



Navigating the Southeast Energy and Environmental Policy Landscape: Charting a Course for 2017 and Beyond

February 15, 2017
Grand Hyatt Washington
1000 H Street NW, Washington DC

12:00 PM Registration & Lunch Served

12:30 PM Welcome

12:45 – 2:00 PM 2017 Southeast Energy & Environmental Market Outlook

As the Trump Administration takes office, Obama-era energy and environmental policies face deep uncertainty. Yet, market trends that have been a key driver of change in the electricity sector are likely to persist. In this session, electric utilities and market observers will discuss what the most important trends and uncertainties affecting the sector, how these uncertainties are affecting electricity sector planning and shaping investments in the sector, and to what extent the energy and environmental policies of the new administration will affect trends moving forward.

Moderator: *Brian Murray, Director Environmental Economics, Nicholas Institute, Interim Director, Duke University Energy Initiative*

Discussants: *Rick Johnson, Entergy; Commissioner Lauren “Bubba” McDonald, Jr., Georgia Public Service Commission; Eddy Moore, Coastal Conservation League; and Paul Sotkiewicz, E-Cubed Policy Associates LLC.*

2:00 – 2:30 PM Networking Break

2:30 – 3:45 PM The Evolving Southeast Energy & Environmental Policy Landscape

During his campaign, President Donald Trump promised to roll back a host of Obama Administration energy and environmental policies, including “scrapping” greenhouse gas regulations for the power sector. In this session, expert panelists will discuss the evolving federal energy and environmental policy landscape and its implications for the Southeast, including: whether uncertainty about the future of EPA carbon regulations changes utility investment decisions; the outlook for other environmental rules affecting the electricity sector, such as coal ash, effluent guidelines, and ambient air quality standards; and the biggest policy challenges and opportunities facing the Southeast electricity sector in 2017.

Moderator: *Tim Profeta, Director, Nicholas Institute*

Discussants: *Emily Fisher, Edison Electric Institute; Jeff Holmstead, Bracewell LLP; Susan Tierney, Analysis Group; and Zack Baig, Clearpath.*

3:45 – 4:00 PM Closing Remarks

4:00 – 6:00 PM Networking Reception

