

Aiken Augusta Energy Summit (AAES)

September 15-19, 2025

Monday, September 15

Start	Agenda Item	Who
11:30 AM	Lunch, Networking - Plant Vogtle Energy Education Center	<i>Sponsored by Westinghouse</i>
12:00 PM	Orientation & History of Plant Vogtle	Mike McCracken Southern Jeremiah Haswell
12:30 PM	Site Bus Tour. Limited Walking Tour Units 1, 2, 3 & 4 Operating Site Operator Control Room Training Center	Mike McCracken / Joel Leopard
2:00 PM	Vogtle Vantage Point Site Photo Opportunity	Training Center Lead
2:30 PM	Return to Energy Education Center	
2:45 PM	Perspectives on Energy, Electricity, Georgia and the Southeast	Tim Echols, Georgia Public Service Commission Vice Chairman
3:00 PM	DOE Loan Program Office Results of Liftoff Study	Julie Kozeracki, Director of Strategy DOE - Loan Program Office
3:30 PM	Westinghouse from AP 1000 to AP 300	James Wyble III, Region VP, Global Markets
4:00 PM	Terrestrial Energy - "Behind the Meter: Challenges & Opportunities"	Robin Rickman, VP Business Development
4:30 PM	Update on Southern Co / TerraPower Advanced Reactor Projects	Southern Company R&D Lauren Lathem, Principal Research Engineer
5:00 PM	Summary / Conclusion	Bill Linton
5:10 PM	Travel - Return to Hotel	All

6:30 PM	<i>Welcome Reception - Georgia Cyber Center Rooftop (Augusta) Group Networking - Drinks & hors d'oeuvres</i>	<i>Sponsored by Atwell Welcome by Danielle Peoples</i>
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Tuesday, September 16 - Georgia Cyber Center, Augusta

Start	Agenda Item	Who
8:30 AM	Welcome & Introductions Coffee, Networking, Seating	Bill Linton Principal, Linton Consulting
9:00 AM	Welcome to the Georgia Innovation & Cyber Center	Thomas Toler, Exec. Director
9:10 AM	Keynote: Meeting Energy Demands in the High Growth Southeast	James Kerr, CEO Southern Company Gas
9:30 AM	Executive Panel - Meeting State Energy Demands Moderated by: Melissa Whitten, Daymark Energy Advisors + Bill Linton	Kellar Kissam CEO Dominion SC Tim Pearson, CEO Duke SC James Staton, CEO Santee Cooper
10:15 AM	Break	
10:45 AM	Energy Security -- Infrastructure Security Introduction by Terry Boston , Grid Protection Alliance	Avi Schnurr, CEO Electric Infrastructure Security Council (EIS)
11:15 AM	Energy Security Vs. Global Threats	FBI - Brian Ozden
11:45 AM	Energy, Infrastructure, & Cyber Security Panel. Moderated by: Thomas Toler , Director, Georgia Cyber Center	Stanton Gatewood, CISA-GA Mackenzie Morris, Dragos Ethan Farquhar, Global Security, SRNL Steve Weldon, SRNL
12:45 PM	Lunch, Networking	<i>Sponsored by DC BLOX</i>
1:15 PM	Tour of Georgia Cyber Center	Thomas Toler, Exec. Director Erycha Madeiros
1:45 PM	Energy Overview & Outlook, U.S. and Southeast Statistical Review	Dr. David Gattie, Professor University of Georgia
2:30 PM	Roundtable / Q&A on Energy Outlook	
2:45 PM	Break	
3:15 PM	AI/Data Centers - Industry Trends & Policy (Intro by Robert Josey, Nelson Mullins)	Ray Fakhoury, Policy Advisor and Government Strategist, AWS
3:35 PM	Data Center Owner Panel Moderator: Robert Josey , Nelson Mullins	Frank Lyles, EVP T5 Data Ctrs Jeff Uphues, CEO DC Blox Ray Fakhoury, Policy Advisor, AWS
4:20 PM	Developing & Powering Data Centers --A New Vision. Moderator: Will Williams, WesternSC	Kevin Coughlin Vice President - Atwell John Greenfield - HDR John Eschenberg - Amentum Robbie Bennett, President & CEO SRS-CRO
5:20 PM	Summary & Outlook for Tomorrow	Bill Linton

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Wednesday, September 17 - Aiken Applied Research Center Auditorium

