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The **AGENDA**

07:30 - 08:30 REGISTRATION & WELCOME BREAKFAST

08:30 - 08:35 OPENING REMARKS

Andrew Worden, Executive Chairman & Founder - GameChange Solar

Panel Discussion

08:35 - 09:15 HYPERSCALE DATA CENTERS & AI

Moderator: David Lincoln, SVP - Rosendin

Panelists:

Jeremy Teresinski, Vice President of Construction, Qcells USA Todd Coffin, Senior Managing Director - TerraNova Capital Nicholas Bair, CEO/CFO - Bair Energy & Clean Energy Holdings

Stephen Clevett, VP Corporate Development - NACCO Natural Resources

Philippe Pontbriand, Head of Project Development - Ørsted

Fireside Chat

09:15 - 09:45 U.S. UTILITY SCALE SOLAR OUTLOOK FOR 2026 AND BEYOND

Moderator: Mark Gibbens, Head of Strategy & CFO - GameChange Solar Speakers:

Phil Shen, Managing Director, Sr. Research Analyst - Roth Capital Partners

Daniel Cruise, Partner - Lium Research

Panel Discussion

09:45 - 10:30 LEVERAGING SOFTWARE, AI & AUTOMATION IN WORK FLOWS

Moderator: Claude Colp, CCO - GameChange BOS

Panelists:

Armando Solis, VP of Engineering, Americas - Lightsource bp Jason Fields, Project Executive - The Boldt Company Claude Guinchard, Director of Origination - BrightNight

Jason Evans, Co-Founder & CPIOO - ProScore Technologies

Finlay Lewis, Operations Manager, Renewables & Clean Power - Bechtel

10:30 - 11:00 NETWORKING COFFEE BREAK

Panel Discussion

11:00 - 11:45 CURRENT & FUTURE STATE OF THE MODULE INDUSTRY AND SUPPLY CHAIN

Moderator: Natasha Cherenkova, SVP, Supply Chain - DEPCOM Power

Panelists:

Emilie O'Leary, CEO - Green Clean Solar

Michael Foster, VP Supply Chain - Linea Energy

Aaron Kinkelaar, Renewable Energy Segment Lead, Supply Chain - Black & Veatch

Peggy Hock, Director, Utility Scale Project Sales - JA Solar USA

Eric Nicolaides, CEO - Wildcat Infrastructure

Panel Discussion

11:45 - 12:30 FINANCING PROJECTS IN THE U.S. POST ITC

Moderator: Melissa Baldwin, Senior Vice President - Tigercomm **Panelists:**

Izzet Bensusan, CEO & Founder - Captona Charlie Fiechter, President - TNX Holdings Chris Diaz, Co-CEO - Seminole Financial Services Claudia Morrow, SVP, Development - Vistra Corp. Jatin Gupta, CIO - BrightNight

The **AGENDA**

12:30 - 14:00 NETV	NORKING LUNCH
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Panel Discussion

14:00 - 14:45 DC COUPLED VS. AC COUPLED SOLAR+STORAGE PROJECTS

Moderator: Scott Van Pelt, Chief Engineer - GameChange Solar

Adam Bernardi, Solar Business Line Director - Burns & McDonnell

Mike Doman, President & Founder - Doman Energy Andrew Moles, VP & General Manager - PCL Construction

Samir Dube, Managing Director - Heliovaas Michael Moritz, COO - Monarch Infrastructure

Fireside Chat

14:45 - 15:15 THE FUTURE OF SOLAR IN THE U.S.

