



UTILITY RESILIENCE – PREPAREDNESS & RESPONSE TO COVID-19, CYBERSECURITY AND WEATHER-RELATED SEASONAL EVENTS

TUESDAY: PLENARY PANEL

MODERATOR

Sharla Artz, Sr. Vice President Government and External Affairs, Utilities Technology Council

PANELISTS

- Jamey Sample, Vice President, Chief Security Officer, Xcel Energy
- Kimberly Denbow, Managing Director, Security & Operations, American Gas Association
- Laura Schepis, Sr. Director, National Security, Edison Electric Institute

SESSION ABSTRACT

Our country's energy critical infrastructure owners and operators are protecting against, responding to, and recovering from an evolving and increasing number of hazards ranging from severe weather, cyber threats, and global pandemics. Xcel Energy, serving millions of electric and natural gas customers in the Midwest, is an industry thought leader on enhancing utility resilience. Jamey Sample, Xcel Energy's, Chief Security Officer, will discuss the tactics his company is deploying for system resilience. This session will also explore how the energy industry works collaboratively to prepare for and respond to crises, detailing the work of the Electricity Subsector Coordinating Council's Tiger Teams, which were established to address issues presented by the pandemic, and the work of the Oil and Natural Gas Subsector Coordinating Council.