# PRACTITIONER PERSPECTIVES ON EVOLVING REGULATION

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#### MY PERSPECTIVE

Kansas Corporation Commission – Staff Attorney 2004-2007

Ameren Services Company and Ameren Missouri 2007-present– Different roles:

- Ameren Missouri
- Ameren Services (Illinois and FERC regulatory matters)

Have participated in many dockets and matters:

Gas and electric rate cases, Energy efficiency, Rulemakings, Legislative review and implementation, Transmission siting, Transmission OATT, Electric vehicles, Complaints, RPS, Pipeline safety, etc.



### **OVERARCHING THEMES**

Reliability

Markets and competition

Grid technology

Renewable energy advances

Environment and climate change

Customer impact and affordability

Job creation and infrastructure renewal

Regional economic development



### KEY TAKEAWAYS – WHAT WORKS

Policy reforms with a desired result

Honoring the regulatory compact

Checks and balances

Bill impact analysis

**ADR** 

Follow the facts

Fair and efficient regulatory processes

Off-ramps / flexibility

Keep at it – Make adjustments / incrementalism



### WHAT DOESN'T WORK

No defined policy objectives but rather ideological goals

Ignoring bill impacts

Partisanship and dependence on litigation/adversarial conflict to resolve issues

Rejection of incrementalism

Complacency / resistance to needed change

Waiting until something goes wrong

Tunnel vision



## WHERE ARE WE HEADED

Infrastructure for the electronic age and a decarbonized future

Infrastructure modernization

Technology

Jobs

Environment

Affordability

Diversity and equity

Thank you — Matt Tomc

