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### **Membership Updates**

#### NetWorks

Are you missing discussion posts from your peers? In your profile area, in NetWorks, under "My Account," choose "Community Notifications." Update your preferences to make sure you are receiving Real Time or Daily Digest.

Questions about using NetWorks? Contact [membership@utc.org](mailto:membership@utc.org) for assistance!

#### Membership Renewal Notices for 2018 Have Been Issued!

Hard copy membership notices for the 2018 membership year have been sent to the primary contact listed for your company. This is a gentle reminder that UTC will be moving the membership year to a calendar year from an October 1-September 30 format, which is a result of the need to align UTC's budget schedule with those of our members. The renewal notices for the 2018 membership year were mailed last month. Membership notices detailed 15 months of membership instead of 12 months to accommodate the move. Subsequent invoices for the membership years beginning in 2019 will be on a calendar year basis. Given that most of our members operate on calendar-year budgets; our hope is that this change will be a helpful one. If you have any questions, please contact Karna Thomas or Tiffany Bennett at [membership@utc.org](mailto:membership@utc.org).

Are you taking advantage of your UTC membership? Review the [2016 Annual Report](#) to see the accomplishments through collaboration and strategic priorities.

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### **Attend an Upcoming UTC Meeting**

September 6-8, 2017

[Region 1 & 2 Combined Meeting](#)

Galloway, NJ

September 14-15, 2017

[Region 9 Meeting](#)

Spokane, WA

September 19-22, 2017

[EUTC Annual Conference](#)

Lisbon, Portugal

September 26-29, 2017

[Canadian Utilities IT & Telecom Conference 2017](#)

Regina, SK Canada

October 4-6, 2017

[Southeast Region 3 Meeting](#)

Myrtle Beach, SC

October 12, 2017

[Region 8 Fall Technical 2017](#)

Denver, CO

October 19-20, 2017

[Southwest Region 10 Fall Technical 2017](#)

Phoenix, AZ

October 26-27, 2017

[Region 4 Great Lakes Meeting](#)

Columbus, OH

If you have any problems registering, please contact [meetings@utc.org](mailto:meetings@utc.org).

For vendor partners interested in exhibiting or sponsoring, please see the information for each meeting or contact [Cheryl Stratos](#).

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### **Participate in an Upcoming Webinar**

Webinars are a terrific opportunity to gain exposure to a specific topic - all from the comfort of your own desk!

For more information on upcoming webinars contact [Andrew Wheelock](#)  
Interested in presenting a webinar? Contact [Bob Lockhart](#)

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## **2017 Educational Topics**

Wondering what topics Security, IT/OT, Technical Division will cover this month?

September 2017

Dealing with Insider Threats  
Big Data and OT/IT Architectures

For more information contact [Bob Lockhart](#)

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## **Committee Corner**

*Committee Meetings and Information*

The latest information on UTC leadership and staff contacts can be found on our [website](#). Descriptions of the committees/divisions/councils are below and we urge you to consider participating!

Please contact [membership@utc.org](mailto:membership@utc.org) if you would like more information on joining/participating.

### **IT/OT Committee**

Facilitates the advancement of UTC's member intelligence across all utility types and strengthens the direction of IT/OT products and solutions. Through various forums, this committee will impart industry expert knowledge, enabling relationships of UTC members and product vendors, and ensure that IT/OT information is readily available.

*Calls are held the first Wednesday of each month at 1:00 PM EDT*  
Next Call: Wednesday, September 5, 2017 at 1:00 PM EDT

[Staff Liaison: Bob Lockhart](#)

### **Knowledge and Learning**

Provides strategic support to ensure focus, direction and support to the various Divisions/Committees within UTC. The goal is the creation and dissemination of clear, concise communication of UTC's experience and industry intelligence across all critical infrastructure types. The committee also serves as an information repository for all UTC groups.

