



ENERGY PROVIDERS COALITION FOR EDUCATION

EPCE Coalition Meeting Agenda

Hosted by Xcel Energy | Denver, CO | September 13-14, 2017

EPCE - Collectively Impacting the Nation's Energy Workforce September 13th - 14th, 2017

Meeting Location:

Xcel Energy
1800 Larimer Street
Denver, CO 80202
Meeting Room: TBD

Hotel Accommodations:

Hotel Indigo
1801 Wewatta Street
Denver, CO 80202
1.303.623.4422

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13th, 2017

7:30 – 9:15 am

EPCE Governance Members Meeting (Gov Members Only) – Room TBD

Jim Auld, FPL/NextEra; Sheilah Caton, PECO; Steve Gackstetter, Exelon; Kathy Perry, APS; Gary Pfann, NRECA; Mark Palacio, Xcel Energy; Theodore Green; Palo Verde

EPCE Coalition Business Meeting: EPCE Members Only

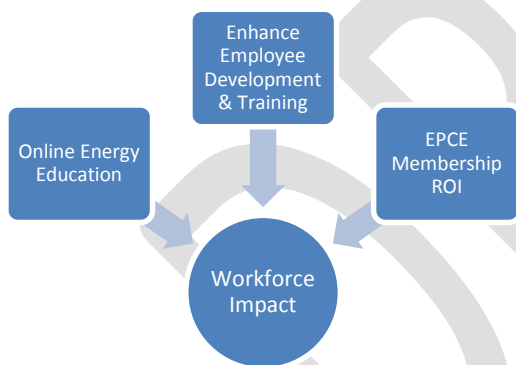
9:30 – 9:45 am

Welcome Remarks, Safety Message & Introductions

Mark Palacio, Technical Training Supervisor, Xcel Energy

9:45 – 10:45 am

EPCE Coalition Updates



- Versatility of leveraging online courses & programs
- Enhancing employee development and training
- EPCE member's collective impact on the workforce: the ROI & ROE for utilities

*Christine Carpenter, Director, EPCE
Ashley Smith, Coordinator, EPCE*

10:45 – 11:15

Governance Member Update

EPCE Governance Members: Mark Palacio & Theodore Green

11:15 – 11:30 am

Networking Break- *Link up with individuals from the EPCE network*

11:30 – 12:00 pm

Maximizing Employee Impact: Learn what's working for utilities

Adrienne Day, Marketing Specialist, EPCE

EPCE General Meeting: EPCE Members, Partners, and Guests

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12:00 – 1:00 pm	Luncheon sponsored by: 
1:00 – 1:30 pm	Coalition Greeting <i>Xcel Energy</i>
	Xcel Energy Overview <i>Xcel Energy</i>
1:30 – 2:00 pm	Employee Development and Training Strategies – What’s Working? Learn about Eversource’s strategies to develop skill sets for key technician positions <i>Paul DiChiara, Manager Meter Technical, Eversource</i>
2:00 – 2:45 pm	Interactive Industry Roundtables: Learn from Industry Peers
2:45 – 3:00 pm	Networking Break - Link up with individuals from the EPCE network
3:00 – 3:15 pm	Roundtable Report Out
3:15 – 4:45 pm	EPCE’s Education Partnerships: The Value and Impact of Education & Training Updates from EPCE Education Providers on educating the nation’s electric power workforce <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Electrical Engineering: <i>Clemson University</i> - Electric & Nuclear Power Technology: <i>Bismarck State College, National Energy Center of Excellence</i> - Technology, Engineering Technology, Nuclear Engineering and Cybersecurity: <i>Excelsior College</i> - Power Systems Engineering: <i>Worcester Polytechnic Institute</i>
4:45 pm	The Much-Anticipated Horse Race EPCE winners share their “magic formula”
5:00 pm	Summary/Closing Remarks
6:00 pm	Dinner – Downtown Denver (TBD)

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14th, 2017

EPCE Standing Committees (Standing Members Only)

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- 8:00 – 9:15 am** Committees provide direction and input into the development, implementation, and continuous improvement of the EPCE online educational programs
- Electric Power Technology Curriculum Council with BSC (room TBD)
 - Nuclear Power Technology Curriculum Council with BSC (room TBD)
 - Marketing Committee Meeting (room TBD)

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- 9:30 am** **Kickoff Message**
Mark Palacio, Technical Training Supervisor, Xcel Energy
- 9:35 – 10:05am** **Employee Success Story – How Earning a Degree Led to Career Advancement**
Alayna Belk, Field Scheduler, Operations, Xcel Energy
- 10:05 – 10:30 am** **Activity: Linking Strategically to EPCE's Online Programs**
- 10:30 – 10:45am** **Networking Break**
- 10:45 – 11:15 am** **EPCE Partner Update: Building the Energy Workforce Pipeline**
Valerie Taylor, Center for Energy Development (CEWD)
- 11:15 am** **Summary/Closing Remarks**
Mark Palacio, Xcel Energy & Christine Carpenter, EPCE
- 11:30 am** **Depart Xcel for Training Center Tour**
- 12:30 – 1:30pm** **Luncheon at training center– Sponsored by **
- 1:30 – 3:00pm** **Tour of Xcel Energy's Materials Distribution Center Training Center**
The state-of-the-art center includes 45,000 square feet of classrooms, training labs and office space to provide enhanced hands-on training in a controlled environment, coupled with concurrent computer-based training. The training center facilitates the training of nearly 200 gas and electric apprentices, as well as more than 1,000 employees who require gas operator, safety and design training. The center includes the following facilities:
- electric lineman classroom & lab
 - electric substation/ transmission classroom & lab
 - gas classrooms, meeting rooms and labs
 - weld lab
 - pole yard
 - computer lab
- 3:00 pm** **Depart Training Center to return to Xcel Energy**
- 4:00pm** **Return to Xcel Energy**