



Briefing Notice

Transmission Benefits for Consumers and the Economy – What the Numbers Show

Tuesday, February 13, 2018

11:00 AM – 12:30 PM

Rayburn House Office Building Room 2360

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Live webcast (connection permitting) will be streamed at: www.eesi.org/livecast

WIRES and the **Environmental and Energy Study Institute** invite you to a briefing on the widespread, substantial, and long-lasting benefits of investment in electric transmission. The briefing will showcase two London Economics International studies – one study quantifies the future benefits of transmission investment based on two hypothetical projects, the second dispels many of the myths that deter and delay transmission investment. Expanding and upgrading the grid will make it more resilient and deliver increased economic, environmental, and consumer benefits in the **billions of dollars over its useful life**, according to WIRES. And yet, investment in new regional and interregional electric transmission has been incremental and subject to elaborate and expensive planning and permitting requirements that can easily last a decade.

This panel will discuss why transmission should be a major component of the infrastructure conversation and how the economic and societal benefits from a robust high-voltage grid are so important.

- **Julia Frayer**, Managing Director, London Economics International LLC
- **Nina Plaushin**, President, WIRES; Vice President, Federal Affairs, ITC Holdings Corp.
- **James Hoecker**, Husch Blackwell LLP, WIRES Counsel; former Chair, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Moderator

Transmission DOES:

- ◆ create jobs ◆ deliver new energy resources ◆ increase economic activity ◆
 - ◆ improve grid reliability and resilience ◆
- ◆ lower electricity costs ◆ lower consumer bills ◆ lower harmful emissions ◆
 - ◆ reduce frequency and severity of blackouts ◆

Transmission IS:

- ◆ flexible ◆ efficient ◆ high-tech ◆ right-sized ◆ fuel neutral ◆ long-lasting ◆
 - ◆ compatible with market resource alternatives ◆

This event is free and open to the public.

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