

## ***Preliminary Agenda – 2025 Energy Innovations: LDC Gas Forums Rockies & West***

<b><u>Monday, Aug. 11, 2025</u></b>	<b><u>Session name, description and speakers</u></b>
<b>3:00 pm – 3:20 pm</b>	<b>Networking with the Industry: Registration</b>
<b>3:20 pm – 3:30 pm</b>	<b>Welcome &amp; Overview:</b>  <b>Christy Coleman, Vice President, LDC Gas Forums</b>
<b>3:30 pm – 3:45 pm</b>	<b>Opening Remarks:</b>  <b>Speaker:</b> <b>Dan Haley, Executive Director, Coloradans for Responsible Energy Development</b>
<b>3:45 pm – 5:00 pm</b>	<b>Opening Keynote &amp; Fireside Chat With Dan Haley: Energy, Climate, Poverty and Prosperity</b> Food, shelter, education, health and wellbeing - none of these are possible without energy, and the quality of each depends on the degree of access to affordable, reliable, and secure energy. While access to energy does not guarantee a path out of poverty, there is no path out of poverty with access to energy. We will examine the history of the global energy mix, the disparity in energy access around the world, and the complexities that come with balancing the competing priorities of abundance/reliability, affordability and impact.  <b>Speaker:</b> <b>Ron Gusek, CEO, Liberty Energy</b>
<b>5:00 pm – 7:00 pm</b>	<b>Monday Evening Attendee Welcome Reception (Located in Horace Tabor &amp; Molly Brown Foyer)</b>
<b><u>Tuesday, August 12, 2025</u></b>	
<b>7:00 am - 8:00 am</b>	<b>Networking with the Industry: Registration and Continental Breakfast</b>
<b>8:00 am - 8:15 am</b>	<b>Welcome &amp; Overview:</b>  <b>Christy Coleman, Vice President, LDC Gas Forums</b>
<b>8:15 am - 9:00 am</b>	<b>Keynote Breakfast: The Tides Have Turned: A Bold Future for Natural Gas</b> The natural gas industry has long weathered the tides of market change — rising, falling, and rising again. But today, we are no longer navigating normal waters. The familiar rhythms have given way to a new era of disruption and opportunity. We stand on the brink of a transformation unlike anything this industry has seen in our lifetime.  <b>Speaker:</b>

	<b>Sam Thigpen</b> , <i>Founder/CEO</i> , Sapphire Gas Solutions
<b>9:00 am – 10:30 am</b>	<p><b>Panel: It's All in The Numbers: Rockies &amp; West Market Fundamental Analysis, Interpretation, Forecasts and Takeaways</b></p> <p>This Panel conducts a comprehensive overview of up-to-the-minute U.S. natural gas market conditions, with a particular focus on the Rockies and West region. The Panel is comprised of industry subject matter experts, not only setting out fundamental data, events and forecasts, but more importantly providing insightful analysis and actionable takeaways. Topics addressed include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Supply / Demand: current balances and forecasts</li> <li>• Key Influences: Data Center Demand; LNG Exports; Weather</li> <li>• Midstream infrastructure considerations</li> <li>• Forecasts: Pricing; operations; volatility assessment</li> </ul> <p>Insights provided by this Panel serve as an excellent foundation and factual reference point for the overall Forum agenda and ensuing discussions.</p> <p><b>Moderator:</b>  <b>Ken Fung</b>, <i>Manager Origination</i>, NRG, Energy</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b>  <b>Chet Sharma</b>, <i>Natural Gas Analyst</i>, DRW Holdings  <b>Dan Spangler</b>, <i>Senior Director, Analytics</i>, Natural Gas Intelligence  <b>Michael Porter</b>, <i>VP West Origination</i>, bp</p>
<b>10:30 am – 11:00 am</b>	<b>Networking Break</b>
<b>11:00 am - 12:15 pm</b>	<p><b>Panel: Speed to Market For New Data Center Development - Winning The AI Arms Race</b></p> <p>A tsunami of demand for development of new data Centers to support AI is clearly upon us. This is a global phenomenon with many capable players pursuing the same goal. The U.S. must succeed in this AI Arms Race by quickly capturing an appropriate market share. This Panel will examine the key criteria involved in expediting the creation of new Data Centers, including stakeholder considerations, project funding and development, siting requirements, new infrastructure development, supply chain, policy/regulatory, etc. Of particular interest to this audience are considerations around accessing the extraordinary quantities of reliable electric power (utility/grid power vs. behind-the-meter on-site power), and why natural gas has emerged as the preferred fuel to generate the incremental electricity required. Potential for lower carbon, clean energy characteristics of the natural gas fuel is another consideration (RNG, Certified Gas, etc.). The discussion will address the interest of a range of existing stakeholders spanning the value chain, as well as new entrants to the world of natural gas fueled electricity.</p> <p><b>Moderator:</b>  <b>Rock Graham</b>, <i>Manager Origination</i>, NRG Energy</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b>  <b>Trenton Thornock</b>, <i>CEO</i>, Prometheus Hyperscale  <b>Steven Lowenthal</b>, <i>Co-Chief Executive Officer</i>, Frontier Infrastructure Holdings</p>

