Legal & Regulatory Conference

LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA • OCT. 16-19, 2016

FEATURING

- Crisis Communications
- Employment Law
- FERC Updates and Supreme Court Rulings
- Western Markets Evolution
- Transmission Planning
- Cybersecurity
- Solar, Storage, Net Metering
- Legal Ethics

CO-HOSTS

Co-hosted by CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL UTILITIES ASSOCIATION, AMERICAN PUBLIC POWER ASSOCIATION, NCPA, and SCPA.
From Policy to Practice

The Legal & Regulatory Conference is an unparalleled professional development and networking opportunity for energy attorneys and regulatory personnel. Join us to get updates on federal legislative and regulatory changes impacting public power. Ask colleagues how they deal with the legal issues you contend with every day.

Who should attend

- In-house and general counsel
- Outside counsel
- Regulatory affairs specialists
- Compliance officers
- Senior and mid-level utility managers
- Elected and appointed officials who oversee utility policy

Visit www.PublicPower.org/Legal for more information and to register.
**Agenda at a Glance**

**Sunday, Oct. 16**

**PRECONFERENCE WORKSHOPS**

8:30 am – Noon Western Electricity Market Evolution and the CAISO Energy Imbalance Market

1:30 – 5 pm Legal Issues with Solar Development

5 – 6:30 pm Welcome Reception

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8:15 – 9 am Challenges Facing Public Power: APPA Board Chair Address

9 – 10 am Crisis Communications: A Strategic Approach for Utility Attorneys and Officials

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Preconference Workshops
Preconference workshops offer longer class times, smaller class sizes, and more opportunities to dive deep into topics with expert speakers. These workshops require separate registration and fees.

8:30 am – Noon

Western Electricity Market Evolution and the CAISO Energy Imbalance Market
Come and benefit from public power lessons learned in the trenches as you consider the real costs, benefits, and challenges of participating in the California Independent System Operator Corporation Energy Imbalance Market. Explore legal, practical, and policy implications for public power utilities and understand how markets structures may evolve. Hear about legal and other implementation issues arising from participation in the Energy Imbalance Market (EIM). Learn from recent studies conducted by the Balancing Authority of Northern California and the challenges to estimating potential benefits and assessing market and implementation costs, including utility systems development and additional staffing requirements. Get an update on efforts to form an RTO in the Western Interconnection.


1:30 – 5 pm

Legal Issues with Solar Development
Join us for an in-depth understanding of the legal and policy issues surrounding rebates and feed-in tariffs, utility-scale solar projects, community solar, rooftop solar, and utility-owned residential solar. Get a comprehensive view of net metering and the current litigation landscape around it—including whether utilities are required to offer it, reforms under consideration, and antitrust issues. Examine the value of solar tariffs, increase in connection charges, and use of demand charges. Discover the practical issues utilities and joint action agencies face in implementing solar. Learn how to balance what customers want with what the utility can deliver and how to handle procurement issues, contracts, and community relations.

Speakers: Mason Baker, General Counsel, Utah Associated Municipal Power Systems, Salt Lake City, Utah; Bill Greene, Partner, Stinson Leonard Street LLP, Minneapolis, Minn.; Scott Martin, Director, Resource Planning, Pricing & Commodity Risk Management, Sacramento Municipal Utility District, Calif.; Harvey Reiter, Partner, Stinson Leonard Street LLP, Washington, D.C.; and Carolyn Shellman, Executive Vice President & General Counsel, CPS Energy, San Antonio, Texas
5 – 6:30 pm

Welcome Reception

Enjoy hors d’oeuvres and drinks while you reconnect with old friends, meet new people, and network with public power lawyers and professionals from across the nation.

“Practical, insightful, and top-notch speakers. AND a great opportunity to network with other public power attorneys!”

Mrg Simon, Director, Legal
Missouri River Energy Services, Sioux Falls, S.D.
Monday, October 17

7:15 – 8:15 am

Networking Breakfast

Sponsored by GRIDLANCE

Start your day off right at this informal networking breakfast. No speakers or moderators—just a chance to visit with your peers.

