knupp.

Rebecca is a graduate of the University of Southern California Law School and has an undergraduate degree from Cornell University.



Verónica Gómez General Counsel and Chief Administrative Officer Viridon California

Verónica Gómez is General Counsel and Chief Administrative Officer of Viridon California (and its affiliates). She is responsible for providing legal, regulatory, environmental, information technology, and human resource services across the organization. Verónica has over 30 years of experience as a lawyer and utility executive. Prior to co-founding Viridon, she served as general counsel and led energy and regulatory policy and strategy at Commonwealth Edison, an Exelon utility.

Verónica holds a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science and in Economics from Stanford University, and a Juris Doctor from the University of Chicago.

Viridon is a Chicago-based independent transmission company led by industry veterans with experience at top utilities, including Exelon, NextEra Energy and Southern Company. Our team has over 30 years of combined experience in transmission and a deep understanding of how to manage complex transmission facilities. We have been active participants in the last two CAISO competitive RFPs, and in March 2025, Viridon California acquired ownership of Path 15 Transmission LLC, an 84-mile transmission line in California providing critical transmission capacity for California customers. The firm is majority-owned by funds affiliated with Blackstone Inc. ("Blackstone"), the world's largest alternative asset manager with over \$1.1 trillion in assets under management.



Tricia Johnstone
Director, Operational Readiness
California ISO

Tricia Johnstone is the Director of Operational Readiness at the California ISO, where she focuses oversight of the department responsible for Reliability Coordinator, Balancing Authority, Market Operator, and Transmission Operator training as well as operations change initiatives for control room operators and support staff. Prior to her current role,

Tricia oversaw numerous initiatives to improve operations processes, and procedures, as well as training and compliance programs. Tricia joined the California ISO in 2007 and is known for her incredible capacity to manage a complex system. Tricia has been and will continue to be critical to help evolve and modernize CAISO's operations.



Anna McKenna
Vice President, Market Design and Analysis
California ISO

Anna McKenna is the Vice President of Market Policy & Performance for the California ISO. Anna joined the ISO in 2005 and now oversees the development of market and infrastructure policy, market performance analysis and validation, short-term forecasting and California regulatory affairs. Prior to her current role she served as regulatory assistant general

counsel and successfully led and advised the ISO through numerous market and infrastructure policy changes, compliance matters, market performance and monitoring matters. Prior to joining the ISO, Anna was an attorney for a Washington, D.C. law firm, with a practice focused on energy market development and transmission congestion management policies. She holds a Bachelor's degree in economics and industrial relations, and a Master's degree in economics, both from McGill University in Montreal, Canada; and a Juris Doctor degree from the Washington College of Law, American University in Washington, D.C.



Scott Ranzal
Director, Portfolio Management
Pacific Gas and Electric Company

Scott Ranzal is the Director of Portfolio Management in Energy Procurement and Policy Organization at Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E). In this role, he oversees management of the wholesale power portfolio and ensures compliance with procurement and other related requirements. Scott provides operational and market expertise in the development of

structured transactions and strategies for advancement in the wholesale electric markets.



Mark Richardson
Manager, Customer Experience and Account Management
California ISO

Mark Richardson has been a manager at the ISO since 2022, leading our Stakeholder Engagement function and team of Account Managers. Under his leadership we have evolved our stakeholder process by fostering greater external engagement and incorporating working groups into our

overall process as we strive to achieve a more stakeholder driven methodology. Mark has worked in the energy industry for the past 15 years and started at the ISO in 2009 as a software tester of the market applications during the launch of the new market (MRTU). Since that time, he has supported customers in their day-to-day interactions with ISO systems, business processes, operations and policy development and has built relationships at all organizational levels across our customer base. Mark's knowledge, experience and collaborative nature has enabled him to develop an in-depth knowledge of the ISO systems, the market and operations processes as well as intimately getting to know the needs of our customers and stakeholders. He is highly regarded by our customers and strives for excellence in everything that he does, ensuring that our customers and stakeholders are proactively engaged and have the best possible experience doing business with the ISO.



Becky Robinson
Director, Market Policy Development
California ISO

Becky Robinson is the Director of Market Policy Development at the California ISO, where she leads the ISO's collaborative efforts with stakeholders to design and evolve its markets. Prior to joining the ISO, she was a Senior Director of Market Policy at Vistra Corp., where she covered PJM regulatory policy from 2019 to 2022 and was elected as the Vice Chair

of the PJM Members Committee. From 2010 to 2019, she was an Economist at the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, including advising Commissioner Cheryl LaFleur from 2015-2018. She began her career in 2008 in economic consulting at LECG.

Becky received a B.A. in Mathematics and Philosophy from Williams College, and an M.A. in Economics from the University of Cambridge.



Pam Sporborg
Director, Transmission and Market Services
Portland General Electric

Pam Sporborg is the Director of Transmission and Market Services at Portland General Electric. Pam oversees PGE's advocacy work on wholesale markets, transmission and interconnection policy, and operations technical training. Pam is an experienced regional leader, including Co-Chairing the Pathways Initiative, participating

in the CAISO's Governance Review Committee, Chairing the EIM Nominating Committee and the EIM Regional Issues Forum.

Prior to her work at PGE, Pam was an Analyst in the Office of Energy Policy and Innovation at the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission in Washington, DC. She was also a Presidential Management Fellow at Lawrence Berkeley National Lab and the Demand Response Team Lead at the Bonneville Power Administration.

Pam lives in Portland, Oregon with her husband, Jeff, daughter, Adele, and a flock of chickens. Pam earned her bachelor's degree from Cornell University and a Master's in Public Administration from the Mark Hatfield School of Government at Portland State University. She is on the Board of Young Audiences, a nonprofit that brings arts education into classrooms and the Advisory Board of the Portland Youth Philharmonic.



Brian Turner Director, Market Policy Development Advanced Energy United

Brian Turner leads Advanced Energy United's regulatory engagement in the West, focusing on Public Utilities Commissions, state energy offices, and other executive-branch agencies. Previously, Brian spent nine years in senior executive positions throughout California's energy

agencies, including as Deputy Director in both Governor Brown's and Governor Schwarzenegger's Washington D.C. offices, deputy director at the Air Resources Board and the Public Utilities Commission, and Director of the inter-agency Renewable Energy Transmission Initiative. Brian played roles in several multi-state Western energy initiatives. Prior to joining United, Brian was a consultant in renewable energy policy and planning, and a pandemic-era homemaker.