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Ned Leonard joined the Center for Energy and Economic Development as Associate Vice President for Policy in March 2005 and continued in that role when – in early 2008 – CEED [*pronounced “seed”*] and Americans for Balanced Energy Choices were folded into a single organization called the American Coalition for Clean Coal Electricity. In October 2008 he was promoted to Vice President for Technology Policy. His policy work informs both the political and communications dimensions of ACCCE’s [*pronounced “ace”*] climate activities at the state, regional, and federal levels.

Ned’s primary focus and expertise concerns carbon dioxide capture, transportation, and storage. His responsibilities include keeping abreast of coal-based electricity generation technology and nurturing ACCCE’s “coal as a fuel of the future” initiative.

His background includes twenty-four years managing communications and advocacy programs for Western Fuels Association, a national fuel supply cooperative for consumer-owned electric utilities. He was responsible for energy, environmental, and natural resource issues for Senator George McGovern (D-SD) from 1977 through 1980. Before that he directed public information for the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation’s Missouri-Oahe [*oh-wah’-hee*] Projects Office in Huron, South Dakota, and was, for a year, News Director at KIMM Radio in Rapid City. He is a graduate of South Dakota State University.