*Calls are held quarterly*

Next Call: Friday, November 3, 2017 at 2:00 PM EDT

[Staff Liaison: Bobbi Harris](#)

### **Membership Division**

Serves as a core resource for recruiting and renewing UTC members. The Division has developed a [membership engagement strategy and plan](#) along with encouraging existing members who are excited and interested in promoting membership in UTC to engage in a peer-to-peer 2018 recruitment and retention campaign.

*Calls are held the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of every month at 11:00 AM EDT*

Next Call: Friday, September 15, 2017 at 11:00 AM EDT

[Staff Liaison: Tiffany Bennett](#)

### **Public Policy Division**

Set up to establish, review and execute a compelling program of work that supports and advances UTC's issues and policy positions with legislators, regulators and utilities, including UTC members.

*Calls are held the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of every month at 11:00 AM EDT*

Next Call: – Thursday, September 21, 2017 at 2:00 PM EDT

[Staff Liaison: Sharla Artz](#)

### **Regional Council**

Represents the membership of our 10 U.S. Regions. The UTC Regional Council strives to support and align with the overall mission and vision of the UTC organization, consistently throughout our regions.

*Calls are held quarterly*

Next Call: Tuesday, September 19, 2017 at 2:00 pm EDT

[Staff Liaison: Karnel Thomas](#)

### **Security, Risk and Compliance Committee**

UTC core member-only body, which is used to facilitate a member driven conversation centered on industry issues which rest upon the pillars of cyber, physical, and human security, risk and compliance. Committee scope includes IT, OT, telecom, physical security, and any other systems that utilities deploy.

*Calls are held the third Friday of each month at 2:00 PM EDT*

Next Call: Friday September 15, 2017 at 2:00 PM EDT

[Staff Liaison: Sharla Artz](#)

### **Technical Division**

A core resource for UTC staff, board of directors, committees and divisions around emerging technical topics which may span across multiple or previously unaddressed subject areas of existing committees. The division will guide questions and issues toward existing subject matter experts (SMEs) within the UTC organization and recruit new SMEs.

*Calls are held quarterly, the first Thursdays*

Next Call: Thursday, September 7, 2017 at 1:00 PM EDT

[Staff Liaison: Bob Lockhart](#)

### **Telecom Committee**

Focuses on specific industry related telecom issues, which may or may not include spectrum advocacy issues, technical reviews, or thought leadership through the development of white papers, presentations and webinars, etc.

*Calls are held the third Thursday of each month at 1:00 PM EDT*

Next Call: Thursday, September 21, 2017 at 1:00 PM EDT

[Staff Liaison: Brett Kilbourne](#)

### **Utilities Broadband Council**

Promotes opportunities for utilities to provide broadband services and deploy broadband networks in rural unserved and underserved areas through legislative and regulatory advocacy and liaisons with other interested organizations. UBC will promote opportunities for broadband funding for rural utilities and enable networking with utilities on ways to provide broadband to rural America.

*Calls are held every third Tuesday of each month at 3:00 PM EDT*

Next Call: Tuesday, September 19, 2017 at 3:00 PM EDT

[Staff Liaison: Brett Kilbourne](#)

### **Utilisite Council**

Provides thought leadership, advocacy with a unified industry voice, knowledge sharing, solutions development and educational opportunities for utility wireless collocation, joint use and fiber leasing.

*Utilisite Council holds three subcommittee calls every third week of the month*

Next Calls:

Tuesday, September 19, 2017 at 12:00 PM EDT - Utilisite Joint Use call

Wednesday, September 20, 2017 at 12:00 PM EDT – Utilisite Wireless

Collection Meeting  
Thursday, September 21, 2017 at 12:00 PM EDT – Fiber Programs

[Staff Liaison: Bobbi Harris](#)

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**Did you know?**

Since companies, not individuals, join UTC, they can sign up as many employees as they want to receive full UTC member benefits for no additional cost. Contact membership to be added to your company's membership!

**Stay connected to UTC!**

[Networks – UTC's Connected Community](#)

[LinkedIn – UTC](#)

[Twitter – UTC](#)