



# CEO Report

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**Presented by:** Carrie Meek Gallagher, Chief Executive Officer

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# Staff News

# Welcome to the LIPA Team, **Michelle Livingston!**



- Michelle Livingston, LIPA's new Public Information Officer, joined our team on March 27th.
- In her role, Michelle will be responsible for fulfilling LIPA's purpose of providing clean, reliable, and affordable electric service to our customers on Long Island and the Rockaways by working with the Vice President of Corporate Affairs and Chief of Staff to manage LIPA's internal and external communications and initiatives, managing communications projects, developing and implementing communications programs and campaigns, handling media inquiries and managing the preparation and planning for public hearings and other events.
- Michelle earned her Bachelor of Fine Arts degree in Dramatic Writing from New York University and has varied experience in Communications, Media Relations, and Marketing across multiple industries, most recently at Fordham University.

# Welcome to the LIPA Team, **Sandra Romero!**



- Sandra Romero, LIPA's new Financial Analyst, joined our team on April 24th.
- In her role, Sandra will assist the Finance and Treasury leadership to develop and implement strategies that ensure LIPA's financing requirements are met, and financial assets are managed to maximize benefits to LIPA.
- Sandra earned her Bachelor's Degree from Stony Brook University. Her background includes expertise in debt management, data analytics, and financial forecasting.
- In her previous role, Sandra served as a Public Investment Banking Fellow at Jeffries Group, a global financial services company.

# Welcome to the LIPA Team, **Aaron Kupferberg!**



- Aaron Kupferberg, LIPA's new Digital and Publications Specialist, joined our team on April 24th.
- In his role, Aaron will manage LIPA's digital content and assets, working cross-functionally to support the office of the CEO and LIPA in creating impactful, informative, and engaging visual content.
- Aaron earned his Bachelor's Degree from Syracuse University. His background includes expertise in digital content development, social media, and data analysis.
- In his previous role, Aaron served as a Medical Marketing Manager at the medical offices of Manhattan & Manhattan Cardiology.

# Welcome (officially) to the LIPA Team, **Andrew Ziltz!**



- Andrew Ziltz, LIPA's new IT Senior Analyst, Infrastructure, joined our team on April 24th.
- In his role, Andrew will provide advanced technical and operational support across enterprise infrastructure systems, end-user devices, and collaboration platforms.
- Andrew brings over a decade of experience in IT. His background includes expertise in supporting and managing enterprise desktop environments, enterprise systems analysis across complex, distributed environments, performance tuning, and optimization of large-scale systems.
- A familiar face around the office, Andrew previously served as an IT consultant for LIPA and has transitioned into a full-time role.

# Recognition of Grant Committee

Speed to Power through Accelerated Reconductoring and other Key Advanced Transmission Technology Upgrades (**SPARK**) & Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (**BRIC**)



- Donna Mongiardo
- Ken Kane
- Michael Howard
- Paul Oberting
- Craig Watkins
- Carrie Dunican
- John Mccumiskey
- Nicholas Culpepper (Tran Function)
- Anie Philip (Tran Function)
- Robert Rowe
- John Oates
- Joseph Cicalo
- Paul Simmons (Tran Function)
- Jeanine Dillon

# Thank You to LIPA Staff: Public Service Recognition Week

- May 3-9 is National Public Service Recognition Week!
- **THANK YOU** to all LIPA's employees for your dedication, professionalism, and impact on the communities we power.
- The work that you do every day enables LIPA to continue to provide reliable, resilient, affordable, and increasingly clean energy to Long Island and the Rockaways.



**PUBLIC SERVICE  
RECOGNITION WEEK**

THANK YOU TO OUR PUBLIC SERVANTS



# What We've Been Up To

# LIPA's Inaugural Bring Your Child to Work Day

- LIPA was excited to host our inaugural Bring Your Child to Work Day. The day provided our staff with an opportunity to engage meaningfully with the next generation and showcase the important work we do every day to serve Long Island and the Rockaways.
- Throughout the day, the children had an opportunity to learn from LIPA staff about how electricity works, from generation to transmission and distribution, and all about the importance of clean energy. They also engaged in hands-on learning by building working wind turbines and planting wildflowers, enjoyed a guided tour of the offices, and had a chance to see a PSEG Long Island bucket truck in action.



