

INSIDER NEWSLETTER

VALUE IN ATTENDING THE 2026 IMEA ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING & VENDOR EXPO

Attending the 2026 IMEA Annual Business Meeting & Vendor Expo offers a concentrated environment for professional development, allowing you to quickly discover industry trends, earn continuing education, and gain fresh perspectives. It is a prime opportunity to connect with peers facing similar challenges, pitch ideas to experts, and build a valuable network of mentors and potential collaborators.

The ultimate investment depends on you and your dedication to learning new things.

- **Learning & Development:** Access new tools, hear from leading researchers, and bring actionable insights back to your team.
- **Networking:** Discussions in technical workshops can be particularly valuable for utility-building and overcoming specific hurdles.
- **Career Advancement:** Presenting your work and representing your company enhances your work ethic and positions you as a thought leader in your discipline.



IMEA Annual Business Meeting & Recognition Awards Banquet

Annually, the Indiana Municipal Electric Association recognizes individuals whose work has made a positive impact in both their Utility & Community. Honorees are recognized at the IMEA Annual Business Meeting Recognition Awards Banquet.

Award categories include:

The Frank R. Rudolph Award

The IMEA Frank R. Rudolph Award, the association's most prestigious honor. Named after Francis R. Rudolph, was utility manager in Greendale, Indiana, for more than 38 years and the award is given to individuals who make significant contributions to public power in Indiana. It is the highest award granted by the association and is bestowed in recognition of exceptional leadership in and dedication to public power.

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Distinguished Service Award

The IMEA distinguished service award is an award given to recognize exceptional contributions and services to the IMEA organization.

Safety Award of Excellence

The IMEA Safety Award of Excellence recognizes Member Utilities that exhibit a continued commitment to jobsite safety and whose safety performance and programs are judged to be exemplary by the organization. Factors that are considered when selecting the award winners include a record of excellence over multiple years of leadership, employee safety status as well as repetition in safety education and training.

Value in IMEA Associate Member Expo

The IMEA Associate Member Expo is an exciting event where member businesses, innovators, and entrepreneurs come together to showcase their products and services in a place buzzing with energy, filled with eye-catching displays, live demonstrations, and endless networking opportunities. A statewide industry trade show, expos serve as a powerful platform for brands to connect with potential customers.

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FEATURED SPEAKERS: 2026 IMEA ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING & VENDOR EXPO



Otto W. Buzz Krohn
Executive Partner
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Session Topics

- Overview of Municipal Electric Utility Financial & Reporting Requirements – BEST PRACTICES
- Financial Statement Analysis & Interpretation – BEST PRACTICES
- Fair, Just & Non-Discriminatory Electric Rates & Charges – WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?
- Past & Present Regulatory Requirements & Environment
- Current Issues Facing the Electric Industry – Keeping Pace with AI Data Centers



Laura Lee Hites
Keynote Speaker

Session Topics

Leadership
Accountability &
Ethics



Gary Grubbs,
EUDS Consulting

Session Topic

Pole Attachment
Agreements



2026 IMEA Annual Business Meeting & Vendor Expo

REGISTRATION IS AVAILABLE !

IMEA Annual Business Meeting & Vendor Expo provides an opportunity to learn from industry experts and network with peers. It attracts all levels of the Indiana utility professionals and staff from member communities, as well as IMEA staff.

The conference features educational sessions on technical programs focused on the utility industry. It also provides an opportunity to collaborate with other utilities one on one during the IMEA business meeting.

In order to make sure that all guest are provided hotel room availability we ask that you reserve your room ahead of time. This way we are able to keep track of quantity and increase the group block if needed.

We need your voice to be heard & your experience of the Public Power Industry to share with others during the IMEA Annual Business meeting.

We Look Forward to Your Participation!



