



Chairman Andrew Fay, and Commissioner Gabriella Passidomo SPEAK AT THE Florida's Women in Energy Leadership Forum

Since 2016, Florida's Women in Energy Leadership Forum has met annually to celebrate the success women leaders in the energy industry have demonstrated in growing Florida's economy and diversifying the workforce. The Forum was launched by former Florida Public Service Commission Chairman Lila Jaber to inform, inspire, and motivate others to work in the energy sector.

Students interested in pursuing a career in the energy industry had the opportunity to attend the Forum, learn from leaders, and network with participants.



This year's Forum, held in August, was themed #Build!: "We build. We build secure reliable energy infrastructure that ensures a resilient grid. We hire and build world class talent creating rewarding careers with high-wage jobs. We build upon a thriving economy contributing to the nation's economy. We build energy. We build opportunity. We build economic empowerment. #Build!"

Chairman Andrew Fay opened the Forum with "A Perspective: #Build a Constructive Regulatory Environment." Chairman Fay discussed how the Commission and its staff work with all parties—including customers—to thoroughly examine and analyze the decisions that come before them. During his tenure, Chairman Fay redesigned and updated the Commission's website to make it more consumer friendly and increased transparency for the public by introducing and discussing all docketed items recommended for decision at every Commission Conference.

Commissioner Gabriella Passidomo moderated a panel discussion on "Build Energy Within Community." Commissioner Passidomo engaged panelists, who represented the natural gas and electric industries, to describe how they foster community goodwill, which is important to build a positive reputation and create customer satisfaction. Panelists shared their use of customer education programs, community partnerships, and employee engagement as a few of the many ways that they are 'building energy' within their local communities.