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Energy Storage and the Energy Transition

Lumpkins Ballroom, La Fonda on the Santa Fe Plaza, 100 E. San Francisco St.

October 9 & 10, 2025

Registration Information at WWW.NMRETA.COM

Thursday October 9

8:00 AM		**Registration and Continental Breakfast**
9:00 AM–12:00 PM	**Presentations by NM Regulators, Utilities, and Tribes on the opportunities, progress, and challenges brought on by New Mexico's Energy Transition**	
9:00 AM	**Welcome – Robert Busch, RETA Chairman of the Board**	
9:20 AM	**Public Regulation Commission – Miguel Perez**	***New Mexico's Renewable Portfolio Standard Review and Implementation Insights***
9:40 AM	**Xcel/Southwestern Public Service Company – Zoë Lees**	***SPS's Renewable Portfolio Standards Compliance, Outlook, and Pathway to 2045***
10:00 AM	**El Paso Electric – David Hawkins**	***Resource Planning Challenges and Opportunities of Battery Storage***
10:20 AM	**Public Service Company of NM – Kelsey Martinez**	***System and Operational Impacts of Storage***
10:40 AM	**Break**	**Beverages and snacks available on the Mezzanine**
11:00 AM	**Bidtah Becker – Navajo Nation**	***Navajo Nation and Energy: The Endless Opportunities***
11:20 AM	**NM Rural Electric Cooperatives – Vince Martinez**	***New Mexico's Rural Electric Cooperatives and the Energy Transition***
11:40 AM	**Question & Answer Session-Previous 6 Presentations**	
12:00 – 1:15	**Buffet Luncheon Sponsored by Invenergy**	
1:15 PM	**Keynote Presentation – Melanie Kenderdine –** ***New Mexico's Comprehensive Energy Transition Strategy and the Importance of Energy Storage***	
2:00 PM – 5:15 PM	**Presentations on emerging and exciting energy storage technologies followed by Q&A with the presenters**	
2:00 PM	**Sandia National Lab – Waylon Clark**	***Energy Storage Technology Overview***
2:20 PM	**Kit Carson Electric Coop – Luis Reyes**	***KCEC Green Hydrogen Project & Progress***
2:40 PM	**Antora Energy – Noah Long**	***Thermal Storage for Low-cost Industrial Heat***
3:00 PM	**Kinetic Power – Thomas Conroy**	***Carrizo Four Corners Pumped Storage Hydro Project***
3:20 PM	**NUVVE – Ted Smith**	***Microgrids, Vehicle to Grid, and BESS as a Service***
3:40 PM	**Break**	**Beverages and snacks available on the Mezzanine**

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4:00 PM	Wayne Yazza – Governor of Picuris Pueblo James Naranjo – Governor of Santa Clara Pueblo	*Overview of Tribal Microgrid Deployment*
4:20 PM	Form Energy – Mark Thompson	*Form Energy Iron Air Battery Systems*
4:40 PM	Question & Answer Session-Previous 7 Presentations	
5:00 PM – 7:00 PM	RECEPTION – Upstairs in La Terraza – sponsored by: Advanced Energy United, Interwest Energy Alliance, Gridworks, and Western Resource Advocates	

Friday October 10

8:00 AM		Continental Breakfast
8:45 AM – 12:00 PM	Presentations on successful energy storage policies that will work in New Mexico followed by Q&A with the presenters	
8:45 AM	Lynn Mostoller	*RETA's Role in Storage Deployment in New Mexico*
9:00 AM	Sandia National Labs – Dylan Poindexter	*Review of Successful State-Level Energy Storage Policies*
9:20 AM	UP.Abundance – David Ellmann	*$1.6 Billion Available for Energy Storage Startups Building from New Mexico*
9:40 AM	Clean Air Task Force – Nicole Pavia	*Powering up New Mexico: Insights from Other States in Storage Policy and Deployment*
10:00 AM	Sovereign Energy – Mayane Barudin	*Sovereignty and the Grid: Tribal Nations in the Energy Transition*
10:20 AM	Break	Beverages and snacks available on the Mezzanine
10:40 AM	NextEra – Ashley Sgaliardich	*Energy Storage Project Development*
11:00 AM	NM Independent Power Producers – Greg Patterson	*AZ & NM Energy Policy Impact on Independent Power Producers*
11:20 PM	Interwest Energy Alliance – Rikki Seguin	*Renewables and Storage in a Post-OBBA World*
11:40 AM	Question & Answer Session-Previous 7 Presentations	
12:00 PM	American Clean Power – Closing Keynote – Sarah Cottrell Propst – *Energy Storage Policy Framework for NM*	
12:30 PM – 1:30 PM	Buffet Lunch Sponsored by New Mexico Independent Power Producers	
1:30 PM		Workshop Program Ends

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