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## JOSHUA C. NOWAK VICE PRESIDENT

Mr. Nowak is a financial and economic consultant with more than fifteen years of experience in the energy industry. He has provided expert testimony on regulatory issues in several proceedings before the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission and regulatory commissions in Alaska, California, Connecticut, Kentucky, Minnesota, New Brunswick, New Hampshire, New York, North Dakota, Ohio, and Texas. Mr. Nowak specializes in providing rate case services on economic conditions and financial market matters related to the cost of capital. He is also experienced in providing strategic direction on financing activities including bond offerings, credit rating analysis, and investor relations. Previously, Josh was the Director of Regulatory Strategy & Integrated Analytics at National Grid where he was responsible for issues related to the cost of capital across its federal and state jurisdictional operating companies. He holds a Bachelor's Degree in Economics and History from Boston College.

#### REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

Expert Testimony and Litigation Support

Mr. Nowak's work includes regulatory project management, research, and analysis for expert witness testimony. His work has included:

- Expert testimony on cost of capital, financial markets, return on equity, capital structure, and debt financing issues
- Regulatory strategy in return on equity proceedings, including coordination across several utilities in joint-party proceedings
- Extensive support for expert testimony in cost of capital and return on equity proceedings through research, financial analysis, and testimony development
- Expert testimony, sponsoring lead-lag studies, in support of utility cash working capital requirements
- Project management of expert testimony assignments, including all phases of the regulatory schedule
- Performing analysis to support expert testimony regarding affiliate expenses and allocations

### Policy Analysis

Mr. Nowak has contributed to projects related to policy review including:

- A review of natural gas capacity options and a cost-benefit analysis for state regulators seeking to reduce energy costs for ratepayers
- Analysis of the economic and environmental benefits of changes to natural gas ratemaking/expansion policy



#### Management and Operations Consulting

Mr. Nowak has taken a lead analytical role in developing benchmarking analyses and process reviews. Specifically, he has:

- Developed benchmarking analyses, in support of expert testimony, comparing electric and gas utilities' cost and operational efficiency, taking into account a situational assessment of exogenous factors
- Performed a process review of a gas utility's expansion projects, including an evaluation of policies, procedures, and financial models
- Supported analysis for a report of the reasonableness of a shared service company's administrative and general costs

### Financial Analysis

Other financial analysis Mr. Nowak has conducted include:

- Extensive analysis on issues related to utilities' cost of capital
- Developing dispatch models to estimate revenues for merchant powerplants
- Estimating damages for breach of contract in fuel delivery commitment
- Researching strategic investment opportunities for merchant generators
- A report on the profitability of various generation technologies in a deregulated energy market
- Reviewing internal financial models used by utility clients
- Supporting utility asset appraisals, including research and analysis for income approach, cost approach, and sales comparison approach

### Other Experience

In his previous work, Mr. Nowak contributed to the evaluation of regulatory policy for government clients. His experience included performing policy analysis, including economic impact assessments, for federal regulations.

#### PROFESSIONAL HISTORY

**Concentric Energy Advisors, Inc. (2018 - Present)** 

Vice President Assistant Vice President

**National Grid USA (2017 - 2018)** 

Director, Regulatory Strategy & Integrated Analytics

ScottMadden, Inc. (formerly Sussex Economic Advisors, LLC) (2012 - 2016)

Director

Principal

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## Concentric Energy Advisors, Inc. (2007 - 2012)

Senior Consultant Consultant Assistant Consultant Analyst

# RTI International (2006 - 2007)

Economist

## **EDUCATION**

## **Boston College**

B.A., Economics and History, 2006



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Regulatory Commission of Ala	ska		1		
ENSTAR Natural Gas Company, a Division of Semco Energy, Inc.	06/16	ENSTAR Natural Gas Company, a Division of Semco Energy, Inc.	TA 285-4	Cash Working Capital	
California Public Utilities Com	mission		1		
Southern California Gas Company	03/25	Southern California Gas Company	A.25-03-011	Return on Equity	
San Diego Gas & Electric Company	03/25	San Diego Gas & Electric Company	A.25-03-013	Return on Equity	
Pacific Gas and Electric Company, Southern California Edison Company, Southern California Gas Company, and San Diego Gas & Electric Company	02/24	Pacific Gas and Electric Company, Southern California Edison Company, Southern California Gas Company, and San Diego Gas & Electric Company	A.22-04-008 / A.22-04-009 / A.22-04-011 / A.22-04-012	Return on Equity Policy	
Southern California Gas Company and San Diego Gas & Electric Company	01/24	Southern California Gas Company and San Diego Gas & Electric Company	A.22-04-011 / A.22-04-012	Return on Equity Policy	
Connecticut Public Utilities Re	gulatory	Authority			
Yankee Gas Services Company d/b/a Eversource Energy	11/24	Yankee Gas Services Company d/b/a Eversource Energy	Docket No. 24- 12-01	Return on Equity	
Aquarion Water Company of Connecticut	08/22	Aquarion Water Company of Connecticut	Docket No. 22- 07-01	Return on Equity	
Aquarion Water Company of Connecticut	01/22	Aquarion Water Company of Connecticut	Docket No. 13- 02-20RE06	Return on Equity and Cost of Debt	
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission					
National Grid LNG LLC	01/25	National Grid LNG LLC	RP25-473-000	Return on Equity	
San Diego Gas & Electric Company	10/24	San Diego Gas & Electric Company	ER25-270-000	Return on Equity	



