

## ScottMadden Energy Industry Update Explores the Solar Trifecta and Dawn of “Smart Solar”

ATLANTA, GA – (November 15, 2017) – ScottMadden, Inc., one of North America’s leading energy consulting firms, recently released its Fall [Energy Industry Update](#). Themed “Generation to Generation: An Energy Evolution,” this [report](#) examines the direction and magnitude of some of the industry changes and the forces in play.

People say a lot of solar can make it harder to manage the grid, but could “smart” utility-scale solar actually help us? What three things—what we term the “solar trifecta”—could make this a reality? How will we know when a new era of smart solar is dawning for the electric grid? What grid-friendly technical capabilities does solar possess now, and what capabilities can we see on the horizon? In this [report](#), ScottMadden addresses these questions and more to help you prepare for the shifting industry.

“Changes in the utility-scale solar industry may emerge quickly,” said [Chris Vlahoplus](#), partner and clean tech & sustainability practice leader at ScottMadden. “The next chapter we expect will be the use of existing technology to provide additional value and flexibility through targeted curtailments, smoother output, and expanded ancillary services.”

Recent articles published by industry news outlet [Utility Dive](#) examine [integrating smart utility-scale solar](#) and [emerging next generation utility-led community solar](#). For a deeper dive, you may also access ScottMadden’s complimentary article focused on [utility-scale solar integration](#).

If you were unable to join our [Energy Industry Update webcast](#), the final recording is now available. Hear what our industry experts have to say about changes to, and potential solutions for, FERC-regulated wholesale markets, the future of utility solar, and grid investment in this new session.

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