Moderator: Mark Gibbens, Head of Strategy & CFO - GameChange Solar

Speakers:

Sean Gallagher, SVP, Policy - SEIA

Peter Roskam, Partner / Federal Policy Leader - BakerHostetler

15:15 - 15:45 NETWORKING COFFEE BREAK

Panel Discussion

15:45 - 16:30 OUTLOOK ON POWER PURCHASE AGREEMENT (PPA) PRICES

Moderator: Meghan DeMasi, VP, Finance - GameChange Solar

Panelists:

Panos Ninios, Managing Partner - True Green Capital David Perez, Head of Power Origination - Energy Transfer Nicholas Minekime, Founder & CEO - Sunrise Mountain Partners Nathan Krieger, SVP, Commercial - Sunraycer

Patrick Verdonck, Founder - Verdonck Partners

Panel Discussion

16:30 - 17:15 COMPARING POST SAFE HARBOR VIABILITY AND LCOE FOR SOLAR+STORAGE VS GAS AND NUCLEAR

Moderator: Brian Hartmann, President and CEO - NorthStar Clean Energy **Panelists:**

David Rosenblatt, Founder and Executive Chairman - Arava Power Company

Paul Curran, CDO - CleanCapital David Zwillinger, CEO - DESRI

Terry Warren, CEO - Off Grid Innovations Reagan Farr, CEO - Silicon Ranch Corporation

17:15 - 17:20 CLOSING REMARKS

Andrew Worden, Executive Chairman & Founder - GameChange Solar

17:20 - 19:30 COCKTAIL RECEPTION

The **SPEAKERS**

PANEL: Hyperscale Data Centers & AI

Moderator



DAVID LINCOLN SVP Rosendin

David Lincoln has 43+ years in the electrical and renewable industries. He founded Rosendin's Solar Division in 2009, growing it to \$1.1B in revenue and over 8.2GW of solar built. A SEIA board member, he supports the Navy SEAL Foundation, raising \$4.5M through Rosendin's annual golf tournament. David is also a SEIA board member.



JEREMY TERESINSKI
VP of Construction
Qcells USA
Coming soon.



TODD COFFIN
Senior Managing Director
TerraNova Capital

W. Todd Coffin is Senior Managing Director and Head of Structured Finance at TerraNova Capital Equities. With over 35 years in financial services, he has led major financings for renewable and infrastructure projects. He previously founded Source Renewables and co-founded Greenbacker Capital, with earlier roles at Source Capital, Alex Brown & Sons, and Smith Barney.



NICHOLAS BAIR CEO & CFO Clean Energy Holdings

Nicholas I. Bair, CEO of Clean Energy Holdings LLC, is a visionary leader in renewable energy and green hydrogen innovation. He drives advancements in transportation, aerospace, and energy security through community-driven models that overcome economic barriers without relying on tax subsidies, advancing sustainable and transformational energy technologies.



STEPHEN CLEVETT

VP, Corporate Development NACCO Natural Resources
Stephen H. Clevett is Vice President of Corporate Development at NACCO Natural Resources and President of ReGen Resources. With decades of experience in energy, finance, and venture development, he leads redevelopment of NACCO's mine properties into renewable and thermal energy projects. He holds an MBA from Rutgers and a B.E. from Stevens Institute of Technology.



PHILIPPE PONTBRIAND
Head of Project Development
Ørsted

Philippe Pontbriand is Ørsted's Head of Project Development and a leading force in utility-scale renewables and hyperscaler-aligned energy solutions. Nominated for industry leadership recognition, he is a major contributor to LCOE reduction over 20+ years, shaping strategy, interconnection, siting, and policy across North America's clean-energy landscape.

FIRESIDE CHAT: U.S. Utility Scale Solar Outlook for 2026 and Beyond

Moderator



MARK GIBBENS
Head of Strategy & CFO
GameChange Solar
Mark Gibbens is CFO at GameChange Energy
with extensive experience in finance, M&A,
and corporate development. He has led over
\$25B in financings and \$40B in transactions
across GM, Lucent, Alcatel-Lucent, and Arysta
LifeScience. Mark chairs the CFO Leadership
Group and advises Kasi Cloud. He holds an
MBA from the University of Chicago.



