

EPCE: Innovations and Insights in Educating the Energy Workforce

Formed in 2001, the Energy Providers Coalition for Education (EPCE) is a national non-profit coalition of utilities, energy organizations and education partners. EPCE provides its members with workforce solutions through its premier online education, built to address the critical employment needs of the evolving utility industry. Utility professionals meet to learn about online education and training resources that support employer workforce development strategies.

<p>Meeting Locations: PJM Conference & Training Center 2750 Monroe Blvd Audubon, PA 19403</p> <p>Meetings Rooms: Volta & Ohm</p> <p><u>Meetings at this location:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Governance Committee Meeting - Breakfast (Wed 9/12) - Orientation for 1st time attendees - Committee Meetings 	<p>PJM Energy Center 2550 Monroe Blvd Audubon, PA 19403</p> <p>Main Meeting Room: EC-7</p> <p><u>Meetings at this location:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - EPCE Business Meeting - EPCE General Meeting - Breakfast (Thurs 9/13)
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*Note the buildings are less than ¼ mile apart, about a 5-minute walk. Complimentary parking is available at both buildings

Wednesday, September 12th Breakfast provided at the hotel and at PJM

7:30 – 8:50 am **EPCE Governance Meeting (Governance Members Only)**
Conference & Training Center – Ohm

8:00 – 8:45 am **Orientation to EPCE (First Time Attendees Only)**
Conference & Training Center – Volta
First-time meeting attendees will receive a high-level overview of EPCE and its educational partners and offerings
Ashley Smith, Manager, and Ryan Cheney, Marketing Associate, EPCE

8:00 – 8:45 am **Breakfast at PJM**
Conference & Training Center – Stakeholder Dining Room
Note: If you prefer to have breakfast at the hotel, you can meet us at the Energy Training Center. Please make sure to allow time for security check in at either location.

EPCE Business Meeting (EPCE Members and Guests Only) Energy Center – Room EC-7

9:00 – 9:30 am **Welcome & Introductions**
Linda Sechrist, HR Analyst, PJM

9:30 – 11:00 am **Coalition Updates on EPCE’s Collective Impact on the Workforce**
Coalition Business Updates, including:

- EPCE Governance Board Insights
- Online Energy Education Partnership Resources
- National and Employer Workforce Impact Data and Metrics
- EPCE’s Mission Alignment with CAEL
- Marketing Solutions to Increase Employee Awareness

Christine Carpenter, Director; Ashley Smith, Manager; and Ryan Cheney, Marketing Associate, EPCE

- 11:00 – 11:15 am** **Networking Break – *Link up with the individuals from the EPCE network***
- EPCE General Meeting (EPCE Members, Guests, Education Partners) Energy Center – Room EC-7**
- 11:15 – 12:00 pm** **Coalition Greeting & PJM Overview**
Nora Swimm, Sr. VP, Corporate Client Services
Industry Trends
Vince Duane, Sr. VP, General Counsel, Law, Compliance & External Relations
- 12:00 – 1:00 pm** **Lunch, sponsored by PJM**
- 1:00 – 1:45 pm** **The Role of Energy Storage**
Learn from EPCE member PJM about their experience with storage technology, it's role in creating the grid of the future, and the implications to the workforce.
PJM's Applied Innovations & Analysis Department
- 1:45 – 2:30 pm** **Innovative Approaches and Actionable Methods from Industry Peers**
Learn updates, challenges, and solutions from industry peers across the nation. Potential discussion topics include:
 - Leadership Development
 - Generational Learning
 - Socializing Education and Development Opportunities
 - The 'How To' in Implementing Innovative Training Solutions
- 2:30 – 2:45 pm** **Roundtable Report Out**
EPCE Member companies, organizations, and guests share insights/summary of discussions
- 2:45 – 3:00 pm** **Networking Break – *Link up with the individuals from the EPCE network***
- 3:00 – 3:30 pm** **Employee Learning and Development: How EPCE Members Measure Success**
Hear from PJM on a new and creative training program model and how they are evaluating their efforts in a meaningful way.
Dionne, Wright, Director, People Services Center, PJM
- 3:30 – 3:45 pm** **Benchmarking Industry Leaders: Exelon's Virtual Reality Training**
Learn firsthand how Exelon's VR training is providing experiential training in real-time to improve training and reduce costs. EPCE Members have the opportunity to test out Exelon's equipment.
Heather Davis, Corporate Training Director, Exelon
- 3:45 – 4:00 pm** **EPCE Champions: Maximizing the Impact on the Energy Workforce**
EPCE winners share their "magic formula" for being an EPCE MVP!
Ryan Cheney, Marketing Associate, EPCE

- 10:50 – 11:30 am** **Employee Panel – Success Stories**
 Hear from PJM employees whose careers have been positively impacted by their pursuit of additional education.
Suzie Fahr, Sr. Analyst, AAS in ELPW and BAS in Energy Management, Bismarck State College
Rigoberto Milla, Engineer, MS in Power Systems Management, Worcester Polytechnic Institute
Matthew Mossholder, Sr. Security Analyst, MS in Cybersecurity, Excelsior College
- 11:30 – 12:15 pm** **Lunch, sponsored by PJM**
- 12:15 pm** **Summary/Meeting Evaluation**
Christine Carpenter, Director, EPCE
- 12:30 – 3:00 pm** **Hands-On Learning & Tour:**
Tour of PJM’s Control Room
 See PJM’s state-of-the-art systems in action responsible for running the power grid and administering wholesale electricity markets in 13 states and the District of Columbia, comprising a large part of the Eastern Interconnection.

Experience Exelon’s Virtual Reality Training Equipment
 Meeting attendees will have the opportunity to test out Exelon’s cutting-edge virtual reality training technology first-hand. (Note: Members will be assigned a time to experience the equipment)
- 3:00 pm** **Meeting Adjourns**



EPCE and its education partners work together to ensure industry-relevant online education



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