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**THOMAS R. CASTEN,
CHAIRMAN**



Thomas R. Casten has spent 30 years developing decentralized energy recycling projects. He was founding president and CEO of Trigen Energy Corporation, a New York Stock Exchange corporation and its predecessors from 1977 through 2000; and he served until 2006 as founding chair & CEO of Primary Energy Ventures LLC, an Oak Brook, Illinois-based firm with a Toronto Stock Exchange traded subsidiary, Primary Energy Recycling Corp.

Tom also has served as the president of the International District Energy Association, received the Normal R. Taylor Award for distinguished achievement and contributions to the industry, and been named a “CHP Champion” by the U.S. Combined Heat and Power Association. He is the co-founder and former chairman of the World Alliance for Distributed Energy (WADE), an umbrella organization of national CHP and distributed energy associations, equipment vendors, government agencies, and foundations that promote distributed generation to optimize the world’s power system. In 2006, the WADE board inducted Tom as the first member of the WADE Hall of Fame.

Tom, moreover, serves on the Board of Directors/Advisory Boards of the Carnegie Mellon Electric Industry Center, Oregon Climate Trust, Climate Institute, and the Center for Inquiry. He is a nationally recognized expert on energy and environment issues, and his articles have been widely published. Tom has presented energy recycling at the International Association of Energy Economics, Aspen Energy Policy Forum, Bordeaux Energy Colloquium, World Technology Network, and Clinton Global Initiative. He has testified on several occasions before the energy committees of the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives, and he has advised Indian, Chinese, and Brazilian government officials on power industry governance.

Tom’s book, *Turning off the Heat*, published by Prometheus Press in 1998, explains how the world can save money and pollution. He recently co-authored a chapter in *Energy Myth and American Society, Thirteen Myths* (Sovacool & Brown), challenging the assumption that the U.S. electric system is optimal.

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**SEAN CASTEN,
PRESIDENT AND CEO**



Sean Casten has worked in the on-site power industry for ten years. From 2000 to 2006, he served as president and CEO of [Turbosteam Corporation](#), a developer of “heat first” cogeneration projects headquartered in Turners Falls, Massachusetts. Turbosteam’s expertise is the identification, development, manufacture, installation, and commissioning of recycled energy projects that convert waste steam into electrical power at industrial and institutional facilities.

Prior to joining Turbosteam, Sean was a manager in the Energy Practice at Arthur D. Little, where he specialized in technology and strategic issues surrounding emerging fuels and power generation technologies. His clients included multiple branches of the U.S. and Dutch governments, international oil & gas firms, and equipment manufacturers.

In 2005, the U.S. Combined Heat and Power Association (USCHPA) identified Sean as a “CHP Champion” in recognition of his leadership toward greater national use of clean, efficient, and reliable combined heat and power. He is the 2007 chairman of USCHPA and the founding (2005) chairman of the Northeast Combined Heat and Power Initiative, both organizations dedicated to advocacy before state and federal energy regulatory agencies and legislatures.

Sean holds a B.A. from Middlebury College, a M.S. in Biochemical Engineering from Dartmouth College and a Master’s in Engineering Management from Dartmouth College.

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**DICK MUNSON,
SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT OF STRATEGIC PLANNING AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS**



Dick Munson has written about and lobbied for recycled energy over the past several decades. Most recently, he directed the Northeast-Midwest Institute and coordinated with the Northeast-Midwest Congressional and Senate Coalitions, bipartisan caucuses that conduct policy research and draft legislation on agriculture, economic development, energy, environmental, and manufacturing issues.

Dick is the author of several books, including *From Edison to Enron*, which recounts the history of electricity and suggests an innovation-based vision for the power industry. His *Cardinals of Capitol Hill* traces the machinations of congressional appropriators who control government spending. Dick also wrote *Cousteau: The Captain and His World*, a biography of the ocean explorer and filmmaker. His articles on energy and environmental policy have appeared in numerous newspapers and journals.

Dick has served as secretary of the U.S. Combined Heat and Power Association, director of the Solar Lobby, director of the Center for Renewable Resources, co-coordinator of Sun Day, coordinator of the Environmental Action Foundation, and lecturer in history at the University of Michigan.

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