PHIL SHEN
Managing Dir & Sr. Research
Analyst - Cleantech
Roth Capital Partners
Philip specializes in equity research
coverage of the cleantech sector, focusing on
renewables. Since 2010, he has established
a strong reputation and network, allowing
him to stay at the forefront of developments
impacting solar stocks and the broader
industry. Prior, Philip was Research Associate
at J.P. Morgan and Bear Stearns.



DANIEL CRUISE
Partner
Lium Research
Daniel Cruise, partner at Lium Research, leads renewables and utility-scale solar market analysis for institutional investors. With nearly 20 years in energy finance, he oversees proprietary datasets and quantamental insights. Previously, he founded Coras Research and worked as both a Wall Street publishing analyst and hedge fund analyst.

PANEL: Leveraging Software, AI & Automation in Work Flows

Moderator



CLAUDE COLP
Chief Commercial Officer
GameChange BOS
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Claude Colp has over 15 years in renewable energy, specializing in systems integration and NEC code compliance. With expertise in electrical engineering, construction, and power electronics, he enhances GameChange customers' projects. Previously, he cofounded and grew one of New England's most successful commercial and industrial solar development companies.



ARMANDO SOLIS

VP of Engineering, Americas **Lightsource bp**Armando joined Lightsource bp in 2019 with 14+ years in utility-scale solar across 10+ countries and 5 GW projects. He currently leads the USA's engineering team. Solis previously held positions at Adapture Renewables and Qcells. He holds a degree in Mechanical Engineering from Stanford University.



JASON FIELDS
Project Executive
The Boldt Company

Experienced project executive with 18+ years in renewable energy, delivering over 2 GW of utility-scale solar across North America. Skilled in full project lifecycle management, team leadership, and stakeholder engagement. Passionate about sustainable infrastructure, driving strategic execution and operational excellence to create long-term value for clients and communities.



CLAUDE GUINCHARD Director of Origination BrightNight

Claude Guinchard is Director of Origination at BrightNight, where he blends technical and commercial expertise to craft innovative, low-carbon power solutions. With experience spanning natural gas, retail energy, and renewables, he structures customized energy agreements for diverse industries. Previously at AES, he advanced market expansion across major U.S. power markets.



JASON EVANS Co-Founder & CPIOO **ProScore Technologies**

Jason Evans is Chief Innovation Officer and Co-Founder of ProScore Technologies, where he leads Al-driven innovation for the construction and renewable energy industries. His work addresses complex workforce challenges—from compliance and classification to training, ratio management, and skills development—bridging technology, data, and policy to modernize how projects achieve readiness and compliance at scale.



FINLAY LEWIS
Operations Manager,
Renewables & Clean Power

During his 22 years with Bechtel, Finlay has held diverse roles across multiple business areas and project teams. He joined Renewables as the Manager of Pre-Construction. In 2025, he became Operations Manager for US Renewables overseeing all renewables projects in execution, development, and project development.

PANEL: Current and Future State of the Module Industry and Supply Chain

Moderator



NATASHA CHERENKOVA SVP, Supply Chain **DEPCOM Power** Natasha is SVP of Supply Chain at DEPCOM

Natasha is SVP of Supply Chain at DEPCOM Power Inc., with over 20 years of international B2B experience. She has held diverse leadership roles in supply chain, execution, and commercial management across the oil, gas, and solar energy industries, leading corporate and business strategy.



EMILIE O'LEARY
Chief Executive Officer
Green Clean Solar

Emilie Oxel O'Leary, CEO of Green Clean Solar, leads nationwide efforts in solar and wind recycling, decommissioning, and landfill diversion. Named a Top 50 Most Powerful Woman in Atlanta by ATL Plus Magazine, she is a sought-after speaker and author of Megawatts to Mega Recycling.



