

Key Drivers for Electric Utilities

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Planning and implementing actions to maintain the utility's core mission to provide safe, reliable and affordable energy has never been more challenging. The increasing litigation, regulation, legislation and financial impacts on electric utilities have increased the variables to consider when trying to meet a utility's goal. The Obama administration has already begun developing and implementing policies that will affect how the utility sector will plan to sustain its business model. The likely regulation of greenhouse gases, renewable portfolio standards and providing stimulus money to build transmission and renewable sources have already changed some planning scenarios. This presentation will evaluate some of the key policy drivers today and how it may impact the utility's core mission.