

AGENDA
Joint Committee on Energy

Tuesday, September 15, 2026
3:00 PM
Room A, MAC
Little Rock, Arkansas

Sen. Mark Johnson, Co-Chair
Sen. Matt McKee, Vice-Chair
Sen. Missy Irvin
Sen. Ronald Caldwell
Sen. Alan Clark
Sen. Jimmy Hickey, Jr
Sen. Blake Johnson
Sen. Bryan King
Sen. Clint Penzo
Sen. Brad Simon

Rep. Matthew J. Shepherd, Co-Chair
Rep. Zack Gramlich, Vice-Chair
Rep. David Whitaker
Rep. Ron McNair
Rep. Jack Ladyman
Rep. Justin Gonzales
Rep. Rick Beck
Rep. Steve Hollowell
Rep. Lee Johnson
Rep. Cameron Cooper
Rep. Harlan Breaux
Rep. Richard McGrew
Rep. Brandon Achor
Rep. Steve Unger
Rep. Randy Torres

A. Call to Order

B. Consideration of a Motion to Approve the August 6, 2026, Meeting Minutes **[Exhibit B]**

C. Discussion of Data Center Development in Arkansas

1. Google
 - Rachel Wilson, Energy Market Development, Google
2. West Memphis **[Exhibit C2]**
 - Eric Foister, Superintendent, West Memphis School District
 - Marco McClendon, Mayor, West Memphis
3. Entergy
 - John Bethel, Director of Public Affairs, Entergy
 - David Palmer, Vice President of Regulatory Affairs, Entergy
4. Electric Cooperatives of Arkansas (AECC)
 - Buddy Hasten, President and Chief Executive Officer (CEO), AECC
5. Arkansas Public Service Commission (APSC)
 - Doyle Webb, Chairman, APSC
 - Danni Hoefer, Chief of Staff, APSC
6. Central Arkansas Water
 - Tad Bohannon, CEO, Central Arkansas Water
7. Little Rock Water Reclamation Authority (LRWRA)
 - Jean Block, CEO, LRWRA
 - Ryan Benefield, Chief Operating Officer, LRWRA

D. Other Business

E. Adjournment

Note: All exhibits for this meeting are available by electronic means and are accessible on the General Assembly's website at www.arkleg.state.ar.us

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