8:15 – 9 am

Welcome & APPA Board Chair Address:
Challenges Facing Public Power

From increasing regulatory oversight to evolving cybersecurity threats; from changing customer preferences to exciting new technologies—the energy industry continues to be caught up in a wave of change. Learn how these changes impact your utility, and how you can remain nimble and flexible. Discover what it takes to be a leader in times of change and get ideas on what you can do to motivate your colleagues and introduce a culture of adaptability and innovation at your utility.

Boatright speaks from personal experience in managing extensive changes at public power utilities. As a veteran utility leader and an avid fitness trainer, he brings a unique and holistic perspective to leadership issues.

Speaker: Andrew Boatright, Chair, American Public Power Association Board of Directors, and Deputy Director, Independence Power & Light, Mo.

9 – 10 am

Crisis Communications: A Strategic Approach for Utility Attorneys and Officials

News travels fast—especially in a crisis. Whether it’s a crisis fueled by safety or environmental issues, or a fiscal or personnel matter—attorneys and their clients must be prepared to manage the media right away. Legal teams must prepare for the “court of public opinion” before going to a court of law—and try to forestall a situation from spawning a court case. Get the “damage control playbook” and discover a strategic approach to communicating with stakeholders in a variety of crises. Learn how to control the message and understand the media’s perspective so you can give them the right information at the right time.

Hennes is a veteran media specialist, who has taught crisis communications to law firms and bar associations across the U.S., as well as at the American Bar Association’s Leadership Conference.

Speaker: Bruce Hennes, Managing Partner, Hennes Communications, Cleveland, Ohio

10 – 10:15 am

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10:15 – 11 am

BREAKOUT SESSIONS

Crisis Communications: Tips and Tricks

Take a deeper dive into crisis communications and build on what you learned in the preceding general session. Understand what media expects of you and your clients during a crisis. Learn how to establish and maintain control of the message and reconcile your agenda with the reporter’s. Get tips on how to handle press interviews and make your points while answering questions. Discuss “off the record,” “not for attribution,” and other public relations techniques.

Speaker: Bruce Hennes, Managing Partner, Hennes Communications, Cleveland, Ohio

Western Markets Evolution: Public Power Impact

Get an update on the evolution of markets in the Western Interconnection and ramifications for public power—both within and outside of any expanding market footprint. See what’s happening with the growth of the Energy Imbalance Market, California Independent System Operator expansion into additional states under a proposed integration with PacifiCorp, and the creation of a multi-state full “Day Two” market. Learn about the governance of any new regional grid operator, migrating away from the current politically appointed CAISO board, transmission cost allocation and planning implications, balancing of carbon policies between California and coal-based states, and implications for state procurement policies.

Speaker: Tony Braun, Partner, Braun Blaising McLaughlin & Smith, P.C., Sacramento, Calif.

11 – 11:15 am

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BREAKOUT SESSIONS

Negotiating the Hoover Power Contract for the Next 50 Years

How will power from the Hoover Dam be managed from 2017 to 2067? Hear from panelists representing local and state government agencies in Nevada, California, and Arizona. Understand the legal history of Hoover power, the negotiation process used by the two federal agencies and 46 Hoover contractors, and discuss the risks posed by evolving energy markets and drought.

Speakers: Brittany Lewis-Robert, Associate, Somach Simmons & Dunn, Sacramento, Calif.; Ann Pongracz, Special Counsel, Attorney General, Colorado River Commission, Las Vegas, Nev.; and Joseph Vanderhorst, Senior Deputy General Counsel, Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, Los Angeles, Calif.

How to Grow Your Own Public Power Lawyer

Whether your utility contracts with an outside firm or has legal counsel on staff, the vital relationship between attorney and client must be intentionally developed and not left to chance. Learn why attorneys must understand the unique needs of the public power utility, and how the utility can ensure that key business, operational, and governance issues are addressed in a cost-effective manner. See why you should understand the mission and operations of the utility so you can serve as a counselor and problem solver, and proactively advise your client.

