



## **CHRIS KELLEY**

**Chris Kelly is the Chief Operating Officer for National Grid, US Electric. National Grid is one of the world's largest investor owned energy companies focused on transmission and distribution of electricity. It plays a key role in accelerating the growth of renewables and low carbon generation across the United States and Great Britain, and has a growing portfolio of renewable energy interests in the US including battery storage, solar and offshore wind development partnerships. It employs around 22,000 people located both in the UK and the US.**

**When Chris became National Grid's COO, he brought the experience of more than thirty years of service in the Energy and Telecommunication industries. He has spent many years managing and directing the delivery and commissioning of electric transmission and distribution systems and substations. Previous to this position, he was Chief Engineering Officer, US Electric, and before that was Senior Vice President Electric and Process Engineering where he had the responsibility to oversee transmission, substation and distribution engineering for the National Grid US. This played an important role in driving projects that connect and maintain safety and delivery standards. He also headed the company's Electric Systems and Engineering organization, and Smart Grid Program in Massachusetts.**

**Prior to joining the Energy sector, Chris worked for the Department of Defense in their telecommunication unit specializing in point-to-point communications and encryption.**

**Chris Kelley is a graduate of Rutgers University's Electrical Engineering program (B.S.E.E.), and holds an M.B.A. degree from Worcester Polytechnic Institute in Massachusetts. He is currently a CIGRE US Board Member, an International Council on Large Electric Systems. He is also a Registered Professional Engineer in the state of Massachusetts and a member of the IEEE's Power Engineering Society.**