TIMOTHY J. LINDAHL

Innovative Executive Leader

PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Diverse executive with over 30 years of executive management experience in the agricultural, information technology, telecommunications, and energy industries. Skilled at diplomatically and strategically implementing programs and improvements by establishing relationships and common vision to drive a culture of innovation, adaptation, performance, and operational improvement.

EXPERIENCE

2023 To Current

Kenergy Corp.

President and CEO

Kenergy is an electric and fiber optic utility based in Western Kentucky. Revenue in 2024 exceed \$365M. Kenergy is governed by an eleven-person board of directors. Infrastructure includes 7,255 miles of energized electric infrastructure, serving fourteen counties. We started a fiber to the home project in 2023, investing over \$180M during the project to allow fiber broadband to be available to every Kenergy member. Since my start, we have constructed 3,500 miles of fiber and now serve 13,600 homes and business with broadband. This foundational communication allows the leverage of smart grid applications in addition to further integrations of consumer owned distributed energy resources through DER to Market, and resilience management. Kenergy is regulated by the Kentucky Public Service Commission. We are one of three owners of Big Rivers Electric Corporation.

B.E.T.H. Institute

Advisor

The BETH Institute (Broadband, Energy, Technology, and Home) is organized as a 501c3 community foundation. BETH's mission is to create a nexus of partnerships in communities to drive innovation around quality of life and sustainability by leveraging utility, telecommunication, technology, and community partners to create comprehensive solutions that leverage the strengths of many. Working with private and public grants, B.E.T.H.'s goal is to leverage multiple financial resources to create a community value that is greater than the individual funding can provide independently.

Kentucky Electric Cooperatives

Board of Director, Vice Chairman Elect.

The Kentucky Electric Cooperatives (KEC) serve 35% of the Common Wealth's population in 117 of Kentucky's 120 counties. KEC represents utilities in charge of 100,000 miles of electric infrastructure and over 3,100 utility employees. KEC produces Kentucky Living Magazine, the largest circulation publication in the state, which is distributed monthly to a readership of over one million. Beyond legislative and regulatory advocacy, KEC also includes the Rural Cooperative Credit Union and United Utility

<u>Supply</u>. Service included the Legislative, Governance, and Executive Committees of the board.

United Utility Supply

Board of Director

United Utility Supply (UUS) is a leading material supply organization serving the electric utility market in 20 states. Material is distributed from eight distribution centers in Illinois, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Virgina, Alabama, and Kentucky.

Big Rivers Electric Corporation

Advisor to the Board of Directors

Big Rivers Electric Corporation is a member-owned, not-for-profit, generation and transmission cooperative (G&T) headquartered in Owensboro, KY. They provide wholesale electric power and services to three distribution cooperative members across 22 counties in western Kentucky. The three member-owners of Big Rivers serve more than 120,000 members.

Big Rivers owns and operates 936 net MW of generating capacity from three power stations: Robert D. Green (454 MW), Robert Reid CT (65 MW), and D.B. Wilson (417 MW). Total power capacity is 1,114 MW, including contracted capacity from the Southeastern Power Administration (SEPA). They operate and maintain a 1,353 mile transmission system and provide for transmission of power to our members as well as third-party entities served under the Open Access Transmission Tariff.

2022 To 2023

Holy Cross Lutheran Church of Wichita Kansas and School

Business Manager

Holy Cross is a 2,000-member organization. The largest outreach of the church was our Pk-8 school with 270 registered students. This full-time role served both the church and school as the oversight of human resources for 68 staff members, finance, facilities for both the expanding church and school complex, marketing and media, and information and technology services. The role included serving as an Ex-Officio member of the governance boards and commissions, which allowed for cross pollination of organizational strategies to be developed.

Aerinet Solutions

Strategic Advisor

Aerinet is a leader in utility data visualization and artificial intelligence, helping electric utilities improve reliability, security, and efficiency. This contract consultant role served as the liaison between utilities and the Aerinet team to help develop and implement strategies around data and around merging data, technology, and AI for energy innovation.

Chief Executive Officer

Butler Electric Cooperative Association is a not-for-profit electric utility governed by a seven-member elected board of trustees. Butler serves the growth around the Wichita, Kansas metropolitan area in addition to rural areas of the state. We installed two utility scale solar projects and used existing solar and other generation to help reliability and cost containment. We began leveraging our communication subsidiaries to create innovative member energy management programs. Our service around Wichita allowed for opportunity to create new paradigms in energy and communication services in the neighborhoods they serve.

Butler's division and subsidiary included <u>Velocity Broadband</u> and Regional Media Corporation. Both were set up to facilitate a very rapidly growing member and non-member broadband buildout as well as supporting Butler's investment in energy generation, including their utility scale solar facilities. These entities were critical for meeting the broadband communication needs of the membership during the Covid era.

Kansas Electric Power Cooperative

Board of Trustee

KEPCO is a generation and transmission organization with ownership in nuclear, coal, solar, and gas facilities, in addition to receiving power from the federal hydro system. KEPCO provides wholesale electricity to sixteen distribution utilities in the eastern two-thirds of Kansas, who in turn serve over 200,000 people's electrical needs. Service included the Finance and Audit Committee of the board.

El Dorado Inc.