Speaker: Mrg Simon, Director, Legal, Missouri River Energy Services, Sioux Falls, S.D.

Noon – 1:15 pm
Lunch (on your own)
1:15 – 2:15 pm

**Distributed Energy Rates: Legal and Regulatory Issues**

Electric utilities are implementing a number of methods and rate designs to ensure appropriate cost recovery from customers installing distributed generating resources and prevent shifting costs to other ratepayers while appropriately compensating for the value of the distributed generation. Explore trends driving electric utilities across the United States to reconsider their electric rate design, focusing specifically on legal and regulatory issues you should consider when reviewing your rate design.

**Speaker:** Mark Beauchamp, President, Utility Financial Solutions, Holland, Mich.

2:15 – 2:30 pm

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2:30 – 3:15 pm

**BREAKOUT SESSIONS**

**Subsidizing New and Existing Generation: Needed Investment or Consumer Exploitation?**

Join experts in analyzing the Hughes v. Talen Energy Supreme Court decision and the implications for ongoing FERC proceedings challenging capacity market designs in various RTOs/ISOs, as well as state initiatives to subsidize generation. Explore utility proposals before states to subsidize uneconomic existing generating resources, the effect on competitive markets, and efforts to thwart these subsidy efforts—EPSA complaints at FERC against AEP and FirstEnergy; AEP and FirstEnergy proposals before the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio; utility efforts in West Virginia, Illinois, and New York to obtain retail consumer subsidies for old, uneconomic generating plants; and the Calpine complaint before FERC seeking to extend the Minimum Offer Price Rule proposal to existing resources.

**Speakers:** Denise Goulet, Special Counsel, McCarter & English, Washington, D.C.; and Andrea Sarmentero Garzón, Attorney, Jennings, Strouss & Salmon, Washington, D.C.

**Bond Counsel Update**

Get insight from tax and bond counsel on current regulatory and legislative developments affecting public power utilities. Explore recent and proposed regulatory changes affecting tax-exempt and other tax-advantaged bond issues, and get an update on current legislative activity. Discuss SEC enforcement actions and the Municipalities Continuing Disclosure Cooperation Initiative. Understand the importance of good primary and secondary market disclosures, and efforts by market participants to improve issuer compliance with federal laws.

**Speakers:** Elizabeth Columbo, Partner, Public Finance Group, Nixon Peabody, New York, N.Y.; and Larry Sobel, Partner, Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe, Los Angeles, Calif.
Monday, October 17

3:15 – 3:30 pm
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**BREAKOUT SESSIONS**

**NERC Reliability Standards and Enforcement**

Reliability compliance is often the last thing a utility thinks about, but this is a costly oversight. Learn about critical NERC reliability standards and enforcement trends as well as implications for smaller scale and renewable assets. Get an understanding of how regulatory trends based on the reliability concepts behind the NERC standards are driving changes for distribution, operating, and cyber assets outside the bulk electric system.


**Combining Solar and Storage: Contract Issues**

Explore the legal intricacies of the first public power solar-plus-storage project in the U.S. A private developer built and owns the project, but the host public power utility enjoys the benefits of behind-the-meter renewable energy generation and local energy storage. The developer sells frequency regulation service from the energy storage system to an organized RTO market and the revenues enable the utility to purchase the solar energy at a reduced price. Discuss contract issues and the terms of the renewable power purchase agreement and lease agreement. Examine issues relating to the energy storage system—recharging, use for peak shaving, and use to enhance the utility’s reactive power, voltage control, and overall power quality.

*Speaker: Gregg Ottinger, Partner, Duncan & Allen, Washington, D.C.*

4:15 – 4:30 pm
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4:30 – 5:15 pm

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Seeing Eye-to-Eye on CEII: Protecting Critical Information and Conflicting Security Regulations

On June 16, 2016, FERC issued a NOPR implementing federal legislation that created yet another layer of protected utility industry related information—Critical Electric Infrastructure Information. Explore these new CEII regulations, as well as Department of Homeland Security, NERC, and Regional Entity rules and regulations requiring public utilities to protect certain types of critical infrastructure information. Discuss utility obligations to protect information vs. maintain confidentiality and where the legal or contractual authority to enforce it resides. Examine the potential conflict between federal and state public record laws.

