

## MID-GRID 2035 2.0 Quarterly Meeting - Virtual January 25, 2024 at 9:30 am Central

### Agenda

**9:30 am CT Kick Off Meeting**

- [Jesse Heier](#), Executive Director, Midwestern Governors Association
- [Matt Prorok](#), Senior Policy Manager, Great Plains Institute

**9:40 am CT Guest Speaker: Community Engagement at U.S. DOE**

- [Melissa Birchard](#), Senior Policy Advisor, Grid Deployment Office, U.S. DOE

**10:25 am CT Panel Discussion: Reliability**

*Recent [grid reliability assessments](#) from NERC have indicated the potential for near-term capacity shortfalls within the MGA region. States are working within the MID-GRID process, as well as in RTO stakeholder processes and other policy areas, to support grid reliability and resilience. Panelists will provide their views on the report and the near-term reliability of the region's electric grid during a time of rapid change and discuss solution options and needs, efforts underway, and how states can help.*

- [Mark Olson](#), Manager, Reliability Assessments, North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC)
- [Zac Ruzyccki](#), Director, Resource Planning, Great River Energy
- [Toba Pearlman](#), Senior Attorney and Renewable Energy Advocate, Climate & Clean Energy Program, National Resource Defense Council (NRDC)
- **Moderator:** Chair [Andrew French](#), Kansas Corporation Commission

**11:55 am CT Wrap-up**