

5G Forum

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Kalahari Resort – Wisconsin Dells

5G is all the buzz. Fifth-generation wireless technology promises to move data faster, be more responsive and enable a lot more devices to be connected to one another at once. Wireless companies say 5G opens a new era, bringing to reality the self-driving cars, smart communities, immersive education and a more expansive “Internet of Things” everyone is talking about.

Those same wireless carriers and their allies claim that new facilities within the public rights-of-way are needed to advance 5G. As new “small cell” wireless broadband facilities are deployed across the nation, public power utilities are facing increasingly complex wireless pole-attachment issues.

MEUW is hosting the 5G Forum to help educate member utilities about the latest developments. The number of requests for attachments of small cell facilities is increasing. MEUW’s 5G Forum will provide the most up-to-date information about the Federal Communications Commission’s proceedings and how new rules affect municipal utilities.

This half-day session will offer participants an overview of 5G small cell wireless and explore the truths, myths and implications for public power. **The 5G Forum will offer practical advice to help Wisconsin utilities prepare for and respond to small cell deployments in their communities.** Explore what you need to know to make informed decisions about 5G small cell and leave the Forum with answers to your questions and access to resources and ideas to make it easier to manage poles and other facilities.

Who should attend:

Managers, engineers and other representatives of public power utilities that own or control poles, ducts, towers, or other facilities that support wireline or wireless communications attachments

About the Presenters

Attorney **Anita Gallucci** is a partner at the Madison law firm of Boardman & Clark, LLP. Boardman & Clark has represented public power utilities for over 50 years. Anita advises municipal utilities on all facets of the energy business, including power contract negotiations, construction, asset transfer, territorial issues and regulatory compliance. Her work also includes telecommunications-related contracts, pole attachments, intergovernmental agreements and right-of-way issues. She has nearly 30 years of experience representing municipal utilities at the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission and the Federal Communications Commission, and in state courts.



Dale Romsos is a Project Manager/Design Leader with SEH, an engineering, architectural, environmental and planning company. He has extensive experience and brings expertise regarding carrier equipment and technical aspects of 5G installations.



Location

Kalahari Resort
1305 Kalahari Dr.
Wisconsin Dells, Wis.

A room block has been reserved. Please contact the MEUW Office at (608) 478-2528 for details.

Schedule

9:00 Continental Breakfast and Networking
9:30 Program Begins
12:00 Lunch and Wrap-up

Register online at meuw.org

Deadline: March 29

\$35 for MEUW members