Speakers: Dan O’Hagan, Associate General Counsel, and Amanda Swindle, Counsel I, Florida Municipal Power Agency, Tallahassee, Fla.

Employment Law Axioms

Whether you’re a non-employment lawyer or frontline supervisor, come and learn how to keep employment law issues from draining utility budgets and morale. Discover why most employment law problems are caused by a small set of recurring circumstances and players. See how 5 percent of employees cause 95 percent of your problems. Get help in guiding your clients and colleagues through the morass of statutory and regulatory employment law, and discuss problems and solutions with colleagues who face similar issues and an employment law expert.

Speaker: Todd Stanton, Principal, Stanton Law LLC, Atlanta, Ga.

5:15 – 6:30 pm

Reception

Kick back at this informal reception. Make connections, relax with your colleagues and have a drink with the experts.
Tuesday, October 18

7:30 – 8:30 am

Networking Breakfast
Make the most of your time away with this informal breakfast. All conference participants are welcome.

7:30 – 8:30 am

Women in Public Power Breakfast
Join your colleagues to discuss the growing influence of women in public power. Make connections, share challenges and opportunities, and ignite conversations.

8:30 – 9:15 am

FERC Regulatory Update
Hear an overview of current FERC regulatory issues of interest to public power, including energy and capacity market matters, transmission development and rate issues, PURPA, bulk-power system reliability, and recent proposed rulemakings and orders. Emerging jurisdictional and federalism issues will be noted. Recent significant court decisions will also be covered.

Speakers: Randy Elliott, Senior Regulatory Counsel, and Delia Patterson, General Counsel & Vice President, Human Resources & Administration, American Public Power Association, Arlington, Va.

9:15 – 10 am

Federal Legislative Update
Get an update on critical issues facing public power in the 114th Congress and the outlook for action on these issues for the remainder of the year. Issues include comprehensive energy legislation, Environmental Protection Agency regulations, wholesale electricity markets, the federal role in cyber and physical security, continued access to tax-exempt financing, and the federal power program.

Speaker: Desmarie Waterhouse, Vice President of Government Relations & Counsel, American Public Power Association, Arlington, Va.

10 – 10:15 am

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**FERC Trilogy at the Supreme Court**

It's been 80 years since Congress created a federal energy regulatory body but the division of authority between states and FERC remains a source of controversy. The Supreme Court recently issued three decisions on this issue: OneOK (2015), Electric Power Supply Association (2016), and Hughes (2016). Join the experts to review these three cases, examine the jurisdictional divide in light of the court’s holdings and ongoing changes in the industry, and assess whether anything has changed for public power utilities.


11:15 am – 12:15 pm

**Transmission Ownership and Development: Legal and Strategic Opportunities**

Discover opportunities for public power utilities to participate and invest in transmission ownership and development. Review the history transmission ownership by public power utilities and the challenges that ownership helps to overcome. Discover the benefits of participating in transmission and review various business models for transmission ownership and development by public power utilities. Examine other considerations associated with owning transmission such as rate implications, incentives, operating in an RTO, and FERC/NERC compliance obligations.

*Speakers: Alejandro Bautista, Counsel, American Transmission Company, Madison, Wis.; Dan Ebert, President, The Ebert Group, Cross Plains, Wis.; Phil Sussler, General Counsel, Connecticut Municipal Electric Energy Cooperative, Norwich, Conn.; and Noman Williams, Senior Vice President of Engineering & Operations/Chief Operating Officer, GridLiance, Chicago, Ill.*

12:15 – 1:30 pm

**Lunch (on your own)**
1:30 – 3 pm

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**Labor and Employment Law Updates**

Learn about significant labor and employment law developments and discuss how these laws may be impacted by the presidential election. Understand the Department of Labor’s new overtime rules for non-exempt employees and discuss if your exempt employees are truly exempt. Ensure that your employee handbook passes legal muster. Review a range of issues—the EEOC’s new EEO-1 report obligations, expanding legal protections for LGBT employees, accommodations for pregnant employees and persons with disabilities, religious discrimination and accommodations, outsourced contract workers, wellness plan compliance, and factoring in criminal history in hiring decisions.


