



THE
RAIL-GRID COLLABORATIVE'S
Second Town Hall Meeting
AGENDA

ON JANUARY 13, RGC WILL CONVENE (IN-PERSON OR VIRTUALLY) THE SECOND OF TWO INFORMAL STRATEGY SESSIONS ADDRESSING THE BUSINESS, TECHNOLOGY, POLICY, AND FINANCIAL DEVELOPMENTS AND INTERCONNECTIONS TRANSFORMING THE RAIL TRANSPORTATION AND ELECTRIC POWER INDUSTRIES

In addition to informal discussion and Q & A, RGC will present roundtables led by :

- THE BUILD AMERICA BUREAU (USDOT) by its **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, DR. MORTEZA FARAJIAN** focusing on the agency's current collaborative and financial programs), and
- Veteran rail executive and engineering expert **MICHAEL IDEN** (Tier5 Locomotive, former Union Pacific and Southern Railways executive). Mike will explore the state of railroad motive power and technological developments and strategic considerations. (Recordings and any slides will be posted)

For those who missed the December 16th discussion, catch up on the topics discussed at <http://rail-grid.org/Resources>. RGC's approach is to engage in fresh collaboration that helps explain, invent, and enhance the RAIL-GRID ECOSYSTEM that leads to --

- Stronger, more competitive freight and passenger railroad operations and investment
- Complementary electric transmission and rail projects that cross markets and regions
- Consideration of siting and permitting options that enhance grid development opportunities in response to escalating electricity demand
- Expanded access to low-carbon energy solutions, and a sustainable workforce
- Public-private partnerships that facilitate industrial growth and modernization
- Collaboration and communication between these network industries, and across communities, for mutual and public benefit

The February and March meetings will identify and develop concepts for Spring Workshops, likely including New Techniques For Mapping and Synching Infrastructure Networks, How To Evaluate The Economics and Technical Feasibility of Electric Transmission and Railroad Co-location. Lessons for Class 1s, Transmission Planners and

Developers, and Short Lines; Facilitating Supply Chain Step One: Rail and Power Access for Port Facilities

January 13, 2025: 1:00 -- 2:00 pm ET

TO ATTEND ONLINE, SIMPLY RSVP “YES “ for this date (at Hometown@rail-grid.org) and you will receive the appropriate links.

TO ATTEND IN-PERSON, we will need your name and affiliation in advance.

Meeting location: Husch Blackwell LLP, 1801 Pennsylvania Avenue NW Suite 1000,
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