13 - 15 October, 2026



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- DOL Journeyman Lineworker Apprentice Program
- Annual Business Meeting & Vendor Expo
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- Public Power Promotions
- Rate Services and Intervention
- News Publications
- Operation & Management
- Member Directory
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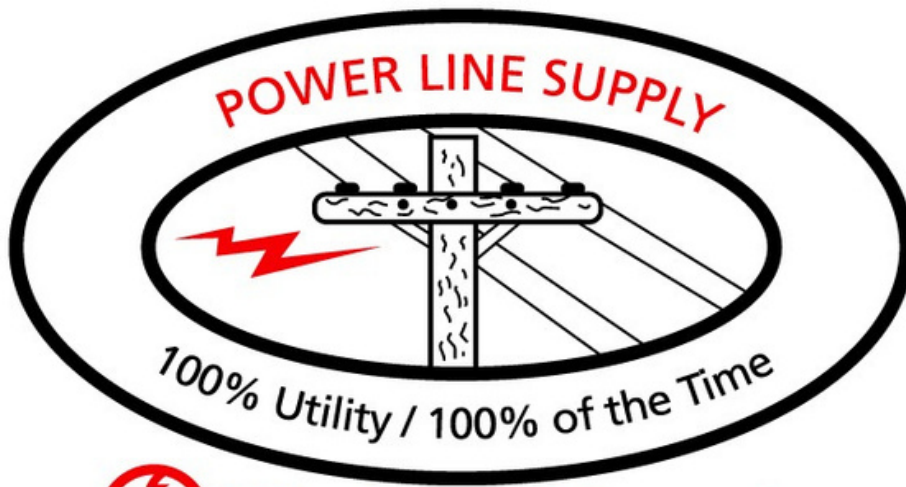
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WHY YOU SHOULD CHOOSE IMEA LINEMAN TRAINING INSTITUTE

- Better Student-to-Instructor Ratio at 10:1 versus larger schools
- Each lineman instructor has at least 20+ years of experience
- Diverse instructor staff. Many of our linemen have not only over 30 years' experience but are well versed in substation, overhead distribution, underground utility construction, and transmission.
- Our instructors are patient, knowledgeable, constructive, and collaborative with students-not adversarial.
- In-house FULL CDL training and testing facilities. This cannot be emphasized enough as obtaining a CDL is critical to job placement, and IMEA makes obtaining a CDL very easy and affordable versus other programs. MOST schools will help you only obtain the permit versus earning the entire CDL. We do ALL of the training and TESTING in-house, on-site.
- Job placement services and career planning services.
- IMEA is a Non-Profit Organization, unlike other schools so we can provide the same training at a significantly lower cost.
- On-site lodging.

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OUR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES



Personal Protection Equipment and Procedures

Students will learn about safety working procedures and personal protection equipment.



Electrical Systems

Students will learn the basics of the entire electrical system from generation through transmission, distribution, and conversion.



Basic Electricity

The students will be taught the fundamentals of practical and mathematical application of Direct Current and Alternating Current.



Transformers

Students will learn how and why transformers are used, banked, energized and the various configurations of both Delta and Wye.



Personal Protective Grounding

Students will learn how and why companies work on transmission and distribution lines as well as all equipment and methods used when working.



Rigging And Knot Tying

Students will learn how to tie specific knots, splice rope and learn the proper use of various ropes, slings, block and tackle.

Why Us?

Are You Ready To Begin Your Career Ahead Of Your Competitors?

Our lineman school program will allow you to begin your career ahead of all the rest. Our students have experience performing the jobs of a lineworker, as well as obtaining professional knowledge of the industry while they proceed through our program. Our students are well equipped to stand out from the interview to the actual job. Our program will provide an outlet for electric companies to search for new qualified applicants.

Our students will be able to enter the industry with the technical skills that their employers can't pass up!

Do you want to learn from Experienced and Knowledgeable Linemen?

The lineman school instructors at IMEA Lineman Training Institute have extensive real-world experience in power generation, transmission and distribution. Their exceptional understanding of the industry and what companies are looking for makes our program a cut above other school. Our students will have hands-on experience in the trade and be coached in problem-solving skills in order to help them excel in their work.

Do you want to be able to graduate and have the opportunities for immediate positions anywhere? Then this trade is the right career for you. IMEA Lineman Training Institute provides its lineman school graduates with a listing of municipalities that will be useful in your search. Our instructor's connections with the leaders of the trade will also give the students of IMEA Lineman Training Institute the upper hand at finding a career. Our students will be trained, not only to look for the job, but to find jobs. A career planning class is required to help our students create a resume and learn to find their own jobs.

So is it what you're looking for?



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