2:15 – 3 pm

**A–Z of Effective Internal Investigations**

Your utility may be compelled to conduct an internal investigation in a variety of situations—criminal matters, employment issues, allegations of financial misconduct, trade secret thefts, etc. Learn the dos and don’ts of conducting effective internal investigations in a business setting. Get a blueprint for assembling, initiating, and conducting an internal corporate investigation. Review the details of logistics, staffing, management, and other execution issues. Discuss potential problems and legal pitfalls such as avoiding waiver of the attorney-client and work product privileges. Leave with all you need to know to establish a company protocol to conduct an effective internal investigation.

*Speaker: John Munich*, Partner, Stinson Leonard Street LLP, St. Louis, Mo.

“Every year, I bring back valuable insights from presentations and networking opportunities that far exceed the cost of attending.”

—John McClure, Vice President & General Counsel, Nebraska Public Power District, Columbus, Neb.
Implementing FERC Order 1000: The Future of Transmission

Now that FERC Order 1000 compliance filings have been submitted, attention is turning to the effects of implementation. Come and learn how federal and state policies, regional processes, stakeholder participation, and market changes are affecting transmission rates, planning, seams, and competition across the country. Understand where FERC’s transmission policies may be heading. See why and how you should participate, through a discussion of FERC’s competitive transmission development technical conference (AD16-18) and various proposals that implicate the Federal Power Act (e.g., EL15-86).

Speakers: Jason Gray, Shareholder, and Bhaveeta Mody, Shareholder, Duncan, Weinberg, Genzer & Pembroke, P.C., Washington, D.C.; and Ed Tatum, Vice President, Transmission, American Municipal Power, Columbus, Ohio

Breakout Sessions

Telecommunications Issues for Non-Telecom Utilities

Telecommunications regulations are not just for telecom carriers. Some of these regulations also apply to non-telecom utilities that use communications services and equipment, and wireless devices and spectrum. Failing to understand this can prove expensive. Come and get an overview of telecom issues that impact your utility, and identify problem areas you can address to prevent them from escalating into real liabilities. Experts will walk you through relevant Federal Communications Commission regulations and discuss real-world situations where non-telecom companies were subjected to enforcement actions or civil lawsuits for violating FCC rules.

Primary Frequency Response:
Challenges of a Changing Resource Mix

The changing mix of generation resources increases the need for primary frequency response to maintain reliability, while reducing our capability to meet that need. Spurred by concerns that it can’t wait for NERC’s 2018 report on the effectiveness of a new reliability standard, FERC’s recent NOI identifies wide-ranging potential actions, including new interconnection-wide mechanisms to optimize frequency response. Join the experts to discuss whether this can become the camel’s nose. Explore reliability, economic, and regulatory challenges that can stem from how FERC exercises its Federal Power Act Section 215 and 205/206 jurisdiction and the potential for expansion through FERC v. EPSA’s “directly affected” language.

Speakers: Cindy Bogorad, Partner, and Latif Nurani, Associate, Spiegel & McDiarmid LLP, Washington, D.C.

4 – 4:15 pm
Break

4:15 – 5:15 pm

Think Before You Post: Social Media and Attorney Ethics

Do you blog, tweet, or post on other social media? Or do you avoid social media at all costs? Do you understand the ethical issues surrounding social media? State bars and courts have been imposing sanctions on attorneys both for their use of social media as well as for their lack of knowledge and use of available social media information. Review the recent case law and disciplinary hearings on social media. Catch up with the latest developments (and what questions have yet to be answered) and understand why you ignore social media at your peril.

