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**Transactive Energy Conference Seeks Papers for 2014 Event; Abstracts due by Sept. 19**

The Second International Conference and Workshop on Transactive Energy will address transactive energy methods and systems for the electric grid, buildings and facilities, and grid integration on Dec. 10 and 11 at the World Trade Center in Portland, Oregon.

Abstracts for proposed papers are due by Sept. 19. More details on topics of interest are available at <http://events.gridwiseac.org/2014/tec/#cfp>. Abstracts can be submitted by uploading them at that link.

The 2014 conference is a partnership between the GridWise® Architecture Council (GWAC) and Smart Grid Northwest (formerly Smart Grid Oregon), with support from the U.S. Department of Energy's Pacific Northwest National Laboratory (PNNL), the Bonneville Power Administration, Portland General Electric and others. Sponsorship opportunities are also available and can be seen at <http://events.gridwiseac.org/2014/tec/#sponsorship>.

Keynote speakers for this year's conference include:

- BPA Administrator Elliot Mainzer
- David Owens, Executive Vice President of Business Operations and Regulatory Affairs at the Edison Electric Institute
- Carl Zichella, Director of Western Transmission, Energy Program at the Natural Resources Defense Council.

In addition to a GWAC-organized plenary session on recent U.S. developments in transactive energy, this year's meeting will also feature an international panel with participants from Australia, Europe and elsewhere speaking about their current use of and future plans for transactive energy techniques.

The meeting brings together representatives of government, industry, utilities, vendor organizations and academia who have an interest in advancing transactive energy—an approach that combines economic and control techniques to improve power grid reliability and efficiency.

A major outcome of last year's conference was significant progress on the Transactive Energy Framework document ([http://www.gridwiseac.org/pdfs/te\\_framework\\_report\\_pnnl-22946.pdf](http://www.gridwiseac.org/pdfs/te_framework_report_pnnl-22946.pdf)), a draft of which was issued in November 2013. The report outlines key transactive energy concepts, drivers, architectures and terminology and, as envisioned, will serve as a baseline document for advancing transactive energy. GWAC accepts comments on the document on an ongoing basis. Comments may be submitted to the GWAC website or e-mailed to [gridwiseac.coordinator@pnl.gov](mailto:gridwiseac.coordinator@pnl.gov).

**About the GridWise Architecture Council**

The GridWise Architecture Council was convened in 2004 by the Department of Energy with support from the Pacific Northwest National Laboratory. As a volunteer council, the GWAC includes practitioners and leaders with broad-based knowledge and expertise in power, information technology, telecommunications, financial systems and other fields who are working together toward a coordinated GridWise vision—the transformation of the nation's energy system into a rich, collaborative network filled with decision-making information exchange and market-based opportunities.

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