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Agenda

Accounting & Finance Virtual Roundtable April 23-24, 2020

Thursday, April 23

11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. ET 10 - 11:30 a.m. CT 9 - 10:30 a.m. MT 8 - 9:30 a.m. PT

GASB Update

Recommended CEUs .2 / PDHs 1.5 / CPEs 1.8, Accounting (Governmental)

Review the latest changes from the Governmental Accounting Standards Board and how recent additions might impact your public power utility's accounting & reporting. Hear directly from a GASB representative about the changes and get the scoop on what's in the pipeline.

Deborah Beams, CPA, Supervising Project Manager, Governmental Accounting Standards Board, Norwalk, Connecticut

45-minute break

Introductions/Discussion/Break

1:15 - 2:45 p.m. ET 12:15 - 1:45 p.m. CT 11:15 a.m. - 12:45 p.m. MT 10:15 - 11:45 a.m. PT

Thriving in a New Era of Accounting

Recommended CEUs .2 / PDHs 1.5 / CPEs 1.8, Accounting

The accounting team's value expands beyond manual tasks and repetitive checklists. Visionary companies are turning to finance automation tools to increase efficiency, improve accuracy, and decrease risk. Learn how accountants are taking a new approach to be more proactive, focus on complex and judgmental areas, and play a bigger role in driving strategic business decisions.

Cyndi Rollinson, Solutions Consultant, Blackline, Inc., Corning, New York

45-minute break

Discussion/Break

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3:30 - 4:30 p.m. ET 2:30 - 3:30 p.m. CT 1:30 - 2:30 p.m. MT 12:30 - 1:30 p.m. PT

Ethics, It's a Matter of Principle

Recommended CEUs .2 / PDHs 2 / CPEs 2.4, Regulatory Ethics

Utilities provide a critical service to every person and building in their community. This ubiquity of operations means that utilities sometimes face moral dilemmas and ethical complications as they conduct business. Discuss how various ethical principles and standards apply to the utility business, including strategies for keeping the best interests of the community in mind.

Cal Christian, Ph.D., CPA, Professor of Accounting, East Carolina University, Greenville, North Carolina

15-minute break

4:45 - 5:45 p.m. ET 3:45 - 4:45 p.m. CT 2:45 - 3:45 p.m. MT 1:45 - 2:45 p.m. PT Ethics, It's a Matter of Principle (continued)

5:45 - 6:45 p.m. ET 4:45 - 5:45 p.m. CT 3:45 - 4:45 p.m. MT 2:45 -3:45 p.m. PT

Online Networking

Reconnect with old friends, meet new people and network with other public power professionals. Whether this is your virtual happy hour or afternoon coffee break, grab your drink of choice and unwind with your peers.

Friday, April 24

11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. ET 10 - 11:30 a.m. CT 9 - 10:30 a.m. MT 8 - 9:30 a.m. PT

Making Sense of Power Market Trends

Recommended CEUs .2 / PDHs 1.5 / CPEs 1.8, Specialized Knowledge

As renewables comprise a larger share of generating resources, managing electricity sales and margins will become more challenging. Take a look at the factors that will drive the power markets in the 2020s and beyond. Learn which financial power market tools can help you view a clear picture of the overall costs and potential benefits of incorporating a particular product on your system, and review practical examples of physical, bi-lateral and cleared hedging transactions.

Dan Conrath, Senior Vice President, INTL FCStone Financial, Inc., Chicago, Illinois

45-minute break

Discussion/Break

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GASB 87 is Here, Now What?

Recommended CEUs .2 / PDHs 1.5 / CPEs 1.8, Management Services

Due to the unique nature of utility operations, the new standard GASB 87 leases will affect public power utilities more than other government organizations. Join this session to learn a practical how-to approach for implementing GASB 87, hear an auditor's perspective on requirements for meeting the standard, and review issues that have arisen in early implementation. Learn about options for evaluating leases, various components for inclusion under the standard, and how to calculate lease terms.

Olga Darlington, Partner and Keith Simovic, Senior Manager, Moss Adams, LLP, Portland, Oregon

45-minute break

Discussion/Break

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Public Power's Rating Outlook

Recommended CEUs .2 / PDHs 1.5 / CPEs 1.8, Specialized Knowledge

Hear from the premier rating agencies about the outlook for public power and the electric utility industry. Discuss how a variety of economic, regulatory, and technological changes can affect your bond ratings.

William Cox, Senior Managing Director, Kroll Bond Rating Agency; and Dennis Pidherny, Managing Director, Public Finance, Sector Head - U.S. Public Power, Fitch Ratings, New York