Start	Agenda Item	Who
8:30 AM	Networking, Introductions Welcome to South Carolina	Bill Linton, Overview of Day Fred Humes, ARC
8:45 AM	Intro to Savannah River Site Leadership Introductions by Lee Schifer, SVP SRNS	Johney Green, Lab Director - SRNL Invited: Michael Mikolanis, NNSA
9:15 AM	Keynote Presentation - What's New in Energy -- Transition or Addition? Global; North America; Southeast	Richard Voorberg, President Siemens Energy North America
9:45 AM	Break	
10:00 AM	Electric Power Panel - Regulatory, Renewables and Load Management; Behind the Meter Moderator: Todd Jackson, PowerSecure	Dominion - Danny Kassis TVA - Andrew Campbell Duke Energy - Sam Holeman
11:30 AM	Electric Power Policy Overview & PSC Commissioner Outlook	Invited: Floyd McKissick, Public Service Commissioner, NC
<u>Reports on Specialty Technologies: I&C, Fusion, Hydrogen, CCUS, Storage, BESS, Microgrids</u>		
12:00 PM	Lunch Break	
1:00 PM	Fusion: State of the Industry	Jay Brister, BlueSky Nuclear
1:45 PM	Hydrogen: State of the Industry: Shared Presentations / Panel Discussion Hydrogen: What's Next?	Eric Schwartz, Air Products Noah Meeks, Southern Co
2:30 PM	Break	
2:45 PM	Storage, Batteries & Microgrids Panel: State of the Industry	PowerSecure, Todd Jackson / Joaquin Aguerre
3:30 PM	Digital Transformation / I&C: State of the Industry	Nicholas Meyer Yokogawa David Brearley, HDR
4:15 PM	Electric Power Grid: Past, Present, Future - Southwire Presentation & Panel	Southwire: Michael Powell, Arturo Nunez
4:45 PM	Power Grid of the Future Panel Discussion Moderated by Michael Powell	Sam Holeman, Duke Energy Arturo Nunez, Southwire David Brearley, HDR
5:30 PM	Break and Travel to AMC	
6:00 PM	Reception: Advanced Manufacturing Collaborative USC - Aiken Doors Open at 6:00	Drinks and Hors d'oeuvres (Daren Timmons SRNL - Intro)
7:00 PM	Fusion Roundtable	By Invitation - Sponsored by Type One

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Thursday, September 18 - Aiken Applied Research Center Auditorium

Start	Agenda Item	Who
8:30 AM	Coffee, Networking Recap & Preview of Day 2	Bill Linton
8:45 AM	Energy Policy, Regulatory Change and the One Big Beautiful Bill Act	Pillsbury Lawfirm - M.C. Hammond / Sheila Harvey
9:30 AM	Industrial Panel / Roundtable Key Opportunities & Challenges Moderator: Dr. Will James, Battelle/SRNL	David Crews, Bosch USA Steven Jahng, Hyundai Eugene Litvinov, Hyundai (Remote) John Brazer, HydroFleet Bryan Stone, CEO Pacolet-Milliken
11:00 AM	Break	
11:15 AM	Aviation & Airport Panel / Roundtable Key Opportunities & Challenges Moderator: Dave Edwards, CEO Greenville/Spartanburg Airport	Bethany King, Boeing Frank Murray, Columbia Airport Kevin Hayes, PowerSecure / Atlanta Dave Edwards, CEO GSP Airport Stan Faryniarz, Daymark Energy Advisors
12:45 PM	Lunch Break "Concept for a Hydrogen Highway"	Costas Simoglou - Georgia Economic Development
1:30 PM	Maritime /Ports Panel Key Opportunities & Challenges Moderator: David Walker, ABS	David Walker, ABS Marcus Sizemore, SC Ports Authority Maddie Henderson, CTE Jonathan Stephens, BWXT
3:00 PM	Break	
3:15 PM	Federal / Defense Panel / Roundtable	Brian Bluhm, Assoc Lab Director SRNL Jeff Hynds, NNSA David Irwin, U.S. Army HQ Amentum, TBA
4:45 PM	Summary, Q&A, Recommendations	Bill Linton

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8:30 AM	Assemble at SRS Security Office	
8:45 AM	Security Office Check In	
9:15 AM	Orientation & History: Savannah River Site	Bob Bonnet, SRNS
10:00 AM	Site Bus Tour	Kristin Huber, Protocol Office & Tour Staff
11:50 AM	Discussion of Tritium - Sources and Uses; Relevance to Industry and Power	Nick Miller, Senior VP Tritium SRNS
12:05 PM	Summit Conclusion	