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Power Authority of the State of New York	10/24	Power Authority of the State of New York	ER25-198-000	Return on Equity
Mid-Atlantic Offshore Development, LLC	07/24	Mid-Atlantic Offshore Development, LLC	ER24-2564-000	Return on Equity
Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corporation, Consolidated Edison Company of New York, Inc., Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation d/b/a National Grid, New York State Electric & Gas Corporation, Orange and Rockland Utilities, Inc., and Rochester Gas and Electric Corporation	04/21	Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corporation, Consolidated Edison Company of New York, Inc., Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation d/b/a National Grid, New York State Electric & Gas Corporation, Orange and Rockland Utilities, Inc., and Rochester Gas and Electric Corporation	EL21-66-000, ER21-1647-000	Transmission Ownership Risk and Returns
Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corporation	12/19	Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corporation	ER20-715-000	Return on Equity
Kentucky Public Service Comm	nission			
Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc.	06/25	Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc.	Case No. 2025- 00125	Return on Equity
Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc.	12/24	Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc.	Case No. 2024- 00354	Return on Equity
Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc.	12/22	Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc.	Case No. 2022- 00372	Return on Equity



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Minnesota Public Utilities Cor	nmission		1	
Northern States Power Company (Xcel Energy Inc.)	11/24	Northern States Power Company (Xcel Energy Inc.)	G-002/GR-24- 320	Return on Equity
Northern States Power Company (Xcel Energy Inc.)	11/23	Northern States Power Company (Xcel Energy Inc.)	G-002/GR-23- 413	Return on Equity
New Brunswick Energy and U	tilities Bo	pard		
New Brunswick Power Corporation (NB Power)	11/22	New Brunswick Power Corporation (NB Power)	Matter 541	Macroeconomic Environment and Capital Market Conditions
Public Utilities Commission o	f New Har	npshire		
Liberty Utilities (Granite State Electric) Corp. d/b/a Liberty Utilities	04/16	Liberty Utilities (Granite State Electric) Corp. d/b/a Liberty Utilities	Docket No. DE 16-383	Cash Working Capital
New York Public Service Com	mission	I	J.	
Consolidated Edison Company of New York, Inc.	01/25	Consolidated Edison Company of New York, Inc.	Case 25-E-0072/ Case 25-G-0073	Return on Equity
Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corporation	08/24	Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corporation	Case 24-E-0461/ Case 24-G-0462	Return on Equity
Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation d/b/a National Grid	05/24	Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation d/b/a National Grid	Case 24-E-0322/ Case 24-G- 0323	Return on Equity
National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation	10/23	National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation	Case 23-G-0627	Return on Equity
Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corporation	07/23	Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corporation	Case 23-E-0418/ Case 23-G-0419	Return on Equity



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The Brooklyn Union Gas Company d/b/a National Grid NY ("KEDNY") and KeySpan Gas East Corporation d/b/a National Grid ("KEDLI")	04/23	The Brooklyn Union Gas Company d/b/a National Grid NY ("KEDNY") and KeySpan Gas East Corporation d/b/a National Grid ("KEDLI")	Case 23-G-0225/ Case 23-G-0226	Return on Equity
Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation d/b/a National Grid	07/20	Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation d/b/a National Grid	Case 20-E-0380/ Case 20-G- 0381	Return on Equity
Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation d/b/a National Grid	07/17	Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation d/b/a National Grid	Case 17-E-0238/ Case 17-G- 0239	Capital Structure and Overall Cost of Capital
North Dakota Public Service (	Commissi	on	1	
Northern States Power Company (Xcel Energy Inc.)	12/24	Northern States Power Company (Xcel Energy Inc.)	Docket No. PU-24-376	Return on Equity
Northern States Power Company (Xcel Energy Inc.)	12/23	Northern States Power Company (Xcel Energy Inc.)	Docket No. PU-23-367	Return on Equity
Public Utilities Commission o	f Ohio	I		
Duke Energy Ohio, Inc.	01/23	Duke Energy Ohio, Inc.	Case No. 22- 1153-EL-UNC	Return on Equity
Public Utility Commission of	Гехаѕ		1	1
Wind Energy Transmission Texas, LLC	12/24	Wind Energy Transmission Texas, LLC	Docket No. 52799	Cash Working Capital
Wind Energy Transmission Texas, LLC	05/15	Wind Energy Transmission Texas, LLC	Docket No. 44746	Cash Working Capital
Lone Star Transmission, LLC	05/14	Lone Star Transmission, LLC	Docket No. 42469	Cash Working Capital



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Railroad Commission of Texas					
Texas Gas Service Company, a Division of One Gas, Inc.	06/16	Texas Gas Service Company, a Division of One Gas, Inc.	GUD No. 10526	Cash Working Capital	
Texas Gas Service Company, a Division of One Gas, Inc.	03/16	Texas Gas Service Company, a Division of One Gas, Inc.	GUD No. 10506	Cash Working Capital	
Texas Gas Service Company, a Division of One Gas, Inc.	12/15	Texas Gas Service Company, a Division of One Gas, Inc.	GUD No. 10488	Cash Working Capital	
CenterPoint Energy Resources Corp., d/b/a CenterPoint Energy Entex and CenterPoint Energy Texas Gas	03/14	CenterPoint Energy Resources Corp., d/b/a CenterPoint Energy Entex and CenterPoint Energy Texas Gas	GUD No. 10432	Cash Working Capital	