MICHAEL FOSTER
VP Supply Chain
Linea Energy

Michael Foster is Vice President of Supply Chain at Linea Energy, a utility-scale solar, wind, and storage developer backed by EnCap. He leads EPC, BESS, solar, and wind sourcing and partnerships for major equipment. Since 2009, he has held supply chain and EPC leadership roles at Avantus, Origis, Sempra, and SDG&E.



AARON KINKELAAR

Renewable Energy Segment Lead - Supply Chain Black & Veatch

Aaron Kinkelaar has 12 years of supply chain experience with Black & Veatch, and over 25 years of experience in supply chain. At Black & Veatch, Aaron has supported water designbuild and renewable energy EPC projects and programs from the proposal stage to warranty. Aaron is also a member of the Black & Veatch Solar Innovation Team.



PEGGY HOCK

Director, Utility Scale Project Sales

JA Solar USA

A solar energy leader with over 20 years work in renewables, Peggy's extensive experience in PV includes: utility scale sales and business development (modules and trackers); project development; finance and contract negotiations while holding key positions with leading corporations such as JA Solar USA, LONGi Solar Technologies, Gestamp, Solar FlexRack, Valmont, and Unisolar.



ERIC NICOLAIDES

Chief Executive Officer
Wildcat Infrastructure
Eric Nicolaides is Chairman and Group Chief

Executive of Wildcat Equity Partners, where he has built a vertically integrated investment firm with global reach. With over 20 years of experience across infrastructure, renewable energy, healthcare, and private equity, he is recognized for driving strategic growth across the U.S., India, and the Middle East.

PANEL: Financing Projects in the U.S. Post ITC

Moderator



MELISSA BALDWIN Senior Vice President **Tigercomm**

Melissa Baldwin is Senior Vice President at Tigercomm, the nation's top clean energy communications firm. With over 20 years of experience in climate and cleantech PR, she drives strategy for clients in solar, storage, and grid technology. Baldwin is also the host of Scaling Clean, the podcast for cleantech CEOs, investors, and the people who advise them.



IZZET BENSUSAN CEO & Founder Captona

Izzet Bensusan is Founder & CEO of Captona, an Energy Transition investment firm specializing in solar, wind, storage, and next-gen power assets. He also founded Karbone, an awardwinning energy finance firm. He holds an MBA from Columbia University and BA/MA degrees from Brandeis University.



CHARLIE FIECHTER

President **TNX Holdings**

Charlie leads TNX Holdings. He has developed/owned ~2 GW of renewable energy projects across the U.S., India and Mexico. TNX has built a domestic solar module factory to supply project pipeline and is now developing site-connected data center assets. Charlie holds advanced degrees from Yale and Duke and holds seven U.S. patents.



CHRIS DIAZ
Co-CEO
Seminole Financial

Chris Diaz is Co-CEO of Seminole Financial Services, overseeing Capital Raise, Investor Relations, and Business Development. Since 2009, Seminole has financed over \$3 billion in solar and wind projects nationwide. A frequent industry speaker, Chris serves on the boards of SEIA, RE+ Events, and the Distributed Wind Energy Association.



CLAUDIA MORROW SVP, Development Vistra Corp.

Claudia J. Morrow is SVP of Corporate Development at Vistra Corp., an integrated energy company serving nearly 5 million customers nationwide. She oversees an 8+GW development pipeline spanning gas, solar, and storage projects. Since joining Vistra in 2001, she has led initiatives in origination, pricing, risk management, and structuring.



JATIN GUPTA
Chief Information Officer
BrightNight

Jatin has over 20 years of investment experience in renewable energy and infrastructure. Before joining BrightNight, he was Managing Director at Rubicon Capital Advisors and previously Senior Vice President at GE Energy Financial Services, where he led over \$5B in investments across power, renewables, and oil and gas sectors.

