EBC Energy Resources Program
Massachusetts Omnibus Energy Legislation
Assessing What Happened and What It Means for the Future

Wednesday, October 5, 2016

Brown Rudnick LLP | Boston, Massachusetts

AGENDA

8:00 a.m.  Welcome: John W. Wadsworth, Chair, EBC Energy Resources Committee
Partner, Brown Rudnick LLP

Introduction: Ronald T. Gerwatowski, Program Chair and Moderator

8:15 a.m.  Keynote Presentation
Assessing What Happened and What it Means for the Future
• Benjamin B. Downing
  Chair, Joint Committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy
  Massachusetts State Senate

8:45 a.m.  Major Issues to be Addressed
Goals of the Legislation and Future Issues to be Addressed
• Jed M. Nosal, Partner, Brown Rudnick LLP

Regulatory Framework for Offshore Wind and Clean Energy Procurements
• Brooke Skulley, Assistant General Counsel, Renewable Energy
  National Grid

Addressing the Impacts of the Large Procurements on Energy Markets
• Ronald T. Gerwatowski

9:30 a.m.  Moderated Discussion

10:00 a.m. Adjourn
PROGRAM CHAIR

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Ron Gerwatowski has 29 years of experience in the energy industry, with expertise ranging from rate regulation, power markets, energy procurement, renewable energy, and energy policy, among a wide range of other subjects. He was formerly the Senior Vice President for Regulation and Pricing for National Grid, where he had responsibility for rates and regulation for the regulated subsidiaries in the United States, including those in New England and New York. After retiring from the Company in 2014, he was appointed Assistant Secretary for Energy in the Baker-Polito Administration, where he served as a senior policy advisor to Secretary Matthew Beaton, playing a significant role in the development of the Administration's energy policy during its first year. After completing a year of public service, he has since returned to the private sector as an energy and regulatory policy consultant.

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

**Benjamin B. Downing**, Chair, Joint Committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy  
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Benjamin B. Downing (D-Pittsfield) was first elected to the Massachusetts Senate on November 7, 2006 and is currently serving his fifth term in office. Senator Downing represents the 52 communities of the Berkshire, Hampshire, Franklin & Hampden District, proudly serving the largest Senate district in the Commonwealth.

Senator Downing serves as the Senate chairman of the Joint Committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy, which is tasked with reviewing all matters concerning renewable and non-renewable energy sources. He is also the chairman of the new Senate Committee on Redistricting.

The Senator also serves as vice-chairman of the Joint Committee on Tourism, Arts and Cultural Development and the vice-chairman of the Senate Committee on Post Audit and Oversight. In past legislative sessions he served as chair of the Public Service Committee (2007), the Senate Ethics and Rules Committee (2007-2008), the Revenue (2009-2010) and Higher Education (2010) Committees, the Senate Committee on Steering & Policy (2012) and the Senate Committee on Bills in Third Reading (2013-2014). He is an active member of the Senate Committee on Ways and Means, and serves on several other Senate and joint committees. Senator Downing is also a member of several legislative caucuses; he serves as co-chairman of the Gateway Cities Caucus and is an active participant of the Regional Schools Caucus, the Regional Transit Caucus (RTA) and the Rural Caucus.

A Pittsfield native, Senator Downing received his B.A. in Political Science from Providence College in 2003. In May 2008 he received a M.A. from Tufts University’s Department of Urban and Environment Policy & Planning. Before returning to Pittsfield, Senator Downing lived in Washington, D.C. working for former U.S. Representative William Delahunt (D-Quincy) and U.S. Representative Richard E. Neal (D-Springfield), before joining the staff of U.S. Representative John W. Olver (D-Amherst). For nearly two years he served as senior advisor to Congressman Olver.

Senator Downing’s family has a long history of public service. He is the oldest of four children (Maggie, Nate and Nick) raised by the late Berkshire District Attorney Gerard and Pamela Downing. He is married to Micaelah B. Morrill.
**SPEAKERS**

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Jed Nosal is Counsel in Brown Rudnick’s Energy Utilities and Environmental Group in the Boston office where he provides licensing, regulatory, compliance and investigative counsel to a diverse set of clients in multiple business sectors.

Jed served with distinction over a sixteen year career in government including senior level regulatory, policy, investigative and litigation experience across a wide spectrum of practice areas. Prior to joining Brown Rudnick, Jed was the Chief of the Massachusetts Attorney General’s Office Business and Labor Bureau and prior to joining the Office of the Attorney General, Jed was the General Counsel of the Massachusetts Department of Telecommunications and Energy. Examples of his government experience include: utility rate cases and other rate proceedings; utility merger approvals; cost recovery and utility backed financing of renewable development; and formal participation in the regional energy market and transmission planning stakeholder processes (NEPOOL).

Jed currently advises and represents clients in energy and telecommunication regulatory litigation, strategic counsel on energy policy and legislation and negotiation of energy contracts and power purchase agreements and other energy development matters.

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Brooke Skulley is an Assistant General Counsel at National Grid where she oversees legal matters relating to renewable energy. Brooke represents the Company on all aspects of renewable energy across the Company’s New England jurisdictions, including compliance with renewable and alternative portfolio standards, development of the Company’s solar generation program, net metering and distributed generation interconnection matters, long-term contracting for renewables and clean energy, and the provision of retail access to competitive suppliers of renewable generation attributes through National Grid’s GreenUp program. Brooke previously represented the Company in the siting of its electric energy infrastructure and handled general real estate, permitting, and environmental matters.

Prior to joining National Grid, Brooke worked at Day Berry & Howard and Bowditch & Dewey where her practice focused on environmental and real estate matters. Brooke is a graduate of Colby College and University of Maine School of Law.

**Upcoming EBC Energy Resources Programs**

- **Oct 14**: Energy Resources Program – Invasion of the Offshore Wind Turbines
- **Nov 29**: Energy Resources Program – Storage, Advance Metering, and Rate Structure
- **Dec 1**: EBC Annual Winter Garden Party