

GOVERNMENT POLICY TRENDS

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(PANELISTS WILL BE ANNOUNCED AT A LATER DATE)

SUMMARY:

By the time of the conference, key decisions will have been made on the funding of energy-efficiency programs in the U.S. Department of Energy and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the implementation of the Administration's national energy policy. In addition, key decisions will have been made on the Administration's commitment to reducing greenhouse gas emissions, both abroad and in the U.S.. Finally, it is expected that decisions will have been made at the national level (e.g., Congress and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission) on national restructuring and on restructuring issues at the state level (e.g., California, the Pacific Northwest, and the mid-Atlantic region). This panel will be comprised of key governmental personnel involved in making decisions at the governmental level on energy-related issues and who will discuss one or more of the above issues.