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Alison Silverstein is a consultant, strategist, researcher and writer on electric transmission and reliability, energy efficiency and technology adoption issues. She has worked for decades to enable the use of energy efficiency, demand response, distributed generation, renewables and various advanced grid technologies.

Silverstein's work on ERCOT issues includes the 2021 "Never Again" recommendations on the February 2021 outages and a 2020 report, "Unleashing Demand-Side Resources in the ERCOT Competitive Market." She organized and wrote DOE's "Staff Report on Electric Markets and Reliability" (8/17) and co-authored, "A Customer-focused Framework for Electric System Resilience" (5/18) and "Customer-Focused and Clean – Power Markets for the Future" (10/18). Silverstein served as project manager for the North American Synchrophasor Initiative for 11 years. She has worked on a number of major federal electricity efforts, including the national transmission congestion studies and the Hawaii Clean Energy Initiative framework, and worked on policy and operational issues with a number of electric utilities, regional transmission organizations, generators and electric industry stakeholders.

Silverstein was an advisor to Chairman Pat Wood, III, at the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission from July 2001 through July 2004, co-chairing the 2003 Electric Systems Investigation for the U.S.-Canada blackout investigation and writing the investigation reports. She has worked at the Public Utility Commission of Texas (1995-2001) and Pacific Gas & Electric Co. She serves on the boards of the American Council for an Energy-Efficient Economy and the Health Alliance for Austin Musicians.

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