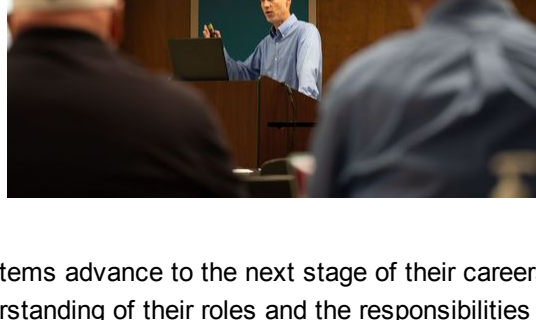


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### Certificate Programs, Metering Lab Start Next Month

Are you ready to take the next step in advancing your career as a public power executive or utility accountant? If so, now's the time to register and confirm your spot for the initial courses in TVPPA's Certified Power Executive or Certified Utility Accountant programs.



TVPPA Education & Training department's [Certified Power Executive \(CPE\)](#) is a unique professional certification program specifically designed to help mid-to-upper level managers of public power distribution systems advance to the next stage of their careers. The program helps provide managers with a better understanding of their roles and the responsibilities of running a public power company. The nine program courses cover topics including strategic planning, leadership skills, rates and pricing and many other topics critical to managing a successful public power company. The first course in the program – **Leadership Bridge** – will be held on **February 16 at TMEPA in Brentwood, Tenn.**

Our [Certified Utility Accountant \(CUA\)](#) program helps lay a solid foundation of knowledge to public utility accounting staff who are new to accounting or who have a non-accounting background. The CUA program consists of a core accounting curriculum ranging from basic to advanced level classes. Participants will also learn about electric system basics, time management and legal issues for accountants. **Registration for Utilities Accounts Classifications & Principles on February 22 is now open.**

To register for either of these classes, [click here](#). If you have questions about our certificate programs or need additional information, please contact Education & Training Specialist [Kaitlin Plaster](#).

#### In addition to these two certificate programs, TVPPA Education & Training's Electrical Metering Lab returns in February at CDE Lightband in Clarksville, Tenn., running from February 20-24.

Students enrolled in TVPPA's Electric Substation Metering correspondence program can gain valuable experience directly related to the lessons learned in this series by enrolling in our Electric Metering Lab. This series of classes provides students with a review of instrument transformers, energy metering, and troubleshooting. Students will have access to lab benches and software that allows for practical hands-on exercises and an up-close look at various types of metering and the use of calibration equipment. Additional topics covered include:

- Terminology and math associated with basic power calculations;
- History of metering devices;
- Instrument transformers;
- Meter connections;
- Self-contained metering;
- Transformer-based meters;
- Types of bases and sockets;
- Meter constants;
- Peak Demand metering;
- Meter testing;
- Troubleshooting;
- Remote Meter Reading;
- Automated Meter Infrastructure; and
- Calculation and protection of revenue

To register for our Electrical Metering Lab, click [here](#).

### Register Now for February Hot Topics Webinar

What You Don't Know, Can Definitely Cost You:  
I-9 Compliance 2023 with Chris Crevasse



Unsure whether your company is in compliance with state and federal I-9 mandates? Then join us at 10 a.m. ET on February 7 when Miller & Martin's Chris Crevasse helps you get up to speed on everything you need to know about I-9 compliance, including penalties for failure to comply.

Crevasse says, "Forms I-9 are used to verify the identity and employment authorization of individuals hired for employment in the United States. All U.S. employers, regardless of the number of their employees, are required by federal law to complete a Form I-9 for each individual they hire, including both citizens and noncitizens. Have you and Joe, your new employee, been best friends since kindergarten?"

Doesn't matter! Failure to promptly and properly complete a Form I-9 for each new hire can lead to monetary penalties that quickly add up.

Plus, employers must retain their Forms I-9 and make the forms available for inspection by maybe-not-so-friendly government officers. But that's not all: federal law and some state laws also require certain employers to fulfill requirements under another employment verification system, E-Verify, with a different set of fun requirements and penalties – penalties that may include the loss of contracts and business licenses! This webinar will teach you the requirements of Form I-9 and E-Verify and guide you on how to ensure compliance and avoid penalties. And if it's too late for that, don't despair: we will offer words of comfort on how to set things right – and why you need to do that sooner rather than later."

