

Preliminary Agenda – 2026 Energy Innovations: LDC Gas Forums Rockies & West

<u>Monday, Aug. 10, 2026</u>	<u>Session name, description and speakers</u>
3:00 pm – 3:20 pm	Networking with the Industry: Registration
3:20 pm – 3:30 pm	Welcome & Overview: Christy Coleman , <i>Vice President</i> , LDC Gas Forums
3:30 pm – 4:00 pm	Opening Remarks/Welcome: Powering Progress - Energy, Infrastructure and Opportunity Doug Way, General Manager, West Trading & Origination for Shell Energy, welcomes attendees to San Diego and shares perspectives on the energy evolution, growing demand and opportunities across Western energy markets, the critical role of natural gas, and the collaboration needed to support the next generation of energy infrastructure. Speaker: Doug Way , <i>General Manager, Gas & Power Trading</i> , Shell Energy North America
4:00 pm – 6:00 pm	Monday Evening Welcome Reception (Location: Palm Terrace - 6th Floor)
<u>Tuesday, August 11, 2026</u>	
7:00 am - 8:00 am	Networking with the Industry: Registration and Continental Breakfast
8:00 am - 8:15 am	Welcome & Overview: Christy Coleman , <i>Vice President</i> , LDC Gas Forums
8:15 am - 9:30 am	Keynote Breakfast Roundtable: Midstream Matters: Optimizing Movement/Storage of Gas to Markets. Anticipating Evolving Flow Patterns. Overcoming Constraints This Roundtable Discussion includes seasoned experts representing two of the largest interstate natural gas pipeline operators in North America, as well as a significant independent natural gas storage operator. Representatives will provide opening remarks, with their specific perspectives, followed by a wide-ranging discussion facilitated by our Moderator, including Q&A with the Audience. Discussion topics will include: •Current market conditions, from a midstream perspective •Evolving flow patterns •Interstate, intrastate, and storage developments •Specific project updates •Overcoming new development constraints & regulatory developments (incl. permitting reform) •Opportunities to leverage storage to optimize midstream operations •M&A •Policy developments and implications

	Moderator: Ken Diel, <i>Director, US West Wholesale Origination, NRG</i> Speakers: Joseph Hulse, <i>Vice President, Western Interstates Commercial, Williams</i> Daniel Tygret, <i>Director-Commercial, Kinder Morgan, Inc.</i> Scott Smith, <i>CEO, Bear River Midstream</i>
9:30 am – 10:30 am	Panel: By the numbers: Rockies and West Market Update & Analysis - Fundamentals; Supply/Demand; Influences; Insight; Interpretation; Forecasts, and Takeaways This panel will provide an up-to-the-minute assessment of natural gas and LNG fundamental market conditions, with particular focus on U.S. Rockies and West regional market specifics. Insights provided will offer an excellent foundation and basis for the overall Agenda and ensuing discussions. The Panel is comprised of expert industry analysts, well-versed in presenting insights to their respective organizations and customers. Panelists offer a fundamental market examination including supporting data, contextual analysis, forecasts, and actionable takeaways. Panel analysis and discussion includes: • Supply / Demand: Current balances; forecasts by segment (utility, industrial, Petrochem; LNG, gas-fired powergen) • Prices, forecasts, volatility assessment • Key Influences: Impact of AI Data Center demand on gas-fired powergen; LNG and NatGas Exports; Weather • Midstream Infrastructure capabilities and constraints • Policy and regulatory implications • Other influencing factors Moderator: Ken Fung, <i>Manager Origination, NRG</i> Speakers: Amy Debayle, <i>Natural Gas Pricing Analyst, S&P Global Energy</i> Leticia Gonzales, <i>Managing Director, North America Natural Gas Pricing, Natural Gas Intelligence</i> Mark Aufmuth, <i>Managing Director, bp</i>
10:30 am – 11:00 am	Networking Break: Shell Energy Cafe – Sponsored by: Shell Energy
11:00 am - 12:15 pm	Panel: The Buck Stops Here: Critical perspectives and insights from end-use Gas Buyers. Purchasing strategies; buyer preferences; gas supply portfolio management; opportunities/challenges This Panel is comprised of Gas Buyers representing a variety of end users of natural gas. End users of natural gas include Gas Distribution Utility (LDC); Power Generation (Utility & IPP); Refining; Petrochem, Industrial & Manufacturing (process & heat), and Commercial businesses. Entities include investor-owned and municipal utilities (subject to regulation), as well as private non-regulated businesses (including AI Data Centers). Gas Buyers for these entities have a unique perspective on the market, given their unique location at the end of the value chain, their dependence on natural gas supply, and an absolute requirement to meet the demand of their

