

# NY Marriott at the Brooklyn Bridge SPONSOR PROSPECTUS

# **50<sup>th</sup> PLMA Conference Highlights**

We are expecting a record-breaking attendance at our 50<sup>th</sup> Conference where 400+ DR/DER energy practitioners from utilities, vendors, academia, govt, and nonprofits across North America, and some internationally, will convene in Brooklyn, New York.

~ 30 Interactive Learning Sessions

**Live Q&A Discussions** 

Multiple Networking Opportunities
Affinity and Interest Groups
Strategic DER Initiatives

A Supportive, Welcoming DR/DER Community

### **NEW SPONSORHIP LEVELS AND BENEFIT OPTIONS!**

Go Big or Go Home! It's our 50<sup>th</sup> PLMA, so we have added the ultimate sponsor level – the Titanium Sponsorship that will provide 15 Conference points! And 6 of those points can be used toward registrations with plenty left over for branding opportunities.

More good news for our sponsors! We have increased the number of registrants for our nonutility company members to 12 as our attendee levels have increased. There are also a few new exciting benefit options within the Base and Premium Sponsorship levels.

Additionally, we are planning a very special Monday Welcome Reception, so you'll want to be sure to add one or two of those benefit options to maximize your brand exposure!



November 11-13, 2024 Brooklyn, NY



# **Sponsor Benefits Based on Sponsorship Level**

Sponsor Benefits	Titanium \$20,000 or 3 MP + \$15,000	Platinum \$15,000 or 3 MP + \$10,000	Gold \$10,000 or 3 MP + \$5,000	Silver \$6,000 or 3 MP
Conference Points	15	10	6	3
Foundational Benefits based on				
Sponsorship Level:				
1. Interim and final registration lists with full contact information on a tiered distribution based on level, beginning 10/11/24 for Titanium & Platinum sponsors, 10/18/24 adding Gold; then weekly (Fridays) for all sponsors beginning 10/25/24. Final list will be distributed on 11/13/24 after conclusion of conference.				
<ol> <li>50<sup>th</sup> PLMA website, conference app, and printed program brand recognition. Titanium, Platinum and Gold sponsor logos and company descriptions will be included in printed program. Silver sponsors will receive logo recognition only.</li> </ol>	Logo, 75-word description	Logo, 75-word description	Logo,50-word description	Logo only
3. Conference app inclusion of promotional	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited	Logo,
documents, collateral, studies, and other	promotional	promotional	promotional	website link
key information.	materials	materials	materials	only
<ol><li>Conference app inclusion of promotional video.</li></ol>			$\bigcirc$	n/a
5. Conference app scrolling banner ad.		$\bigcirc$	n/a	n/a
6. Social media amplification of your posts related to your conference participation (#50PLMAdr), plus a PLMA thank you post.			$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
7. Ongoing conference updates and communications.	$\bigcirc$		$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
8. Utility Dive special 15% discount on paid distribution opportunities via UD's "sponsor content" channel for your content (white papers, case studies, research, etc.).				n/a



# **Silver Sponsor:**

**Redeemable Conference Points: 3 Points** 

Cost: \$6,000 OR 3 Member Passes

Redeemable conference points may be used in any combination. Conference point registrations are limited to 3 individuals.

Silver Sponsors may select from the following base options.

#### **BASE SPONSORSHIP OPTIONS:**

Registration Tickets – Limited to 3 individuals	1 point each
Monday Food and Beverage Sponsor (Breakfast, Lunch, Afternoon Break)	2 points
Breakfast Sponsor (Tues, or Wed – 2 available)	2 points each
Lunch Sponsor (Tues, or Wed – 2 available)	2 points each
Conference Refreshment Break Sponsor (includes all Tues/Wed breaks)	3 points
Sponsor Showcase Lightning Round (9 available)	2 points
Display Table in the Sponsor Lounge (12 available)	3 points
Track Sponsor (8 tracks available on Wed – A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H)	1 point each
NEW! Monday Welcome Reception Marquee Lighting Sponsor	1 point each



<b>Titanium Sponsor</b>	<b>Platinum Sponsor</b>	<b>Gold Sponsor</b>
Redeemable Conference	Redeemable Conference	Redeemable Conference
Points = 15 Points	Points = 10 Points	Points = 6 Points
Cost: \$20,000 or 3	Cost: \$15,000 or 3 Member	Cost: \$10,000 or 3 Member
Member Passes + \$15,000	Passes + \$10,000	Passes + \$5,000

Redeemable conference points may be used in any combination.

