

**2023**  
**CLEARWATER**  
**FLORIDA**

# Engineers Conference

## MONDAY, JUNE 12

**8:00 COFFEE & DANISH**

**8:30 PROTECTION SYSTEM OF SOLAR COLLECTOR SYSTEMS (4 PDH)**  
David Bousot, Tampa Electric

**12:00 LUNCH ON OWN**

**1:00 PRINCIPLES OF FIBER OPTICS (4 PDH)**  
Mike Cunningham, Qualus

## TUESDAY, JUNE 13

**7:30 COFFEE & DANISH**

**8:00 EV INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING**  
Vahraz Zamani, Siemens

**9:30 ENGINEERING THROUGH A STORM**  
Travis Turner, Glades EC  
Paul Roberts, Peace River EC

**11:00 EV RATEMAKING STRATEGIES**  
Brent Saylor, GDS Associates, Inc.

**11:45 LUNCH ON OWN**

**1:15 SHOP TALK - ENGINEERING BEST PRACTICES**  
*Data driven maintenance, Operations technology cybersecurity, Smart grid via SCADA, & Changes in technology (AMI, EV, fiber)*  
Mike Thesing & Demos Andreou, Patterson & Dewar Engineers

**3:15 MOTORIZED SWITCHING (DISTRIBUTION, TRANSMISSION, & SUBSTATION)**  
Walter Sinegal, Hubbell Utility Solutions



**5:30-6:30 Hospitality Gathering - Families invited!**



## WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14

**7:30 COFFEE & DANISH**

**8:00 SEMINOLE UPDATE**  
Robert DeMelo, Mgr of Transmission Planning & Sys Protection  
Seminole EC

**9:00 POWERSOUTH UPDATE**  
Joe Armstrong, VP Engineering & Operations  
PowerSouth Energy Cooperative

**10:00 BREAK**

**10:15 LITHIUM BATTERY STORAGE**  
Taisha Bezzo, Lithion

**11:15 CLOSING**

# SPONSORS

## EXACTER

Jason Nowland

## GRESKO

Barry Marquart

## HUBBELL

Walter Sinegal

## NRTC

Rodney Pugh

## RANCO RESPONSE

Kevin Reeves

## TCI SALES

Anne Miller

## TechServ

Tim Taylor

## TRI-STATE UTILITY PRODUCTS

David Dampier

## Vertiv

Mike Duhon



# ATTENDEES

## Central Florida EC

Daniel Powell  
Trace Alexander

## CHELCO

Matthew Avery  
Rocky Hudson  
Kevin Jones

## CLAY EC

Chris Bryan  
Mathew Griswold  
Jessie Myers  
Craig Wacha  
Eric Saxon

## Florida Keys EC

Peter Amendola  
Michael Roberge

## Glades EC

Travis Turner  
Colin Evans

## Peace River EC

Paul Roberts  
Jimmy Vallejo  
Tony Smithson

## SECO Energy

Ben Dawson  
Logan Jarman  
David Johnson  
Biniam Tsegay  
Matt Wernersbach  
Jerry Jean-Louis  
Trisha Adams

## Seminole EC

Neil Allen  
Robert DeMelo  
Angela Battle  
Ranjit Amgai  
Hany Basiliou  
Bes Jacaj  
Jin Wang  
Kayla Allemang  
Michael Rogers  
Mike McDonald

## Suwannee Valley EC

Trevor Touchton  
Kurt Miller

## Talquin EC

Terrance Roberts  
Mike Grice  
Ryan Dodson

## Tri-County EC

Jeff Brewer

## West Florida EC

Keith Varnum  
Wes King  
Chad Mitchell  
Stephen Burdeshaw

## Withlacoochee River EC

Gus Cifuentes-Mejia  
Dean Moore  
Johan Villasmil  
Travis Weaver  
James Bolan  
Ottoniel Portillo

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## Draper Consulting

Jon Draper

## Power Engineers

Ivette Sanchez  
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## IEEE

Jerry Jean  
Trisha Adams  
Jose Hernandez