Board of Director

El Dorado, Inc. works to strengthen and advance economic development in the El Dorado, KS community through marketing and other economic development strategies.

2005 To 2021

Wheat Belt Public Power

Chief Executive Officer - 2008 - 2021

Wheat Belt is a not-for-profit electric distribution utility in western Nebraska, governed by a seven-member elected board of directors. We implemented strategies to bring our retail rates to a very competitive level; lowest in our G&T group in Nebraska despite being the second highest infrastructure per meter of the group. We accomplished this through technological integrations, a focus on data analytics, debt structures which took advantage of historic low interest rates, exemplary safety record, dynamic and responsive retail rates, and improved processes. We increased reliability by utilizing data analysis allowing us to focus limited resources on high impact areas. Wheat Belt served customers on both the Eastern and Western interconnects and built infrastructure to back feed across the divides for greater resilience. Replacement cost management principals allowed us to fund preemptive maintenance programs that were paired with FEMA hazard mitigation grants allowed hardening resulting in increased resilience of our distribution grid. We were significantly involved and successful in protecting our interests at the Federal Energy

Regulatory Commission (FERC) through various regulatory cases. Wheat Belt was a leader in advocating for broadband for the forgotten out-city residents. I was appointed by Governor Pete Rickets to serve in a newly created utility seat on the state of Nebraska Broadband Taskforce. We made great strides in solving the digital divide and were successful in passing legislation that facilitates the involvement of electric utilities to be part of the solution by bridging political obstacles. This foundation would be leveraged to continue increases in electric reliability and resiliency.

Wheat Belt purchased its energy under an all-requirements contract with <u>Tri-State Generation and Transmission</u>. Tri-State was owned by 44 distribution cooperatives in four states. Service included various committees during my tenure, including chair of the member CEO committee.

Information Technology Manager - 2005 To 2008

This new role developed the first technology and communications strategic plan that included a build out of a secure IP based network to all our remote substations, and the plan to implement an Advanced Metering Infrastructure to every meter. I was able to work with our board for a long-term technology and security strategic plan. This provided us with a decision-making model that allowed for large gains in operational efficiency and positive investment returns. We established our first Cyber and Physical Security Plan.

Western United Utility Supply

Board of Director

Western United Electric Supply Corporation (WUE) was established in June 1976 to provide an avenue for Rural Electric Cooperatives in the Rocky Mountain Region to combine their annual material purchases with one entity and thereby create the buying power necessary to obtain the best available material cost from vendors, as well as prompt shipments from either WUE's substantial inventory or direct from the manufacturers. I served on the finance and audit committee of the board.

Cheyenne County Chamber of Commerce

Board of Director, President

The Cheyenne County Chamber of Commerce drives economic vitality through our six pillars: voice, learning, visibility, community, resources, and networking; empowering local businesses and enhancing the quality of life in Cheyenne County Nebraska.

1995 To 2005

Power Technology Solutions Group, Inc.

President and Chief Executive Officer

I was a co-founder and led a technology group dedicated to bringing technology and telecommunications to rural areas. We worked with schools and small businesses to help implement and utilize technology and data services. We partnered to develop two rural Internet Service Providers, a Dial-Up in 1996 and later a Fixed Wireless broadband system. We developed customized web applications and stand-alone software packages for the agricultural industry, energy industry, weather services, transportation companies, and

government agencies. I taught continuing education classes through <u>Northeastern Junior College</u> and <u>Morgan Community College</u> on strategies for utilizing technology and telecommunications to improve rural small business.

Previous Experiences

Macon Bacon Hog Farm – Owner United States Department of Agriculture, Ag Research Service – Research Technician Professional Foodservice Management – Restaurant Student Manager

EDUCATION

National Rural Electric Cooperative Association's Management Internship Program University of Wisconsin, Madison, WI 2007

Bachelor of Arts Business Administration Management Concordia University, Seward NE 1995

OTHER COMMITTEES AND NOTIBLE ITEMS

- <u>Big Rivers Electric Corporation</u> Economic Development Committee Member (2023-Current)
- Appointed by Governor Pete Rickets as an <u>Admiral in The Great Navy of the State of Nebraska</u> (2022)
- <u>Kansas Electric Cooperatives</u> (2021-2022) (Legislative Committee Member, Cyber Security Committee Member)
- <u>National Rural Electric Cooperative Association</u> Strategic Technology Advisory Council Member (2010-2021)
- State of Nebraska <u>Broadband Taskforce</u> Member (2018-2021)
- State of Nebraska IT Commission's Community Council Member (2014-2021)
- Nebraska Workers Compensation Retention Committee Member (2014-2021)
- <u>Nebraska Rural Electric Association's</u> Legislative and Policy and Resolutions Committees Member (various terms 2008-2021)
- Mid-West Electric Consumers Water and Power Committee Member (2008-2021)
- Tri-State G&T CEO Committee Member (Chair 2015-16)

Speaking/Publications

TED https://youtu.be/3_ACL96LIKc

Why is Cyber Security Important?

Cyber Security, We are all in this Together

Cyber Security Questions you need to be Asking

Testified numerous times before the Nebraska and <u>Kentucky Legislatures (~55:00)</u>, on both **utility, broadband, and community** related issues.

Numerous local and national engagements discussing utility cyber security

Utilities Tech Outlook