Conference point registrations are limited to 6 individuals for Titanium Sponsors; 3 individuals for Platinum and Gold.

#### **BASE SPONSORSHIP OPTIONS:**

Registration Tickets – Limited to 3 individuals; Titanium 6 individuals	1 point each
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Monday Food and Beverage Sponsor (Breakfast, Lunch, Afternoon Break)	2 points
Breakfast Sponsor (Tues, or Wed – 2 available)	2 points each
Lunch Sponsor (Tues, or Wed – 2 available)	2 points each
Conference Refreshment Break Sponsor (Tues/Wed breaks – 3 total)	3 points
Sponsor Showcase Lightning Round (9 available)	2 points
Display Table in the Sponsor Lounge (12 available)	3 points
Track Sponsor (8 out of 8 tracks available on Wed – A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H)	1 point each
<b>NEW!</b> Monday Welcome Reception Marquee Lightning Sponsor	1 point each

# PREMIUM SPONSORSHIP OPTIONS FOR TITANIUM, PLATINUM AND GOLD SPONSORS:

NEW! Exhibit Space – 8 x 8 Display or other small items (3 available)	4 points/each
Connectivity Sponsor - Wi-Fi	3 points
Connectivity Sponsor - Power Alley	3 points
Connectivity Sponsor - Mobile App	3 points
Connectivity Sponsor - AV	3 points
<b>NEW!</b> Connectivity Sponsor – Charging Stations (Branded) - 2 available	2 points/each
Registration Desk Sponsor (includes branded lanyards)	3 points
<b>NEW!</b> 50 <sup>th</sup> PLMA Room Key Sponsor at the Marriott (branding	2 points
opportunity)	



# PREMIUM SPONSORSHIP OPTIONS FOR TITANIUM, PLATINUM AND GOLD SPONSORS (continued):

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### **BASE SPONSORSHIP OPTIONS – AVAILABLE TO ALL SPONSORS:**

Registration Tickets: 1 point each – Conference points provided with sponsorship can be converted into conference registrations utilizing 1 point for each registrant. *Please note conference point registrations are limited to 6 individuals for Titanium sponsors and 3 for Platinum, Gold and Silver.* 

**Sponsor Lounge Display Table: 3 points (12 available)** – Provides for a 6' skirted table with 2 chairs along with access to power. This space is limited to tabletop displays and is also suitable for large screen monitors. Please note large backdrop displays, and large pieces of equipment are prohibited due to space limitations.

Sponsor Showcase Lightning Round: 2 points (9 available) – Provides an opportunity to showcase your company's technology and success stories with the audience in a short 3-minute timed presentation. This session has evolved to include very creative multi-media presentations to keep the audience engaged. Include a Secret Word of your choice at the end of your presentation for the audience to list on their Secret Word Ballot used for prize drawings at the Sponsor Reception. The 3-minute limit is strictly enforced with a "gong" for those who overrun their time!

Monday Food and Beverage Sponsor - Breakfast, Lunch and Afternoon Break: 2 points - Get an early jump on your branding efforts by becoming the Food and Beverage Sponsor on Monday! Monday's agenda is home to the DR to DER Evolution Training and the well-attended Interest Group sessions. The day will start out with roughly 120 attendees and currently looks to grow to 220+ members in attendance by the afternoon break. Your logo will be displayed on signage at the food/break stations, and you will receive acknowledgement in the printed agenda, conference mobile app, and from the podium by Monday's conference co-chairs and instructors.

**Breakfast Sponsor (Tues, or Wed): 2 points each** – Start the conference day off with brand recognition when you sponsor breakfast! Your logo will be prominently displayed on signage adjacent to the breakfast buffet and you will also receive acknowledgement within the printed agenda, the conference mobile app, and a thank you at the start of the morning session by conference co-chairs.

**Lunch Sponsor (Tues, or Wed): 2 points each** – Conference attendees will thank you for providing lunch when you choose this option! Your logo will be prominently displayed on signage adjacent to the lunch buffet and you will also receive acknowledgement within the printed agenda and conference mobile app, as well as a mention prior to the lunch break each day.

