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AGENDA

9:00 a.m. Welcome: Daniel Moon
President and Executive Director, Environmental Business Council

Welcome to Eversource: Joseph Luchini
Vice President, Eversource Electric System Operations

9:10 a.m. Update from the DEEP Deputy Commissioner for Air, Waste & Water

Robert Kaliszewski, Deputy Commissioner, Environmental Quality
Department of Energy and Environmental Protection
State of Connecticut

9:40 a.m. Update from U.S. EPA Region 1 Deputy Regional Administrator

Deborah Szaro, Deputy Regional Administrator
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Region One

10:10 a.m. Panel Discussion

Panel Moderator: Daniel Moon, EBC

Panel Members:
- Robert Kaliszewski, CT DEEP
- Deborah Szaro, U.S. EPA – Region One

10:45 a.m. Adjourn

SPEAKERS

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Bob Kaliszewski is the Deputy Commissioner for Environmental Quality (EQ) at the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP). He was named to this position in March, 2017.
As Deputy, Bob provides leadership for the three bureaus within DEEP's EQ Branch - Air Management, Water Protection and Land Reuse (WPLR), and Materials Management and Compliance Assurance (MMCA).

Bob is a veteran of more than 30 years at DEEP. During that time, he has held a number of key positions that have provided him with insight into the challenges of environmental regulation.

Bob joined the then Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection in 1986, working in water discharge permitting and enforcement. He served for several years as the Agency's Ombudsman. In this role he was a link between DEP and the regulated community and he worked closely with staff to streamline and strengthen important permitting processes. His area of responsibility also grew to include Agency planning functions.

In 2013, Bob was named Bureau Chief for the Bureau of Central Services, with a wide range of responsibility including Finance, Human Resources, Information Technology, Field Services, Planning, and Land Acquisition.

Bob is a graduate of the University of New Haven. He also holds a degree in law from the University of Connecticut and is a member of the Connecticut Bar Association.

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Deb Szaro re-joined EPA Region 1 as Deputy Regional Administrator (DRA) in March of 2014. As DRA, she is responsible for managing a $350M budget and directing 580 multidisciplinary personnel in activities to protect human health and the environment within Region 1, in conjunction with its 6 New England States and 10 tribes. She is also responsible for regional operations including civil rights, ethics, human capital, organizational planning and budgeting. Prior to her current role, she directed the Division of Environmental Science Assessment in EPA Region 2 in Edison, NJ. There, she was responsible for directing and managing a diverse staff of scientists, engineers and technicians engaged in ambient and source monitoring for all environmental media, the generation of data used in enforcement actions, development and implementation of data quality assurance polices and protocols, and the operation of the regional analytical testing laboratory. Deborah has been an EPA representative on many national work groups such as the Forum for Environmental Measurements, where she advocated the use of sound science in all decision making processes. Deborah started her career with EPA in 1987 in EPA Region 1 where she served as Laboratory Technical Project Officer & Quality System Team Leader. She moved to NJ in 2002 to become the Region 2 Laboratory Branch Chief, managing a staff of scientists engaged in the analysis of air, water, soil and hazardous waste samples. Deborah holds a B.S. in Biology from Northeastern University in Boston, MA.

**Upcoming Connecticut Programs**
- April 19 - EBC CT Program: Climate Change Updates – Resiliency, Adaptation, and Mitigation
- May 4 - EBC New England Regional Conference of State Solid Waste Directors