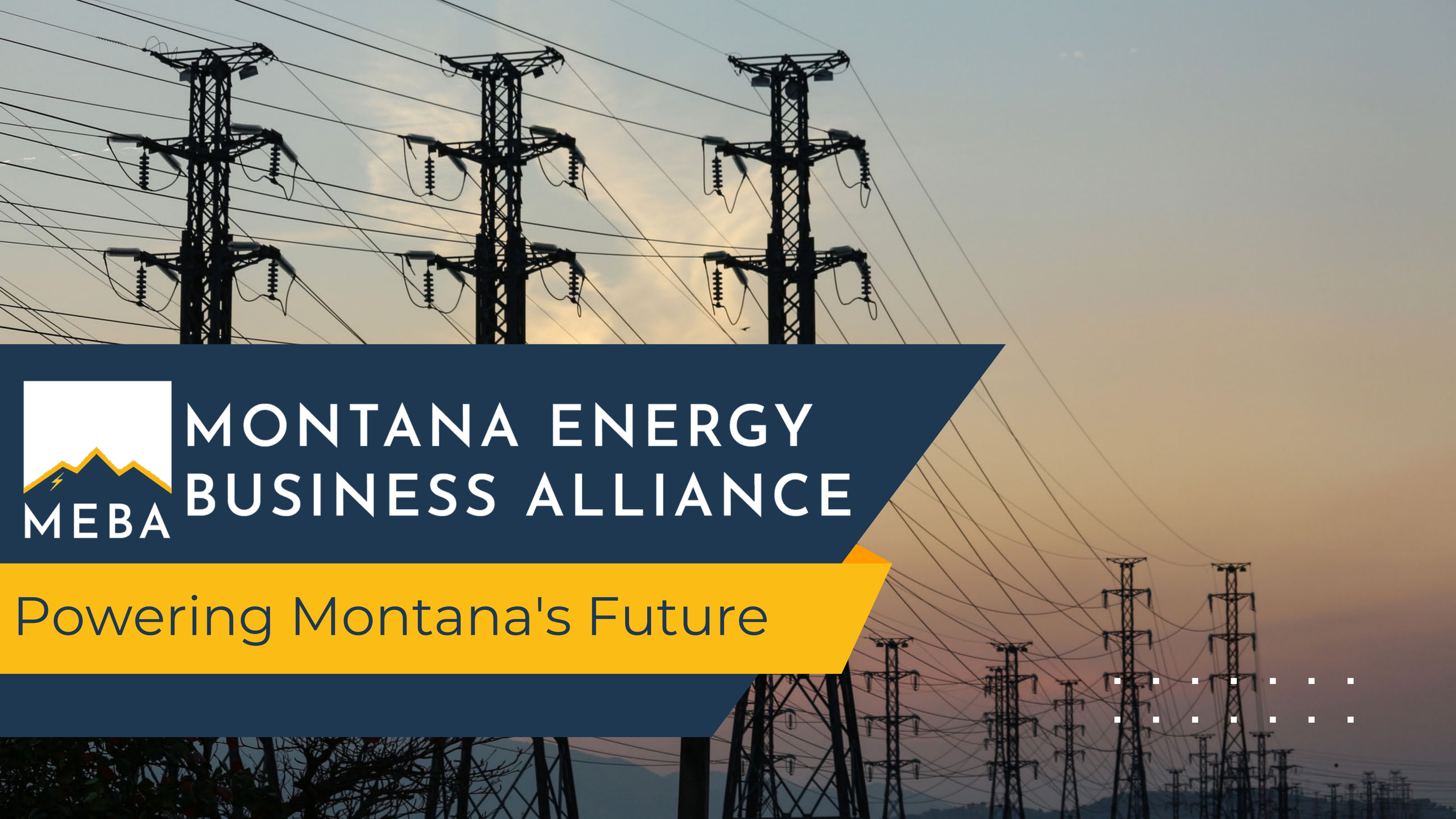

MEBA

MONTANA ENERGY BUSINESS ALLIANCE

Powering Montana's Future

Introduction

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MISSION

Powering Montana’s Future

The mission of the Montana Energy Business Alliance is to give Montana’s Businesses a strong voice in advocating for the proper planning and investment required to realize a reliable, affordable , and increasingly clean energy supply .





ABOUT MEBA

MEBA was created to ensure Montana's business and energy leaders have a unified voice in the conversations shaping the state's energy future. As energy demand grows and new opportunities emerge, MEBA brings together industry, utilities, developers, and economic development organizations to advance practical solutions that support reliable energy, economic growth, and long-term competitiveness.

MONTANA IS AT AN ENERGY CROSSROADS

- Concerns about future industrial choice supply
- New manufacturing and data centers
- Business expansion and population growth
- Need for reliable, affordable energy
- Transmission and infrastructure investment
- Energy is a core economic development issue

WHY THE ALLIANCE?

MEBA brings various stakeholders together for a forum of collaboration

Education

Providing events and communications throughout the state on electricity issues and needs.

Cross-sector Solutions

Our membership base spans several large users, economic developers, and energy adjacent professionals

Practical Policy

Taking a global look at what needs are across the board ensures policy remain holistic benefiting the state as a whole, not just one user.

Support Montana's Competitiveness

Power availability is a critical ingredient to maintaining existing users and seizing industry growth opportunities.

POLICY PRIORITIES

- Expanding the electric and gas transmission systems
- Realize Montana's historic economic opportunity to integrate data centers and new generation to grow the economy
- Expand the Choice Customer program within the NorthWestern Energy Balancing Authority to lower energy costs to businesses
- Encourage and allow Customer Choice entities to procure clean generation to serve some portion of their load
- Facilitate Choice Customers aggregating loads for supply procurement
- Advocate for all -of-the-above expansion of energy supply, including opposition to policies or regulations which would restrict supply

OUR MEMBERS

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Renewable Northwest
Montana Resources
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