	<b>Ty Harrison, <i>President and CFO, PureWest</i></b>
<b>12:15 pm - 12:45 pm</b>	<b>Board Bus &amp; Depart for Optional Afternoon Networking Activity</b>
<b>12:45 pm – 4:15 pm</b>	<b>Experience Golden’s Rich History &amp; Flavor!</b>
<b>4:15 pm – 6:15 pm</b>	<b>Cocktail Reception-Hosted by the Sponsors</b> 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!
<b><u>Wednesday, August 13, 2025</u></b>	
<b>7:15 am - 8:15 am</b>	<b>Networking with the Industry: Registration and Continental Breakfast</b>
<b>8:15 am - 8:20 am</b>	<b>Welcome &amp; Overview:</b>  <b>Christy Coleman, <i>Vice President, LDC Gas Forums</i></b>
<b>8:20 am – 9:00 am</b>	<b>Opening Keynote:</b>  <b>Speaker:</b> <b>James Pearson, <i>Sr. Market Analyst, ConocoPhillips</i></b>
<b>9:00 am – 10:15 am</b>	<b>Panel: Where There's A Need, There's A Solution - Innovative Technology Solutions To Improve The Bottom Line Across The Natural Gas Commercial Value Chain</b> This Panel is composed of industry experts from a variety of energy technology providers offering innovative solutions to challenges across the natural gas commercial value chain. With the recent resurgence in demand for natural gas as a vital energy source, attention turns to ensuring optimal supply and delivery infrastructure to efficiently and securely move energy from production sources to demand centers. The Panel will explore best practices for technology utilization, as well as identification of specific case studies where technology solutions have been deployed to successfully solve various operational and commercial challenges.  <b>Moderator:</b>  <b>Speakers:</b> <b>Jay Bhatti, <i>CEO &amp; Founder, NatGasHub.com</i></b> <b>Scott Vogan, <i>SVP Sales &amp; Marketing, Trellis Energy</i></b> <b>Speaker TBD – nGenuie</b>
<b>10:15 am - 10:45 am</b>	<b>Networking Break</b>
<b>10:45 am – 12:15 pm</b>	<b>Panel: Where The Buck Stops - Gas Buyer Insights: Market Conditions; Opportunities/Challenges; Gas Buying Strategies</b> End users of natural gas include Gas Distribution Utilities (LDCs); Power

Generation (Utility & IPP); Industrials (process & heat). Entities include publicly owned and municipal utilities (subject to regulation), as well as private non-regulated businesses (now including AI Data Centers – both on the utility/grid as well as behind-the-meter utilizing on-site self-generated power). 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 their business to ensure security of supply, operational flexibility and competitive pricing. In addition, the regulated entities must do all this while managing the complexities of regulatory oversight and passthrough of gas supply costs in published rates. The Panel is comprised of a diversity of Gas Buyers, offering a range of valuable perspectives and insights. Panelists will provide viewpoints, considerations, and takeaways on the following topic categories:

- Market Fundamentals (supply; demand; pricing)
- Gas Supply Buying Strategies (agreement structuring & preferences)
- Midstream Infrastructure Considerations
- Implications of Competing Demands For Gas Supply
- Gas Electric Coordination
- Regulatory & Policy
- Technology

**Moderator:**

**Cleve Hogarth**, *Principal*, Cleveland Advisory LLC

**Speakers:**

**Steve Wall**, *Manager Gas Supply*, Enbridge

**Michael Krutak**, *Energy Project Manager*, Vantage Data Centers

**Ray Sasaki**, *Director of Gas Acquisition*, SoCal Gas