ACCES provides the opportunity to build and strengthen relationships between the supplier community and state public utility commissioners, commission staff, consumer advocates, and legislators around the country. As a result, all stakeholders are able to better understand each other’s goals and find common ground on key issues for the benefit of consumers.

Suppliers can strengthen their own reputation by seeking to do what is in the best interest of consumers while developing long-term, mutually beneficial commercial relationships.

Commissioners, commission staff and state legislators will obtain a better understanding of suppliers’ perspectives on policy issues and have access to a wealth of state-specific consumer education materials.

The American Coalition of Competitive Energy Suppliers
is a group of competitive retail natural gas and electricity suppliers committed to helping consumers better understand and take advantage of energy choice.

Why do we need ACCES?
There is still a great deal of misinformation and misunderstanding in the energy marketplace.

ACCES facilitates important conversations between the supplier community and public officials to strengthen consumer awareness.
What does ACCES offer?

ACCES provides high-quality, multi-format content (including press kits, Web content, fact sheets, Op-Eds, articles, interactive exhibits and videos) that can be used and adapted by ACCES members, commissions, consumer advocates, and other approved public entities, free of charge.

The consumer education website CompetitiveEnergy.org is maintained by ACCES to provide visitors with a regularly updated industry newsfeed, an interactive quiz for consumers, educational videos, state-by-state maps and links, an overview of consumer rights, guidance for how consumers can analyze an offer, frequently asked questions and myths vs. facts about energy choice.

In addition to offering information directly to consumers, ACCES works directly with news reporters and editors to help ensure that accurate information about the supplier community is presented in the media.

How does ACCES work?

ACCES operates under the strong leadership of a group of like-minded competitive energy suppliers committed to providing value and mutual benefit to consumers. By focusing exclusively on consumer education, ACCES does not market products or services of any company or companies - which allows supplier members to come together for this important effort.

ACCES is managed on a day-to-day basis by a team of professional energy consultants that have extensive experience with public relations and public affairs at the state and federal levels. The team is able to leverage that reputation and technical capability for the benefit of ACCES, its members, and most importantly, for consumers.