PANEL: DC Coupled vs. AC Coupled Solar+Storage Projects

Moderator



SCOTT VAN PELT Chief Engineer GameChange Solar

Scott leads the customer-facing engineering team at GameChange Solar, ensuring the accuracy and timeliness of all technical deliverables. A licensed Professional Engineer in over 20 states, he has served as Structural Engineer of Record for 10 GW of solar projects. He also contributes to UL and IEC solar standards committees.



ADAM BERNARDI

Solar Business Line Director **Burns & McDonnell**Adam leads the Solar Business Line at Burns & McDonnell, a leading EPC firm. With over 3.6 GW of solar projects completed or underway nationwide, he drives large-scale renewable success. He holds a B.S. in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Illinois at Chicago and an MBA in Finance from the University of Texas at Dallas.



MIKE DOMAN
President & Founder
Doman Energy

Mike's experience in Renewable Business spans 26 years. He ran the North American Distribution of PV Modules for both Siemen's Solar and Shell Solar that helped some of the largest solar companies today get started. For 16 years he's been the founder & CEO of Doman Energy dedicated to utility scale solar and BESS.



ANDREW MOLES VP & General Manager PCL Construction

Andrew leads solar and energy storage projects across Canada, the U.S. and Australia. With 18 years at PCL, he champions a bold vision for renewable energy, empowering the next generation of EPC leaders and growing a sustainable impact across two continents — all while uplifting the communities PCL serves.



SAMIR DUBE Managing Director Heliovaas

Samir co-founded Heliovaas, a vertically integrated IPP that acquires projects early or late stage and develops, constructs, finances, owns and operates utility-scale PV & BESS plants. He has been involved in over \$650 million of successfully deployed Renewable Assets; Prior he was involved in over \$60 billion in municipal bond underwritings.



MICHAEL MORITZ
Chief Operating Officer
Monarch Infrastructure

Michael Moritz is COO of Monarch Infrastructure, a renewables developer focused on acquiring early stage development assets and positioning them for success in a post-tax credit environment. He is also a partner at Plains Power, a developer that deploys energy storage at existing community solar and DG portfolios.

FIRESIDE CHAT: The Future of Solar in the U.S.

Moderator



MARK GIBBENS Head of Strategy & CFO GameChange Solar

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SEAN GALLAGHER
Senior Vice President of Policy
SEIA

Sean Gallagher is SEIA's Senior Vice President of Policy where he oversees all of SEIA's policy work in states nationwide, as well as the organization's federal legislative and regulatory policy efforts. Previously he served as an executive for firms developing utility scale solar power projects, including supporting the first utility scale solar plant developed on an Indian reservation in the U.S.



PETER ROSKAM
Partner / Federal Policy Leader
BakerHostetler

Peter Roskam served in the U.S. House of Representatives for twelve years (2007-2019) where he was appointed to the Congressional Leadership and chaired three subcommittees of the Ways and Means Committee. Today he is a partner at BakerHostetler where he leads the Federal Policy Team.

PANEL: Outlook on Power Purchase Agreement Prices

Moderator



WEGHAN DEMASI
VP, Finance
GameChange Solar
Meghan DeMasi has been Vice President
of Finance since February 2021. She is an
experienced leader in financial accounting,
regulatory compliance, and governance, with
over \$10B in transaction experience at Covia,
Arch Chemicals, and KPMG. She holds a B.S.
in Accounting from Fairfield University and is

a licensed CPA in Connecticut.



PANOS NINIOS
Managing Partner
True Green Capital
Panos Ninios is a Co-Founder and Managing
Partner of True Green Capital Management
LLC ("TGC"). He is primarily responsible
for defining the firm's investment strategy,
portfolio management, risk management and
capital strategy. Panos is the Chairman of
the Investment Committee and contributes
decades of experience investing in renewable
energy markets



DAVID PEREZ
Head of Power Origination
Energy Transfer
David joined ETC – Endure Energy in
2012 to lead power origination, focusing
on structured deals in U.S. power and
natural gas markets. With nearly 30 years
of experience, he previously held roles at
NextEra, Citigroup, Deutsche Bank, and Louis
Dreyfus. He holds a B.A. from Benedictine
College and a J.D. from Creighton University.