You can register for this webinar by visiting our Hot Topics Webinar page behind the member login which can be found in the upper right corner of the homepage at [tvppa.com](#).

### Don't Miss Out on New GM Fleet Vehicles

TVPPA Fleet Vehicle Program Has February Deadline for 2024 Orders



In 2022, TVPPA introduced our Fleet Vehicle Purchasing Opportunity in response to supply chain challenges that limited vehicle availability. To help our members alleviate these concerns and facilitate access to new fleet vehicles, TVPPA negotiated a partnership with General Motors

(GM) giving TVPPA the opportunity to order up to 150 Model Year 2023 Chevrolet Silverado 1500 Light Duty trucks for our membership. All 150 trucks were reserved within a few hours.

Due to the high level of interest and participation in last year's program, we have worked with GM to expand access. TVPPA's GM representative recently announced that the 2024 model year will include *full allocation across all models, including double cab trucks*. Although the specific date has not been announced, fleet ordering **will start sometime in February for model year 2024**. This means TVPPA members who want to take advantage of program savings need to assess their vehicle needs for mid-2023 through the end of 2024 and get their list of needs to [Brad Rains](#), TVPPA VP of Engineering & Distribution Services, as soon as possible. This will ensure orders can be entered as soon as vehicle banks are available. Please note that the more members who participate, the greater the number of vehicles that can be allocated for TVPPA members. If you have any interest in participating or if you have any questions about our Fleet Vehicle Purchasing program, please contact Brad right away.

### Upcoming Conferences & Events

For a complete list of all our upcoming conferences, registration details, or information on how your company can participate as a sponsor, please visit our [conferences page](#).

#### February 1

TVPPA All-Member Meeting  
Marriott at Vanderbilt University  
Nashville, Tenn.

#### February 2-3

TVPPA Legal Conference  
Marriott at Vanderbilt University  
Nashville, Tenn.  
[Register Here](#)

#### February 23

Valley Utility Workshop  
Fayetteville Public Utilities  
Fayetteville, Tenn.  
[Register Here](#)

#### April 12-14

Purchasing & Materials Management Conference  
Marriott Downtown Chattanooga  
Chattanooga, Tenn.

#### May 22-24

TVPPA 77th Annual Conference  
Marriott Grand Hotel at Point Clear  
Point Clear, Ala.

### Training Calendar

#### February 7-8

National Electrical Safety Code Review  
Cleveland Utilities  
Cleveland, Tenn.

#### February 16-17

CPE Certificate Class  
Leadership Bridge  
TMEPA  
Brentwood, Tenn.

#### February 20-25

Lineman Pre-Apprentice Assessment Workshop  
Huntsville Utilities  
Huntsville, Ala.

#### February 20-24

Lineman Apprenticeship, Lab 1  
Fundamentals  
Emerald Coast Technical College  
Defuniak Springs, Fla.

#### February 20-24

Lineman Apprenticeship, Lab 3  
Operations  
Greeneville Energy Authority  
Greeneville, Tenn.

#### February 20-24

Fiber Lab  
Jackson Energy Authority  
Jackson, Tenn.

#### February 20-24

Electrical Metering Lab  
CDE Lightband  
Clarksville, Tenn.

#### February 21

Internal Controls & Fraud Protection  
TMEPA  
Brentwood, Tenn.

#### February 22

Certified Utility Accountant Class  
Utilities Accounts Classification & Principles  
TMEPA  
Brentwood, Tenn.

#### February 27-March 3

Lineman Apprenticeship, Lab 1  
Fundamentals  
Kissimmee Utility Authority  
Kissimmee, Fla.

#### February 27-March 3

Lineman Apprenticeship, Lab 4  
Underground  
Huntsville Utilities  
Huntsville, Ala.

#### February 28

Personnel Issues  
CDE Lightband  
Clarksville, Tenn.

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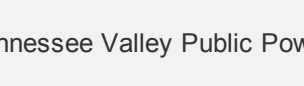


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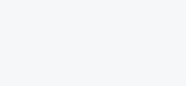


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