

DOE Secretary O'Leary is Plenary Speaker at 1993 MRS Fall Meeting



Hazel R. O'Leary, the seventh U.S. Secretary of Energy, will deliver the plenary address to attendees at the 1993 MRS Fall Meeting in Boston. She is expected to present up-to-the-minute coverage of the

U.S. Department of Energy's concerns and goals. Recent Department of Energy themes have centered on the mission of the national laboratories in a post-Cold War era, finding ways for business and the national laboratories to work together more easily, and getting business together with government at a time early enough to be effective. The plenary session is scheduled for Monday, November 29, 1993, 6:00 p.m., at the Boston Marriott, Copley Place, Salon E.

Before her appointment as Secretary of Energy, O'Leary was executive vice president of Northern States Power Company, headquartered in Minneapolis, Minnesota. The company provides energy to parts of five contiguous states in the northern midwest tier of the United States.

O'Leary was also affiliated with O'Leary Associates, an international energy, economics, and strategic planning firm that specialized in the preparation of

expert testimony, project financing, and the development of independent power plants. The firm also lobbied state and federal legislatures on issues involving the energy industry. Prior to this, O'Leary served as a Presidential appointee in the U.S. Department of Energy during the Carter administration, and in the Federal Energy Administration under President Ford. She was responsible for the regulation of the petroleum, natural gas, and electric industries and the federal government's conservation and environment programs.

A former partner with the Coopers and Lybrand law firm, O'Leary was also assistant attorney general for the state of New Jersey, assistant prosecutor for Essex County, New Jersey, and general counsel of the U.S. Community Services Administration.

O'Leary received her BA degree from Fisk University and her Juris Doctorate from Rutgers University.

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