

# *Regional Planning for Electricity*

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*Working Together...*



## *Hurdles to States Working Cooperatively*

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- States are primarily focused on their individual needs
- Special interest groups not recognizing all costs or all benefits
- Not accustomed to so doing
- No mechanisms in place

## *Reasons to Work Together*

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- Economies of scale
- Increased reliability
- Economic benefits to region
- Stated goals of the federal government (including climate change)
- Promised outcomes of RPM not being realized
- Potential availability of federal funding

## *Possible Solutions*

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- Created an independent entity with the authority to enter into mutually beneficial agreements
- Grant PJM the authority to recommend generation siting to states