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gridCONNEXT 2018 ANNOUNCES NEW SPEAKERS AND PARTNERS Programming to Span Energy, Transportation, Storage, and the Grid

Washington, D.C., September 11, 2018 – The GridWise Alliance and Clean Edge, Inc. today announced additional speakers and partners for gridCONNEXT 2018. The second-annual gathering, to be held in Washington, D.C., December 4-6, will bring together business, utility, finance, and policy leaders to explore the most important topics impacting the electric utility industry. More information on the event can be found at www.gridconnext.com.

Confirmed partners include CenterPoint Energy, DataGuard, Environmental Defense Fund (EDF), Intel, American Electric Power (AEP), Exelon, Landis+Gyr, Lockheed Martin, National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL), ABB, Accenture, and Itron.

Speakers span representatives from utilities, regulatory bodies, investment organizations, non-profits, and corporations. Newly announced speakers include:

- Anne Pramaggiore, Senior Vice President & CEO, Exelon Utilities
- Courtney Prideaux Smith, Chief Deputy Director, California Energy Commission
- Jeff Eckel, President & CEO, Hannon Armstrong
- Leslie Kilgore, Vice President, Engineering, Thomas Built Buses
- Shuli Goodman, Executive Director, LF Energy Foundation

Previously announced speakers include:

- Jonathan Salk, Coauthor, A New Reality: Human Evolution for a Sustainable Future
- Laurent Schmitt, Secretary-General of ENTSO-E, the European Network of Transmission System Operators
- **Ryan Popple**, CEO, Proterra

"This year's confirmed speakers and partners significantly advance our mission to educate and share best practices with both policy and business leaders," explain conference co-producers Steve Hauser and Ron Pernick. "This year's programming includes high-level representatives

from the California Energy Commission and the European grid operator in addition to major utilities and grid-focused corporations – reflecting a wide diversity of voices and stakeholders."

About GridWise Alliance

The GridWise Alliance (GridWise) champions the principle concepts, policies, and investments needed to transform the electricity grid by understanding the diverse perspectives and priorities of all stakeholders. GridWise member companies have been leading changes across the electricity industry since 2003. For more information, please visit www.gridwise.org.

About Clean Edge

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