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***DOE Announces Membership of New Electricity Advisory Committee***

**WASHINGTON, DC** – The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) today announced the members of its newly-established Electricity Advisory Committee. The 30 inaugural members will serve one- or two-year terms and include some of the nation’s top public and private sector leaders in electricity policy, planning and operations. The Committee was established to provide counsel to the Department on long-range planning and priorities for the modernization of the Nation’s electricity delivery infrastructure.

“To meet our nation’s growing energy needs, we must continue to integrate emerging technologies and implement bold policies that ensure clean, affordable and reliable supplies of electricity to the American people,” DOE Assistant Secretary for Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability Kevin Kolevar said. “The Department will benefit greatly from the advice and counsel we will receive from this diverse and talented group of individuals. The Committee’s guidance and support are welcome as we make critical decisions on strategically important electricity related issues.”

The Committee—chartered by Secretary Bodman last month—will provide senior-level counsel to DOE’s Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability in carrying out its mission and meeting requirements of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 and the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007. In addition, the Committee will advise the Office on deployment of smart grid technologies, research and development of energy storage technologies, renewable energy resource system integration, and new transmission infrastructure to ensure the efficient delivery of electricity.

Linda Stuntz, who served as Deputy Secretary of Energy from 1992-1993 and held other senior positions in DOE from 1989-1992, will chair the Committee. The Committee will hold its first meeting on May 20, 2008 in Arlington, VA and will meet at least annually thereafter. The Committee may choose to hold additional meetings and may appoint subcommittees to undertake certain projects as needed. The Electricity Advisory Committee is compliant with the 1972 Federal Advisory Committee Act.

The following are the inaugural members of Department of Energy's Electricity Advisory Committee:

Linda Stuntz, Committee Chair  
Founding Partner  
Stuntz, Davis & Staffier, P.C.

Guido Bartels  
General Manager  
Global Energy and Utilities  
IBM &  
GridWise Alliance Chairman

Gerry Cauley  
President and Chief Executive Officer  
Southeast Electric Reliability Council

Ralph Cavanagh  
Co-Director  
Energy Program  
Natural Defense Resources Council

Jose Delgado  
President and Chief Executive Officer  
American Transmission Company

The Honorable Jeanne Fox  
President  
New Jersey Board of Public Utilities

Joseph Garcia  
President  
National Congress of American Indians

Robert Gramlich  
Policy Director  
American Wind Energy Association

The Honorable Dian Grueneich  
Commissioner  
California Public Utilities Commission

Michael Heyeck  
Senior Vice President  
Transmission  
American Electric Power

Hunter Hunt  
President  
Sharyland Utilities, LLP

Susan Kelly  
Vice President

Policy Analysis and General Counsel  
American Public Power Association

Irwin Kowenski  
President  
Occidental Energy Ventures Corp.

Barry Lawson  
Manager  
Power Delivery  
National Rural Electric Cooperative Association

Yakout Mansour  
President and Chief Executive Officer  
California Independent System Operator

Ralph Masiello  
Senior Vice President  
KEMA

John McDonald  
General Manager  
Marketing, Transmission & Distribution  
GE Energy

Steve Nadel  
Executive Director  
American Council for an Energy Efficiency Economy

David Nevius  
Senior Vice President  
North American Electric Reliability Corporation

Brad Roberts  
Chairman  
Energy Storage Association

Enrique Santacana  
President and Chief Executive Officer and Region Manager  
ABB North America, ABB, Inc.

The Honorable Tom Sloan  
Representative  
Kansas House of Representatives

The Honorable Barry Smitherman

Chairman  
Texas Public Utilities Commission

Tom Standish  
Senior Vice President and Group President  
Regulated Operations  
CenterPoint Energy &  
GridWise Alliance Membership Chair

Robert Thomas  
Professor  
Electrical and Computer Engineering  
Cornell University

Paul Tonko  
President and Chief Executive Officer  
New York State Energy Research and Development Authority

Vickie Van Zandt  
Senior Vice President  
Transmission Business Line  
Bonneville Power Administration

Bruce Walker  
Director, Emergency Management  
Consolidated Edison of New York

Jonathan Weisgall  
Vice President  
Legislative and Regulatory Affairs  
MidAmerican Energy

Malcolm Woolf  
Director  
Maryland Energy Administration

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