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TOP STORY

Electric Company CEOs Discuss Powering America's Energy Future on CNBC



Driving the News at EEI's 60th Financial Conference



Earlier this month, CNBC's Power Lunch co-anchor and Senior National Correspondent Brian Sullivan hosted a series of live interviews with top electric company CEOs during EEI's 60th Financial Conference. The conversations explored how America's electric companies are making record investments to deliver reliable, affordable energy that powers innovation, drives the nation's economy, and supports American families and businesses.

Sullivan spoke with EEI Chair Calvin Butler, President and CEO of Exelon; NextEra Energy Chairman, President, and CEO John Ketchum; EEI President and CEO Drew Maloney; Edison International President and CEO Pedro J. Pizarro; Pacific Gas & Electric Company CEO Patti Poppe; and Duke Energy President and CEO Harry Sideris.

Learn more and watch the interviews [on EEI's website](#).

WHAT WE'RE READING

Maloney Op-Ed in the Washington Examiner: America Needs Permitting Reform to Lower Costs for Customers, Fuel Economic Growth, and Strengthen Energy Dominance

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Washington Examiner

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Drew Maloney, President and CEO, Edison Electric Institute

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Last week, the Washington Examiner published an op-ed by EEI President and CEO Drew Maloney on the critical importance of siting and permitting reform to build the energy infrastructure needed to fuel the economy, power innovation, and lower costs for customers.

“Modernizing permitting will ensure new sources of electricity reach customers sooner and at lower costs—all while supporting millions of good-paying jobs and solidifying America’s energy dominance for generations to come,” wrote Maloney.

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[Read the full op-ed here.](#)

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The Electric Perspectives Podcast



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PODCAST

The *Electric Perspectives* podcast features the latest trends and issues shaping the electric power industry.

On a recent episode, EEI President and CEO Drew Maloney and ITC Holdings President Krista Tanner discussed why reforming the siting and permitting processes is essential to meeting rising energy demand, supporting economic growth, and keeping costs as low as possible for customers. They also highlighted real-world challenges and the growing bipartisan effort in Washington to advance permitting reform.

[Listen to the episode here](#) or wherever you get your podcasts.

POLICY PERSPECTIVES

EEI Offers Comments on FERC Large Load Interconnection ANOPR



Last month, the U.S. Department of Energy directed the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) to consider an Advance Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (ANOPR) on the interconnection of large loads to the transmission system. EEI offered FERC constructive comments that provide a path forward to bring large loads onto the transmission system quickly while protecting everyday Americans from unfair cost shifts and building the reliable grid we need to win the AI race. EEI's comments were covered by [Politico](#).

IN CASE YOU MISSED IT

Highlights from EEI's 60th Financial Conference



From November 9-11, energy, financial, and technology leaders convened at EEI's 60th annual Financial Conference to discuss shared priorities and opportunities to meet America's energy needs.

EEI President and CEO Drew Maloney opened the conference by outlining EEI member companies' commitment to bolstering the energy grid:

"We will invest \$1.1 trillion during the next five years, and I think that could be a conservative estimate. These investments support local jobs, empower communities, and drive economic development."

Maloney joined a panel discussion on streamlining permitting and cutting government red tape with Ameren President and CEO Marty Lyons and Moelis Vice Chair and Managing Director Eric Cantor. He also spoke with WEC Energy Group President and CEO Scott Lauber about how America's electric companies are meeting data center demand quickly and affordably for customers.

In addition to conducting one-on-one interviews with top electric company CEOs, CNBC's Brian Sullivan moderated a panel discussion on the future of energy and innovation financing with EEI Vice Chair David Campbell, chairman and CEO of Evergy, IDACORP and Idaho Power President and CEO Lia Grow, and Entergy Chair and CEO Drew Marsh. You can listen to highlights from this conversation [here](#).

Read full highlights on [the *Electric Perspectives* website](#) and on [EEI's social pages](#).

PPL Corporation's Vince Sorgi: Wired for Intelligence



Vince Sorgi, president and CEO of PPL Corporation, recently spoke with *Electric Perspectives* to share his thoughts on PPL Corporation's Utility of the Future strategy and how the company is enabling the artificial intelligence (AI) revolution and harnessing AI technologies to deliver smarter, more efficient outcomes for customers.

"AI isn't just the next wave of innovation—it's a tidal force promising to reshape our entire industry," said Sorgi. *"The more we learn about the possibilities of AI, the more we see how truly transformational it will be and how it can accelerate our strategy."*

Read the full interview on [the *Electric Perspectives* website](#).

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From powering celebrations to critical infrastructure, America's electric companies are ensuring families and communities have reliable, affordable energy to power their daily lives.

Our industry is working to keep customer bills as low as possible and meet the needs of our communities. Over the next five years, we'll deliver more than \$1.1 trillion in smart grid investments that will benefit customers, drive economic growth, and help America achieve energy dominance.

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