

## USEA To Hold Press Briefing on How the Electric Utilities Are Managing To Keep Americans Cool This Summer

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summer of killer temperatures across much of the nation is written, the role of the electric utilities will be noted as heroic.

We will salute the utilities that kept the air conditioning humming, but also the staff. And, never least, the line workers: Men and women who must dress for safety as well as the heat, and who have been going up to the top of poles in their bucket trucks to work with metal that is too hot to touch.

So far, there have been no serious outages and the grid has held together when temperatures have reached record highs for record lengths of time.

How the utilities have managed and the lessons for the future of this summer of tandoori oven-like heat will be the subject of the next <u>United States Energy Association</u> virtual press briefing on Tuesday, Aug. 1 at 11 a.m. Eastern Daylight Time.

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A stellar panel of experts will take questions from a panel of journalists who cover energy.

## The experts:

Elliot Mainzer, CEO, California ISO Lanny Nickell, COO, Southwest Power Pool Morgan Scott, Director, Climate Stewardship and Sustainability, EPRI Barry Ingold, COO, Tri-State Generation and Transmission Association The reporters:
Markham Hislop, Energi, Canada
Jennifer Hiller, The Wall Street Journal
Ken Silverstein, Forbes
Herman Trabish, Utility Dive.

Mark Menezes, <u>USEA</u> president and CEO, will give opening remarks. Journalist Llewellyn King has organized and will moderate the briefing.

The briefing is open to the press, members of the USEA and the public. Members of the audience can ask questions via the Zoom chat function.

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