

## ScottMadden Discusses Strategies and Policy Considerations for an Uncertain Grid Market

**ATLANTA, GA – (April 9, 2018)** – ScottMadden, Inc., one of North America’s leading energy consulting firms, recently sponsored and presented at Infocast’s 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Transmission Summit. This three-day program featured two distinct events: The Transmission Executive Exchange focused on resiliency in the 21<sup>st</sup> century grid, while the Transmission Summit reviewed transition strategies in uncertain markets. Stephen Haubrich, director at ScottMadden, and [Cristin Lyons](#), partner and energy practice leader at ScottMadden, came away with key insights related to the uncertain grid market. Access their complete summary notes [here](#).

During the Transmission Summit, Mr. Haubrich led a panel focused on electric infrastructure development policy. The panel addressed key challenges in transmission infrastructure development, state- and federal-level transmission policies with the biggest impact on utilities, and what might be done at the state and federal levels to streamline transmission development. One of the primary observations from the panel was that infrastructure challenges vary significantly by region and by state. View additional key takeaways [here](#).

“The discussion highlighted the regional nature of policy impacts on transmission infrastructure development and a general desire for Order 1000 to be revisited,” said Mr. Haubrich.

Perhaps the biggest issue affecting transmission is the uncertainty over generation mix in markets being driven by an ongoing debate over capacity market reforms and price formation. These issues are not only the subject of a FERC proceeding, but also a flurry of activity being driven by the ISOs and RTOs themselves. During the Transmission Summit, Ms. Lyons moderated a panel that discussed the status of wholesale power market reforms and the possible viability of various paths moving forward. Dive into the session highlights [here](#).

“Wholesale markets are facing challenges with resource mix and pricing that were never contemplated when they were established. Resilience is only one of the issues raised by this evolving resource mix – markets are going to continue to grapple with creating mechanisms that ensure reliability while providing appropriate pricing signals to all participants,” explained Ms. Lyons.

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microgrids. We help our clients choose the path that meets their reliability, customer, and regulatory goals, and then we help them implement it.

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