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## NextEra Energy EVP, former FERC Chairman a featured speaker at KEMA Utility of the Future leadership forum 2010

### Hon. Joseph Kelliher to offer insight into balancing federal and state regulations

BURLINGTON, Mass. (June 3, 2010) – NextEra Energy Executive Vice President of Federal Regulatory Affairs and former FERC Chairman Joseph T. Kelliher will be a featured speaker at KEMA's third annual Utility of the Future [Leadership Forum](#), "Strategic Choices – Striking Equilibrium." Kelliher is joining energy and utility industry senior executives and federal and state commissioners in sharing their insights on strategy and challenges to engage customers and achieve a reliable, sustainable energy future at the KEMA event, being held June 23 – 25, 2010 at The Four Seasons, Washington, DC.

Kelliher will be moderating the Utility of the Future panel of federal and state utility commissioners discussing the delicate balance between federal and state regulations. Prior to joining FPL Group, Kelliher served as the FERC Chairman from 2005 – 2009. During his tenure, FERC implemented the Energy Policy Act of 2005 – the largest expansion of the Commission's regulatory authority since 1930. As Chairman, Kelliher also restructured the agency and established two new offices dedicated to enforcing FERC requirements and market oversight and investigations and to reviewing and improving reliability standards.

NextEra Energy, Inc., which previously operated as FPL Group, is a leading clean energy company with 2009 revenues of more than \$15 billion, nearly 43,000 megawatts of generating capacity, and more than 15,000 employees in 28 states and Canada. Headquartered in Juno Beach, Florida, NextEra Energy's principal subsidiaries are NextEra Energy Resources, LLC, the largest generator in North America of renewable energy from the wind and sun, and Florida Power & Light Company, which serves approximately 4.5 million customer accounts in Florida and is one of the largest rate-regulated electric utilities in the country. Through its subsidiaries, NextEra Energy collectively operates the third largest U.S. nuclear power generation fleet.

"Providing the right kind and right amount of regulation to the electric power industry is of critical importance," said Kelliher. "We want to provide just enough to steer the industry in a direction that serves our national energy goals, but not so much that we stifle investment and innovation. Equally important, we need to know when federal regulation is needed and when states are best suited to take the lead. To ensure a secure energy future for the nation, we've got to get the balance just right."

KEMA's annual Utility of the Future [leadership series](#) is gathering industry executives, senior financial analysts, government officials and other utility stakeholders to discuss strategic directions in balancing changing customer expectations, technologies and environmental policies and regulations. Leaders and innovators across the energy industry will take part in discussions focused on customer engagement, investment strategy, regulatory policy and the state of carbon and environmental issues, and they will explore strategic views of what a sustainable, intelligent infrastructure will look like.

Senior executives are invited to join their peers in the Utility of the Future discussion to share ideas and discover opportunities to shape a more sustainable, reliable and profitable utility of the future. Throughout the event, forum participants will have high-level networking opportunities to share perspectives, collaborate and engage in dialogue. **To register, and for more information, visit:** [www.kema.com/UtilityFuture2010](http://www.kema.com/UtilityFuture2010).



#### About KEMA

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