Conference Refreshment Break Sponsor (Tues/Wed): 3 points – Your brand shines as attendees head for refreshments on their break on Tuesday and Wednesday (3 breaks over two days!). Your logo will be displayed on signage adjacent to the refreshment display and you will also receive acknowledgement in the printed agenda, conference mobile app and from the podium during the conference. One sponsor for all conference breaks.

Track Sponsorship for Wednesday Breakout Sessions (Tracks A thru H): 1 point each — Unique opportunity to sponsor one of the tracks (or more) from the Wednesday agenda. Acknowledgement will be made by the session co-chairs, as well as in conference signage, the printed program and the mobile app.

**NEW!** Monday Welcome Reception Marquee Lighting Sponsor: 1 Point - Get lit by sponsoring the special PLMA Marquee lights located stage-side at the Monday Reception. Receive acknowledgement within signage, the print agenda, conference mobile app and a mention at the event itself.



## PREMIUM OPTIONS FOR TITANIUM, PLATINUM & GOLD SPONSORS

The following options are available to Titanium, Platinum and Gold Sponsors Only:

**NEW!** Exhibit Space – 4 points (3 available) New to the PLMA Conference, our exhibit spaces at the 50<sup>th</sup> Conference will provide space for a smaller 8 x 8 pop-up exhibit display, or small equipment displays. This space is slightly smaller than a traditional 10 x 10 exhibit space thus a 10 x 10 exhibit property will not fit. Spaces will be marked to define 'lot' lines. This space will allow you to really showcase your latest technology or service. Spaces will be located in the large foyer area outside but adjacent to the Sponsor Lounge where all meals, breaks and Tuesday's Sponsor Networking Reception will be held. Offered only to Titanium, Platinum and Gold Sponsors. Only 3 are available so book early!

**Connectivity Sponsor - Wi-Fi: 3 points –** Sponsorship of Wi-Fi service for the entire conference is acknowledged throughout the conference within the print program, conference app and during the General Sessions to remind attendees how to access the conference network. Sponsor provides the Wi-Fi password to be used for access to the conference network.

**Connectivity Sponsor - Power Alley: 3 points –** Sponsorship of the complimentary power rows in the main General Session room during the conference will be acknowledged within the print program and our conference app giving logo brand recognition. Additional acknowledgement will be made during the General Sessions and in conference signage. Sponsor may also place one promotional item at each seat within the Power Alley rows.

**Connectivity Sponsor – Mobile App: 3 points –** Sponsorship of the official conference app of the PLMA will position your logo within a scrolling banner acknowledgement on the conference app home screen. This is a fantastic way to get eyeballs on your logo throughout the conference! Additional acknowledgement will be made during the General Sessions and in conference signage.

**Connectivity Sponsor - AV (Audio Visual): 3 points –** Sponsorship of the audio visual for the conference will be acknowledged within the print program and within the conference app. Additional acknowledgement will be made during the General Sessions and in conference signage.

**NEW!** Connectivity Sponsor – Charging Station: 2 points (2 available) – Sponsorship of a charging station located in the Sponsor Lounge and/or Foyer area during the entire event. The charging station will put your brand front and center as stand attendees visit to charge-up! Acknowledgement will be made in signage, print agenda, conference app and from the podium during the conference.

**Registration Desk Sponsor: 3 points** – Sponsorship of conference registration desk provides brand recognition with every conference attendee as name badges will come with a lanyard branded with your logo. Additional acknowledgement will be made during the General Sessions and in conference signage.



### PREMIUM OPTIONS FOR TITANIUM, PLATINUM & GOLD SPONSORS (cont'd)

**NEW!** 50<sup>th</sup> PLMA Room Key Sponsor at the Marriott: 2 points – Sponsorship of room keys for attendees staying at our host Marriott hotel. Put your brand in the hands of attendees and receive acknowledgement in conference signage, the print program, conference app and from the podium.

**Networking – Sunday Casual Networking Event: 1 point –** Sponsorship of a fun, casual get-together of food, drink, and comradery for those arriving early to Brooklyn. This early evening event being held at the Ainslie Brooklyn will provide a super welcoming eco-friendly beer-garden atmosphere. Acknowledgement will be made within event signage, print program, conference mobile app, as well as in welcome information for those participating in the event.

