



***Joint 2023 Energy Briefing to Southern Legislative  
Leaders and  
Committee on Carbon Management Meeting  
Charleston, South Carolina***

**July 7, 2023**

6:00 p.m.: Members Dinner

**July 8, 2023**

8:00 a.m.: Breakfast

8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.: Briefing

## PRELIMINARY AGENDA

*Time allotments for speakers are subject to change.*

### ***Friday, July 7, 2023***

**Location:** Peninsula Grill  
112 North Market Street, Charleston, SC  
<https://peninsulagrill.com>

**6:00 p.m.** Members Dinner *(By Invitation Only)*

### ***Saturday, July 8, 2023***

**Location:** Riviera Theater  
227 King Street, Charleston, SC  
<https://therivierachs.com>

**8:00 a.m.** Registration & Continental Breakfast

**8:30 a.m.** Call to Order and Opening Remarks  
**Presiding:** *The Honorable William E. "Bill" Sandifer, III  
South Carolina House of Representatives  
Vice Chairman, Southern States Energy Board*

**Welcome to Charleston and CSG South!**  
*The Honorable Thomas C. Alexander  
President of the Senate, South Carolina  
Chairman, CSG South*

**A Preview of SSEB's 63<sup>rd</sup> Annual Meeting**

*Sym Singh*

*Director of Budget and Legislative Affairs, Office of the Governor, South Carolina  
Co-Chair, SSEB 63<sup>rd</sup> Annual Meeting Planning Committee*

- 9:00 a.m. Remarks from SSEB's Federal Representative**  
*The Honorable Jim Powell  
Federal Representative, Southern States Energy Board*
- 9:15 a.m. New Energy Ventures Benefit Southern States – Leadership in the South**  
*Dr. Benjamin Wernette  
Principal Scientist and Strategic Partnerships Lead  
Southern States Energy Board*
- 9:30 a.m. HOT Issues in Congress/The Administration/Federal Agencies Affecting the Southern States!**  
*Frederick Eames, Chair, Policy, Legal, and Regulatory Committee  
SSEB's CCUS Consortium, and Partner, Hunton Andrews Kurth*
- 10:00 a.m. 2023 Legislative Action in the States: A Roundtable Discussion**
- 10:50 a.m. Networking Break**
- 11:05 a.m. New Priorities and Strategic Progress in Carbon Management**  
*Joseph Giove, III  
Director, Business Operations, Office of Fossil Energy and Carbon Management  
U.S. Department of Energy*
- 11:30 a.m. Challenges to Commercializing Carbon Capture and Storage**  
*The Honorable Charles McConnell  
University of Houston Center for Carbon Management in Energy  
Former Assistant Secretary, U.S. Department of Energy*
- 11:55 a.m. Revitalizing the Nuclear Option: SMRs for Clean Living**  
*Andrew J. Paterson  
Principal, The Environmental Business Journal*
- 12:20 p.m. SSEB's Resolution Process – The Energy Voice of the South**  
*Kenneth J. Nemeth  
Secretary and Executive Director, Southern States Energy Board*
- Closing Remarks**  
*The Honorable William E. "Bill" Sandifer, III*
- 12:30 p.m. Adjourn**