# WEDLI Plugging Into Power: Understanding Energy at Work

- Carrie spoke at the WEDLI (Women Economic Developers of Long Island) about the unique energy infrastructure on Long Island and how LIPA is working to deliver clean, reliable, and affordable energy to businesses across Long Island.
- She highlighted the many developments underway at LIPA to strengthen and transform the grid, while recognizing the challenges ahead, and emphasized that partnerships with small businesses are critical to developing plans for a more resilient, modern, and sustainable energy future for the communities we serve.



# Earth Week Celebration: South Fork Wind Success

- LIPA joined an Earth Week celebration of South Fork Wind's success addressing the growing energy needs of our communities on the East End of Long Island and highlighting how it has, since July 2024, been making significant contributions to our system.
- The speakers highlighted how many groups of people came together, worked tirelessly, and remained committed to turning the concept of offshore wind into reality for Long Islanders by building the country's first commercial-scale offshore wind farm.



# Island Harvest Volunteering: Giving Back to Long Islanders

- LIPA team members joined CEO Carrie Meek Gallagher at Island Harvest Food Bank, volunteering with Women Economic Developers of Long Island (WEDLI) members to fill 800 boxes of food that will be delivered to seniors living in over 90 communities throughout Long Island.
- Working side by side among pallets of food was a sobering reminder that over 240,000 Long Islanders face food insecurity each year, including seniors, children, and veterans. LIPA recognizes the impact of rising grocery costs, as many households struggle to feed their families while managing other basic needs.



# FOREWomen Long Island: Earth Day Energy Summit

- LIPA CEO Carrie Meek Gallagher joined a panel of extraordinary women leaders in energy at the FOREWomen Long Island Earth Day Energy Breakfast for a conversation about the future of energy on Long Island.
- Joined by panelists Doreen Harris of NYSERDA, Julie Tighe of NYLCV, Alanna Russo of National Grid Ventures, and Patricia Lombardi of NYPA, the panel shared stories about the challenges they faced and the opportunities they embraced throughout their distinguished careers, and how they are working together to build a resilient, safe, and affordable energy system.



# Long Island Hispanic Chamber of Commerce Meeting

- On April 23, LIPA hosted the Long Island Hispanic Chamber of Commerce for a joint event with PSEG Long Island to share information and resources available to the business community across Long Island.
- Tom Locascio, LIPA's Chief of Staff & Vice President of Corporate Affairs opened the meeting with a presentation that provided an overview of LIPA & PSEG Long Island.
- Veronica Isaac, Sr. Manager of Customer & Community Partnerships, detailed the initiatives PSEG Long Island offers through their Business First program, and Allison Puglia, Manager of Payment Assistance, covered its customer advocacy support, discount programs, and services.



# ASCEND: Networking Event

- Joseph LaMotta attended the ASCEND Long Island Networking Event, sharing with the audience information on upcoming LIPA projects and our vision for Long Island's clean energy transition.
- The purpose of the event was to present opportunities for partnership that contribute to the growth of the energy landscape. It also focused on the role of diverse suppliers in Long Island's energy future.



# Long Island Federation of Labor: Executive Presentation

- LIPA's CEO attended the Long Island Federation of Labor's monthly Executive Board meeting, where she presented on LIPA's 2025 highlights and priorities for the year ahead.
- Her presentation included updates on the Time of Day rate program, clean energy programs such as the Powering Suffolk Forward industrial solar pilot, highlights of the success of regional offshore wind projects, and ways that LIPA can partner with labor to continue to provide reliable, resilient, increasingly clean energy.



# Awards and Recognition

# Girl Scouts of Nassau County: Legacy Award Brunch

- LIPA CEO Carrie Meek Gallagher was awarded the prestigious Girl Scouts of Nassau County Legacy Award, recognizing her dedication to elevate and support the Girl Scout mission since she joined as a Brownie.
- As a Gold Award recipient, Carrie has continued to inspire future women leaders throughout her career and as LIPA's first female CEO.



# City and State Who's Who in Energy

- LIPA CEO Carrie Meek Gallagher was recognized by City & State as part of its 2026 Who's Who in Energy list. This honor highlights leaders who are driving innovative planning, shaping policy, and strengthening New York's energy future.
- Carrie's leadership continues to emphasize providing Long Island with reliable, safe, equitable, and sustainable energy, while ensuring affordability remains a core priority in all decision-making.



# City and State Above & Beyond Women

- LIPA's CEO, Carrie Meek Gallagher, was recognized by City & State New York with their 2026 Above & Beyond: Women award.
- This distinction recognizes leaders whose vision, impact, and commitment shape stronger communities and drive meaningful progress across New York.



# Thank You

**Carrie Meek Gallagher**  
Chief Executive Officer

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