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**The Shpigler Group to Participate in Smart Grid Symposium**

MONTEBELLO, NY, February 3, 2009 – David Shpigler of The Shpigler Group will participate on a panel discussion during the New Mexico State University's Center for Public Utilities, Current Issues 2009 Conference in Santa Fe, scheduled to be held March 15-18, 2009. Commissioner Phyllis Reha of the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission will moderate panel #1 on March 16, 2009, entitled, *The Resources: What Energy Supply Options Do We Have Going Forward, and How Do They Compare?* The panel will include:

- David Shpigler, The Shpigler Group: SmartWatt speaker ----- SmartGrid feasibility, cost, contribution to load reduction and/or load management
- Tom Smith, Oglethorpe Power, BaseWatt speaker ---- will address nuclear, coal and natural gas baseload fuel options; costs, benefits, risks, advantages, issues and feasibility of each.
- Ralph Cavanaugh, Natural Resources Defense Council: GreenWatt speaker ---- will address all renewable options; costs/benefits/issues/needs of each.
- Stacy Angel, Environmental Power Agency: NegaWatt speaker ---- will address "maximum energy efficiency potential", best practices, and low-hanging fruit
- George Schreiber, Semco Inc.: BlueFlame speaker ---- the implications of electric generation fuel choice on the natural gas industry and its end-users.

Information about the conference can be found [here](#).

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