NICHOLAS MINEKIME
Founder & CEO
Sunrise Mountain Partners
Nicholas Minekime is the Founder & CEO
of Sunrise Mountain Partners and has
developed over 50 solar projects across
16 states. Previously a Managing Director
at Altus Power and a leader at True
Green Capital, he has helped build major
community solar portfolios. He lives in
Connecticut with his family and enjoys cycling
and gardening.



Sunraycer
Nathan has 16 years of renewables
experience, focused on the commercial
and development functions. He has been
involved in ~5 GW of project development
activities across the United States. Prior to
Sunraycer, Nathan has spent time with 174
Power Global, Zelestra, and others. Nathan
is a graduate of Lehigh University (BSIE) and
the University of Pittsburgh (MBA).

NATHAN KRIEGER

SVP - Commercial



PATRICK VERDONCK
Founder
Verdonck Partners
Patrick Verdonck is the founder of
Verdonck Partners, advising investors and
energy developers on due diligence, asset
management, and project structuring. He
also founded Rhynland Energy, a battery
storage developer. Previously, he spent
nearly a decade with Starwood Capital's
Energy Group, focusing on power and
renewable investments.

PANEL: Comparing Post Safe Harbor Viability and LCOE for Solar+Storage vs Gas and Nuclear

Moderator



BRIAN HARTMANN
President and CEO
NorthStar Clean Energy
Brian Hartmann is President of NorthStar
Clean Energy, a wholly owned subsidiary of
CMS Energy. NorthStar owns and operates
over 2,000 megawatts of generating
capacity across the United States with 1,000
megawatts in active development and
construction. NorthStar's asset base includes
gas, biomass, solar, wind, and storage.



DAVID ROSENBLATT
Founder & Executive
Chairman
Arava Power Company
David Rosenblatt is Founder of Arava Power
Company, with global experience scaling
energy and technology companies. He's led
renewables projects in Israel, Africa, and the
U.S. He holds an MBA from Harvard, a JD from
Northwestern, and a BS from Penn State.



Chief Development Officer CleanCapital
Paul Curran is Chief Development Officer at CleanCapital and founder of BQ Energy, acquired by CleanCapital in 2022. A pioneer in developing renewable projects on landfills and brownfields, he focuses on bringing clean energy to LMI communities. He holds

an engineering degree from Columbia and an

PAUL CURRAN

MBA from Marist College.

TERRY WARREN



DESRI
David Zwillinger is the CEO of D. E. Shaw
Renewable Investments ("DESRI"). Mr.
Zwillinger has been focused on DESRI since
2012. DESRI is a market-leading owner and
operator of renewable energy projects across
the US that acquires, develops, owns, operates
or has contracted more than 8 GW of capacity
among a portfolio of over 65 renewable energy
projects.

DAVID ZWILLINGER

CEO & Co-Founder



Chief Executive Officer
Off Grid Innovations
As CEO of Off Grid Innovations, TJ Warren
drives projects from utility-scale solar farms to
transmission and distribution developments.
He also leads InfraSale.com, a first-of-its-kind
marketplace and developer connecting data
center stakeholders. InfraSale is advancing a
100 MW Virginia project with onsite natural
gas and an 800 MW behind-the-meter
pipeline.



REAGAN FARR
Chief Executive Officer
Silicon Ranch Corporation
Reagan Farr co-founded Silicon Ranch, a
leading U.S. solar developer, owner, and
operator. Through its Regenerative Energy®
agribusiness, Silicon Ranch owns and
operates the nation's largest agrivoltaics
portfolio. Previously, Reagan served as
Tennessee's Revenue Commissioner, an
experience that yielded valuable public
service perspective to his leadership in the
renewable energy sector.