**Networking – Monday Meetup: 2 points -** Sponsorship of a casual networking event for participants of the Training and Interest Group sessions to celebrate the day's learnings and the conference sessions ahead! Acknowledgement during the Monday's sessions, in the printed agenda, conference agenda signage and at the Meetup as well.

Networking – Monday Welcome Reception at the NY Marriott: 3 points (2 available) – Sponsorship of the largest reception event of the conference held Monday evening, November 11, from 8:00 pm – 10:00 pm where attendees will enjoy music, refreshments (beer, wine, cocktails and light hors d'oeuvres) right at our conference hotel, The NY Marriott at the Brooklyn Bridge. We are working on a special reception honoring our 50<sup>th</sup> PLMA Conference. And, once we announce our theme, you'll want to provide a giveaway as well! Acknowledgement will be made within the welcome remarks at the event as well as by the session co-chairs during the day on Tuesday, and within signage, the print program and the conference mobile app.

**NEW!** Networking – Monday Welcome Reception Champagne Toast (includes PLMA co-branded glass giveaway): 2 points – Sponsorship of a special 50<sup>th</sup> PLMA Conference Champagne Toast during the Monday Welcome Reception. Your brand will sparkle in gold against the bubbly in glasses with a special designed logo that will go home with attendees. Acknowledgement will be made during the toast by PLMA Chair Rich Barone, in signage, the print program, conference app and from the podium.

**NEW!** Networking – Monday Welcome Reception Game Sponsor: 2 points – Sponsor of large games to be provided as additional entertainment for attendees of the Monday Welcome Reception. Acknowledgement in conference signage, the print program, conference app and from the podium.

**Networking – Monday Welcome Entertainment Sponsor: 1 point (3 available)** – Sponsorship of the entertainment at the Monday Welcome Reception, the largest reception during the conference, held from 8:00 – 10:00 pm. Recognition will be made from the stage at the event, within event signage, the print program, conference mobile app, and within remarks made by the session co-chairs during the day on Tuesday.



### PREMIUM OPTIONS FOR TITANIUM, PLATINUM & GOLD SPONSORS (cont'd)

**Networking – Tuesday Sponsor Reception: 2 points (2 available)** – Sponsorship of the networking reception held in the Sponsor Lounge immediately following the conclusion of Tuesday's General Session from 5:00 pm-6:30 pm. This heavily attended event is where attendees enjoy a beverage, a few hors d'oeuvres, a chance to network and win a door prize. A member of the sponsor team will also be invited to assist the PLMA in drawing names for PLMA provided door prizes. Acknowledgement will be made during the General Session, at the Sponsor Reception, as well as within the print agenda, conference signage and conference mobile app.

**Networking – Wednesday Ice Cream Social: 2 points –** Sponsorship of this very popular social serves as the official closing of the PLMA Conference and as a gathering place of utility members as they prepare to step into their ULME meeting shortly following the social, giving the sponsor opportunity for further brand recognition at the end of the conference. Acknowledgement will be made within the print program, conference mobile app, signage and during Closing Remarks for the conference.

**General Session Sponsorships (3 available): 2 points each** – Sponsorship of the conference General Sessions puts your logo front and center for your selection for one of two Tuesday options, or sponsorship of Wednesday's agenda.

Available Options:

Option 1: Tuesday Morning: Opening Session and General Session 2

Option 2: Tuesday Afternoon: General Sessions 3, and 4

Option 3: Wednesday: Closing Session

Recognition will be made within the print program, conference mobile app, conference signage, and within remarks made by the session co-chairs during the day.

Special Benefit from Utility Dive for Titanium, Platinum & Gold Sponsors! Titanium, Platinum and Gold sponsors can take advantage a 15% discount on paid distribution opportunities within Utility Dive's "sponsored content" channel reaching over 25,000 subscribers. This generous discount is offered exclusively to Titanium, Platinum and Gold sponsors who are also first-time Utility Dive/Industry Dive clients. This is an awesome opportunity for you to pass on to your marketing team to broaden your visibility within the Utility Dive subscriber community, at a budget friendly rate. Please contact Judy Knight, jknight@peakload.org for more information.



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