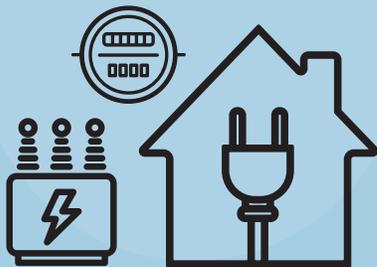


# PUBLIC POWER LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES



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## Support bond-funded **ELECTRIC SYSTEM INVESTMENTS**



Tax-exempt municipal bonds finance more than \$5 billion in annual public power investments that keep the lights on and rates affordable.

Privatization is no free lunch for infrastructure investment — customers will pay.

**Remove barriers to investing in and maintaining electric infrastructure.**



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## Protect federal ownership **OF THE PMAS AND TVA**



PMA's and TVA provide affordable electricity to millions of Americans served by public power and rural coops

PMA and TVA rates cover all costs -- including interest.

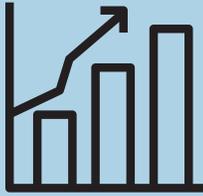
Selling the PMA's and TVA's transmission assets would increase costs for customers

**Congress should oppose the Administration's attempts to raise costs for PMA and TVA ratepayers**



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### Fix RTO-run WHOLESALE ELECTRICITY MARKETS



Regional Transmission Organizations can efficiently dispatch wholesale electricity and keep the grid reliable.

However, FERC-approved RTO rules:

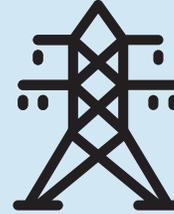
- Make wholesale prices volatile;
- Impede public power's ability to supply or buy its own generation; and
- Reward merchant generators.

**Stop using RTOs to override state and local decisions.**



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### Strengthen partnerships for a SECURE GRID



Electricity is the only critical infrastructure sector with mandatory cyber and physical security standards.

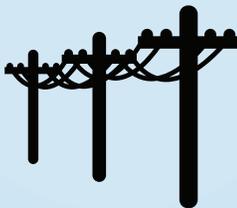
Threats to the electric grid are continuously evolving.

**Enable strong industry-government partnerships to prevent, prepare for, and respond to attacks.**



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### PUBLIC POWER POLE ATTACHMENTS are best regulated at the local level



The Communications Act exempts attachments to public power poles from Federal Communications Commission regulation.

One-size-fits-all pole regulations won't work for public power utilities diverse in size, operations, and structure.

**Congress should oppose the Thune-Schatz broadband bill, which would gut the exemption and impose unworkable regulations.**



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### Support common sense reform in ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATION



EPA has started repealing and replacing the Clean Power Plan and Waters of the U.S. Rule.

Public power utilities are environmentally responsible and care for their communities.

**Public power supports EPA's efforts to develop environmental regulations that work.**