## **Panelist Biographies**

## **Panel 1: Focus on Renewable Energy**

**Ashten Bailey** is a Staff Attorney with GreenLaw where she focuses Clean Air and Energy, specifically on implementation of the Clean Air Act and addressing pollution from coal fired power plants. She is a graduate of Emory University School of Law, and received her undergraduate degree from Smith College. While in law school, she worked as a student attorney with the Turner Environmental Law Clinic, and served as an intern for Region IV of the EPA.

**Jamie Barber** is the Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Manager within the Internal Consultants Section of the Georgia Public Service Commission. She holds a Bachelor of Business Administration in Accounting and a Master of Business Administration with a concentration in Finance from the University of West Georgia. She has been employed at the Commission since 1993 and has held her current position since 2010.

James Marlow is the CEO and Founder of Radiance Solar. Marlow has 25 years high tech sales and marketing experience with Computerland, Lotus Development, IBM, and Yahoo. He is the founder of Internet startup, Anything Southern.com and was a candidate for United States Congress in the 10th District of Georgia. Marlow also serves on the Board of Directors for the Georgia Solar Energy Association, the GA Technology Association SmartGrid Society and the Ga Chamber of Commerce Energy and Environment Committee. James is certified by NABCEP for PV Technical Sales PVTS073011-34, and holds a BA from GA Southern University.

**Jeff Pratt** is the President of Green Power EMC. Green Power was launched in 2003 as the first renewable energy program in Georgia and is now one of the largest renewable energy programs in the southeastern United States. Today, 38 of Georgia's memberowned electric cooperatives have signed on with Green Power EMC, representing approximately 3 million Georgians who now have the power to help the environment by using clean, green energy. To date, Green Power EMC has generated 125 million kilowatt-hours of green energy.

## **Panel 2: Focus on Energy Efficiency**

**Kevin Kelly** serves as a policy advisor to Southface and is a principal with Kirkwood & Kelly Consulting, where he assists clients with projects in the areas of natural resources and utilities. Kevin formerly served as the Water Resources Division Director for the Georgia Environmental Finance Authority (GEFA). Prior to his work with Water

Resources Division, Kevin served as the Deputy Director of the Division of Energy Resources at GEFA. Kevin came to GEFA from the Environmental Protection Division of Georgia, where he was a Policy and Planning Advisor on energy issues in the Director's office. Kelly and his wife, Jessica, reside in Decatur with their two children.

**Jennifer Layke** is Executive Director of Johnson Controls' Institute for Building Efficiency, a global initiative to provide information and analyses on the technologies, policies, and practices that can deliver high performance buildings around the world. Jennifer leads the Institute's research and collaborations with global experts and supports strategic planning on corporate energy and sustainability goals.

Jennifer's experience includes 12 years at the World Resources Institute where she was deputy director of the Climate and Energy Program where she founded The Green Power Market Development Group, managed corporate partnerships focused on GHG reduction strategies, and was the lead for WRI's participation in USCAP. She has an A.B. in Asian Studies/Political Studies from Pitzer College in Claremont, CA, and a M.S. and MBA from the University of Michigan. In 1990, she was awarded a Thomas J. Watson Foundation fellowship for a year of sociology research in Singapore, Malaysia and Taiwan.

**Mandy Mahoney** has served as president of the Southeast Energy Efficiency Alliance since March 2013. SEEA's mission is to drive market transformation in the Southeast's energy efficiency sector through collaborative public policy, thought leadership, programs and technical advisory services. SEEA serves 11 states in the Southeast from Virginia to Arkansas to Florida.

In advance of joining SEEA, Mandy served as director of sustainability for the City of Atlanta under Mayors Reed and Franklin. She holds a master's degree in environmental management from Duke University, and earned a law degree and a bachelor's degree in biology and environmental studies from Emory University.

Michele A. Wagner has been the Director of Energy Efficiency at Georgia Power since December 2012. In this role she is responsible for providing leadership and strategic direction for the Energy Efficiency Organization which includes Energy Efficiency, Value Services, and Education & Training. Michele started her career with Kawneer Company where she held numerous positions in Marketing Research and Planning, then joined Georgia Power in 1996 as Strategic Marketing Team Leader. A few years later Michele moved to Southern Company Services as the Marketing Strategy Manager, then returned to Georgia Power, serving in a number of roles, until most recently as the Manager of Transmission Project Management.

A native of Locust Valley, New York, Michele obtained a BA in Biological Sciences from Binghamton University, SUNY and an MBA from Emory University. She also completed the Harvard Professional Leadership Development program. She has served as a board member for Communities in Schools of Atlanta and is the founder of the North Fulton Area Chapter of Citizens of Georgia Power.