	customers. Creative negotiation of commercial terms for gas supply is crucial to Gas Buyer's business to ensure security of supply, operational flexibility and competitive pricing. In addition, the regulated entities must manage all this while meeting the requirements of regulatory oversight and passthrough of gas supply costs in published rates. With a diversity of Gas Buyers represented, the Panel will offer valuable perspectives, considerations, and actionable takeaways. Producers, Marketers and Midstream Operators in the audience will clearly benefit from this insight. The discussion will include the following topic categories, as well as incorporation of Q&A from the audience: • Current market conditions – perspectives & Impact on Gas Purchasing • Gas Purchasing strategies (agreement structuring, preferences, portfolio management) • Midstream Infrastructure considerations • Competition for gas supply (incl. LNG export; AI data centers) • Regulatory & policy considerations and constraints • Technologies utilized for Gas Purchasing • Low carbon gas considerations Moderator: Cleve Hogarth, <i>Principal</i>, Cleveland Advisory Speakers: Elsa Valay-Paz, <i>Vice President, Gas Acquisition</i>, SoCalGas Alex Baird, <i>General Manager - Fuels & Purchase Power</i>, Colorado Springs Utilities Steve Wall, <i>Manager Gas Supply</i>, Enbridge Inc.
12:15 pm - 12:45 pm	Board Buses & Depart for Optional Afternoon Networking Activity
12:45 pm – 4:00 pm	San Diego Bay Cruise and Lunch with a View!
4:00 pm – 6:00 pm	Cocktail Reception-Hosted by the Sponsors Please join our hosts, the Corporate Sponsors, at a cocktail reception in your honor. Don't make your dinner plans too early as hors d'oeuvres and an open bar will be the highlight of this extremely well attended session!
<u>Wednesday, August 12, 2026</u>	
7:15 am - 8:15 am	Networking with the Industry: Registration and Continental Breakfast
8:15 am – 8:30 am	Welcome & Overview: Christy Coleman, <i>Vice President</i>, LDC Gas Forums
8:30 am – 10:00 am	Panel: Breaking the Bottlenecks: Infrastructure and Coordination As energy demand accelerates and reliability challenges intensify, the U.S. natural gas, oil and power system is reaching a critical inflection point. This timely panel brings together industry leaders to examine two of the most urgent and deeply interconnected issues facing the energy sector today:

	infrastructure permitting and gas-electric coordination. Drawing on recent National Petroleum Council studies, panelists will discuss how electrification, data center growth, and renewable integration are colliding with misaligned markets, constrained pipeline flexibility, and increasingly complex permitting processes. The discussion will move beyond problem-statement to practical solutions, focusing on what it will take to better align policy, market design, and infrastructure investment to ensure reliability and affordability. Join this forward-looking conversation on how the industry can break through bottlenecks, strengthen coordination, and build a resilient energy system capable of meeting the demands of the next decade. Moderator: Erin Potter Sullenger, <i>Senior Counsel</i>, Williams Companies, Inc. Speakers: Kenneth Yagelski, <i>Gas Supply Operations</i>, Southern Company Gas Danielle Bertoldi, <i>Director of Government Affairs</i>, Williams Alex Oehler, <i>VP External Relations</i>, TC Energy Matthew Agen, <i>Chief Regulatory Counsel, Energy</i>, American Gas Association J.E.B. Bolen, <i>EVP Operations</i>, EQT
10:00 am – 10:30 am	Networking Break: Shell Energy Cafe – Sponsored by: Shell Energy
10:30 am – 12:00 pm	Panel: Technology. Not A Threat. An Opportunity: Leveraging innovative technology solutions to seize opportunities and overcome challenges This Panel is composed of industry experts from a variety of leading energy technology providers offering innovative solutions across the natural gas commercial value chain. Rather than a “commercial” for technology solutions, this Panel will discuss practical, effective methods for leveraging technology, in general, to improve the bottom line. This includes strategies, processes, and practical applications of technology for automation, efficiency maximization, and de-risking your business from security threats. Opportunities to enhance online exposure and brand reinforcement of your organization will also be explored. With Artificial Intelligence (AI) technology dominating current headlines, this Panel will also provide perspectives on opportunities, challenges and implications for AI technology deployment across the commercial value chain for natural gas, LNG, and energy in general. The discussion will include practical examples of leveraging AI in your day-to-day workflow, as well as implications of AI deployment on the workforce. • Technology Opportunities Discuss Technologies that offer the best opportunity to optimize natgas commercial operations • Technology Challenges Discuss situations where natgas companies often struggle to overcome

	Technology-related challenges • AI Opportunities Understanding that AI is not necessarily the best tool to address all requirements, discuss where AI excels at certain tasks • AI Challenges Regarding limitations for application of AI, discuss examples, and explain why human involvement will continue to be required in certain situations • Technology Trends Discuss current trends in Technology adoption providing market leaders with successful results Moderator: Cleve Hogarth, <i>Principal</i>, Cleveland Advisory Speakers: Scott Vogan, <i>SVP Sales & Marketing</i>, nGenuie Dhruv Venkatraman, <i>Customer Success</i>, Trellis Energy Software Jason Langella, <i>Founder & Chairman</i>, SEO Agency USA
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