Welcome to year 3 of our 3-year plan. 2017 is the year of Realizing Results and calibrating for the future. The Alliance has brought together more than 15 companies to focus their energies on creating the state of the art in sustainable supply chain practices and the results have been impressive.

Our Conference has grown in influence each year until last year we hosted nearly 200 representatives from dozens of companies. The expertise shared in that forum has already created a new generation of sustainability thought across the utility industry.

I look forward to another great year and I want to thank the leadership who have gotten us to this point. We promise to be good stewards of your achievements.
Member Case Study: Pacific Gas & Electric

Joan Kerr, Supply Chain, PG&E

Pacific Gas & Electric (PG&E) has been working on supply chain sustainability since 2007 when it first launched supplier sustainability circles to identify best practices that suppliers were already implementing and to elicit ideas for next practices. The recognition that supplier impacts were a significant part of PG&E’s environmental profile led to the decision to co-found the Electric Utility Industry Sustainable Supply Chain Alliance (Alliance) in 2008 so that we could join forces to improve the sustainability of the electric utility supply chain. We were recognized by the members in 2015 with the first EUISSCA Member Award for our ongoing, vital and active role in supporting, guiding and advancing the Alliance. PG&E’s Chief Procurement Officer served as one of the first Chairs of the Alliance and more recently Gun Shim, PG&E’s Vice President of Supply Chain, served as the 2016 Chair and continues on the Executive Committee today. PG&E finds great benefit in working on Alliance Work Teams and several of our employees are currently active on the Survey Team, Marketing Communications and regularly contribute to Voluntary Standards Development.

PG&E continues to invest in our commitment to supply chain sustainability ... read more here.
**Actionable Insights**

The Alliance hosts practice sharing calls where members or suppliers present new or existing practices from their organizations that advance sustainability across a wide array of utility supply chain areas.

Here are some examples of sessions we have hosted:

**January 2017: Environmentally Responsible Wood Pole Service Life Extension**

Wood pole service extension can prevent the need to replace up to 50% of poles each year, saving 2 million trees. That’s enough trees to build over 48,000 new homes.

**February 2017: Cargill’s Envirotex FR 3 Natural Ester Transformer Fluid**

Key benefits to switching FR3 Envirotex fluid include: procurement of smaller transformers with up to 20% more load capability; total ownership cost savings with extended asset life of 5-8 times that of mineral oil; fluid biodegrades in less than 28 days, is carbon neutral and recyclable.

**March 2017: Southwire’s 12 for Life Program**

Southwire and the Carroll County School System partnered to create the 12 for Life Program; a program designed to improve the graduation rate of at-risk high school students. To date there have been 1,600 graduates, with graduation rates having increased in the Carroll County School system from 65% in 2007 to 86% in 2016.

To view these recorded webinars, visit our website and log in or register if you are not currently a registered user.

**May 16th, 2017 at 2pm Eastern: Register Now – A General Update on the Supplier Survey**

In the May Practice Sharing Session, Tiffany Rodriguez, the executive sponsor of the Supplier Survey Working Team, will present a general update on the Supplier Survey, as well as information on how the survey is being used and communicated. This session is intended for both Suppliers and Member Utilities.

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

Please register for the EUISSCA May Practice Sharing Webinar here:
Make plans now to attend the 2017 Sustainable Sourcing Conference. You’ll get the latest on sustainable best practices and changes in the regulatory environment, and learn all about our Sustainable Packaging Guide. And, of course, you’ll get the opportunity to network with industry leaders at events designed for interaction. Register now.

Apply now to highlight your product or service in the Supplier Showcase here.

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**Alliance Representatives to Speak at Major Conferences This Year**

- Sustainable Purchasing Leadership Council 2017 Summit + Connect – May 8-10, Denver. For more information or to register click here.

- Utility Supply Management Alliance 2017, May 7-10, Ft. Worth. For more information or to register click here.

- Utility Purchasing Management Group 2017. September 17-19, Chicago. For more information or to register click here.

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**Face to Face**

The Alliance members were recently hosted in Chicago by Exelon for our first in person meeting of 2017 and one of two CPO roundtables this year. The meetings were exceptionally well attended and member engagement on the future direction of the Alliance, our 2017 activities and improving member performance continues at a high level.

**Key agenda topics were:**
- Input into the next three year plan for the Alliance
- Practice sharing sessions on SF6 and tool recovery
- Updates from the multiple 2017 work teams
- CPO roundtable discussion on contract management successful practice

Our next face to face and CPO roundtable meetings will be in Scottsdale, AZ on September 27th with our annual conference taking place on September 28th.

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**Next Planning Meeting**

November Member Planning Meeting Dates: Dinner November 6\textsuperscript{th} and Member meeting November 7\textsuperscript{th}. Hilton St Pete, Florida.

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