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7:00 – 8:00 am	Breakfast & Networking Sponsored By: 
8:00 – 8:30 am	Opening Remarks <i>Stan Barnes, President and CEO, Copper State Consulting</i> <i>Kevin Thompson, Chairman, Arizona Corporation Commission</i>
8:35 – 9:35 am	Regional Markets: Changes in Regional Markets <p>What are the current developments in how utilities are participating in regional markets? Are external markets impacting how domestic projects are structured? How will utilities maintain control over their ability to meet customer demand in competition with regional impacts?</p> <p>Moderator:</p> <p>Panelists: <i>Kent Walter, Director, Western Market Affairs, APS</i> <i>John Coyle, Managing Partner, Duncan & Allen LLP</i> <i>[Additional speakers to be announced]</i></p>
9:40 – 10:40 am	Customer Perspective: Meeting Energy Demand <p>How is large customer demand shaping the future of power generation in constrained markets? Is the push toward AI going to surpass the ability of utilities to meet demand? Are there viable solutions to partner with utilities and are those opportunities being utilized?</p> <p>Moderator: <i>Michelle De Blasi, Senior Energy and Environmental Attorney, Law Office of Michelle De Blasi</i></p> <p>Panelists: <i>Tom Maples, P.E. LEED AP, Project Executive, DPR Construction</i> <i>Nina Sadighi, PE, SMIEEE, Founder, Eradeh Power Services</i> <i>[Additional speakers to be announced]</i></p>
10:40 – 11:00 am	Coffee & Networking Break Sponsored By: 
11:00 am – 12:00 pm	Utility Perspective: Meeting Growing Customer Demand in a Constrained Energy Market <p>How are utilities of the future planning to meet increased demand? Are nuclear and natural gas key to a clean energy transition? How are utilities partnering with customers to resolve capacity constraints? Is transmission development keeping up with demand?</p> <p>Moderator: <i>Rex Stepp, Director of Business Development, McCarthy Building Companies</i></p> <p>Panelists: <i>Mary Faulk, Director, Integrated System Planning & Support, SRP</i> <i>Mike Eugenis, Director, Resource Planning, APS</i> <i>Pauline McLean, Senior Vice President of External Relations and Chief Legal Officer, Capital Power</i> <i>Brian Smith, Director, Nuclear Reactor Development, Idaho National Laboratory</i></p>



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12:00 – 12:45 pm	<p>Lunch & Networking Sponsored By: </p>
12:50 – 1:40 pm	<p>Energy/Water Nexus & Drought Planning</p> <p>With the vast amount of industrial growth, how is the West attracting more industry? Despite the headlines, what is the current state of water availability in the West? What innovative technologies are being utilized by industry to do more with less?</p> <p>Moderator: <i>Russell Smoldon, CEO, B3 Strategies, LLC</i></p> <p>Panelists: <i>Alexandra Arboleda, Attorney, Gammage and Burnham; Vice President - Maricopa, Central Arizona Water Conservation District Board of Directors</i> <i>[Additional speakers to be announced]</i></p>
1:45 – 2:45 pm	<p>A Fireside Chat with Utility CEOs</p> <p>Enabling the industrial renaissance and meeting the rapid load growth across the SW and the nation</p> <p><i>Ted Geisler, Chairman, President and CEO, Pinnacle West Capital Corporation; Chairman and CEO, APS</i> <i>Susan Gray, President and CEO, Tucson Electric Power Company</i> <i>Martin Hermann, Founder and CEO, BrightNight</i> <i>Jim Pratt, General Manager and CEO, SRP (invited)</i></p>
2:45 – 3:15 pm	<p>Coffee & Networking Break Sponsored By: </p>
3:15 – 4:15 pm	<p>Why Apprenticeship, Why Now? – How to Capture Enhanced Financial Benefits Through the IRA/PWA</p> <p>What are the elements of compliance with the Prevailing Wage & Apprenticeship requirements of the Inflation Reduction Act? What are some tangible examples of the economic benefit and case studies for improving our domestic workforce while providing a catalyst to accelerate our nation’s energy transformation?</p> <p>Moderator: <i>Blair Loftis, Vice President and Sr. Principal, Power Generation & Transmission, Terracon Consultants, Inc.</i></p> <p>Panelists: <i>Eric Buttica, Director of Apprenticeship, SOLV Energy</i> <i>Jonathan Cairns, Project Director, EPC, Primergy</i> <i>Bianca Camarena, Director, Renewable Engineering – Solar, Invenergy</i></p>
4:20 – 5:20 pm	<p>Investing in Energy Advancements</p> <p>How are investments in the onshoring of advancements through semiconductor supply chain, data centers and other industries helping our economy and security? How are these industries handling and planning for challenges?</p> <p>Moderator: <i>Jessica Pacheco, Managing Partner, Horizon Strategies</i></p> <p>Panelists: <i>Mark Bauer, Senior Managing Dir./ National Dir., Data Center Solutions Group, JLL</i> <i>Chris Camacho, President & CEO, Greater Phoenix Economic Council</i> <i>[Additional speakers to be announced]</i></p>
5:20 – 5:30 pm	<p>Closing Remarks</p>
5:30 – 7:00 pm	<p>Cocktail Reception Sponsored By: </p>