Speaker: Christine Guerci-Nyhus, Deputy Attorney General, Colorado River Commission, Las Vegas, Nev.
Wednesday, October 19

7:30 – 8:30 am

Networking Breakfast

Take this opportunity to make some more connections so you can keep the conversations going after the conference at this final, informal breakfast.

8:30 – 10 am

BREAKOUT SESSIONS

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Grid Security: New Federal Authority and Information Sharing

After nearly a decade of gridlock on grid security issues, Congress passed the Cybersecurity Act of 2015 and the FAST Act. The new laws enhance the role of the Department of Homeland Security in facilitating information sharing, empower the Department of Energy to issue emergency orders in the event of grid security emergencies, and provide for a National Strategic Transformer Reserve Plan. This new authority layers on top of increased efforts by FERC and NERC to manage grid security. Hear the latest developments in grid resilience, data privacy, and physical, supply chain and data security. Get strategies for managing this new authority while building a robust security plan for your utility. Discuss how to effectively share information with the government, while managing privacy concerns.

Speakers: Russ Frisby, Partner, and Jon Schneider, Partner, Stinson Leonard Street LLP, Washington, D.C.

9:15 – 10 am

Cybersecurity: An Enterprise Risk Management Approach

Protecting information systems is a prime concern for your utility. But it’s not easy to apply risk management to cyber systems that are subject to evolving risks from data breaches, rapidly expanding ransomware threats, state-sponsored attacks, connected device attacks, and kinetic attacks that can damage economy, property, and life. Learn about these threats and how to assess and mitigate risk. Discuss issues ranging from attack vectors and key vulnerabilities to incident response planning and the role of counsel.

Speakers: Guillermo Christensen, Senior Associate, and Douglas Henkin, Partner, Baker Botts LLP, Washington, D.C. and New York, N.Y.
The Future of Hydropower: Threats and Opportunities

Federal dam projects—with preference sales to public power utilities—were promoted to help settle the Western U.S., put people to work during the Great Depression, and supply power to support war efforts. In recent decades, an increasing emphasis on environmental and species conservation has threatened to reduce the future output of federal hydropower projects. On the flip side, environmental concerns are making hydropower an increasingly valuable renewable resource. What has public power learned from history and what does the future hold? Will we see further reductions or are there win-win solutions? Join us to understand the implications across the country.

Speakers: Scott Corwin, Executive Director, Public Power Council, Portland, Ore.; Ryan Donovan, Associate General Counsel, Platte River Power Authority, Fort Collins, Colo.; and Lynn Jeka, Colorado River Storage Project Manager, Western Area Power Administration, Lakewood, Colo.

Ethical Considerations for Government Lawyers

While lawyers representing a government entity, including a public power utility, are subject to the same rules of legal ethics and professional responsibility as other lawyers, government practice presents special ethical considerations. Understand what these special considerations are and the model rules, statutes, and agency regulations that govern them. Get a sense of the special duties and unique tensions these special ethical considerations can create for both government lawyers—and those who work with them.

Speaker: Jeff Dennis, Senior Counsel, Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP, Washington, D.C.
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**APPA Members**

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- Long Beach Airport (LGB) - approx. 11 miles from the Hyatt Regency Long Beach
- Los Angeles International Airport (LAX) - approx. 22 miles from the hotel
- Orange County John Wayne Airport (SNA) - approx. 24 miles from the hotel

Climate & Attire

The average daily high temperature for Long Beach, Calif., for the dates of the conference 77° F with an average daily low of 58° F. Since meeting room temperatures vary, please prepare to dress for cool conditions. The attire for the conference is business casual.
**Hotel**

**Hyatt Regency Long Beach**
200 South Pine Ave.
Long Beach, CA 90802

**Room Rate**
$229 Single/Double, plus taxes

**Reservations**
Please make reservations directly with the Hyatt Regency Long Beach.

**Online:** Visit www.PublicPower.org/Legal under “Hotel”

**By phone:** 1-888-421-1442; be sure to mention the group code: APPA

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September 23, 2016

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Check in: 4 pm
Check out: Noon

**Parking**
Self-parking: $26 daily; Valet parking: $29.

**Internet Access**
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