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SUH, Rhea S.

Designated Federal Officer

U.S. Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative Multi-Stakeholder Group



Preferred Name: Rhea Suh

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**Rhea S. Suh** was nominated by President Obama and confirmed by the U.S. Senate in the spring of 2009 as the Chief Financial Officer and the Assistant Secretary for Policy, Management and Budget at the U.S. Department of the Interior—a cabinet-level agency in the U.S. government responsible for management of the nation’s natural and cultural resources and public lands, and for the nation’s trust responsibilities to indigenous peoples. Assistant Secretary Suh oversees the human capital, fiscal, business and budgetary management of the Department of the Interior, with a \$12 billion budget and more than 70,000 employees. She also provides policy leadership on international affairs and for Secretarial initiatives on land conservation, sustainability, youth engagement and employment and diversity.

During her tenure, Assistant Secretary Suh has led diplomatic negotiations for an international agreement that will permanently protect the Flathead River basin ecosystem in the U.S. and Canada from oil, gas, and minerals development. She also helped to elevate the Department’s engagement in a number of important multilateral processes including the Arctic Council.

Prior to her current assignment, Assistant Secretary Suh served as a program officer and manager at the David and Lucile Packard Foundation and as a program officer at the William and Flora Hewlett Foundation. In those positions, she planned and managed multi-million dollar conservation initiatives. Most notably, she led the successful effort to help protect 21 million acres of coastal temperate rainforest, known as the Great Bear Rainforest, in British Columbia.

Assistant Secretary Suh is a graduate of Barnard College, Columbia University, where she earned a Bachelor of Arts degree, and the Graduate School of Education at Harvard University, where she earned a Masters of Education, Administration, Planning and Social Policy. She was the recipient of both a Fulbright Fellowship and a Marshall Memorial Fellowship.

## BAER, Mitchell Thomas

Member, Government (Federal)



Preferred Name: Mitch Baer

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**Mitchell Baer** is the Director of Office of Oil and Gas Analysis, within the Office of Policy and International Affairs at the Department of Energy. He has been with the Department of Energy for over 12 years. The Office of Oil and Gas Analysis are responsible for the review and analysis of legislative initiatives and enacted bills, regulatory rulemakings, and implementation program plans related to the energy sector, including oil, natural gas, LNG, refined petroleum products and alternative and renewable energy resources. The Office is also responsible for policy reviews and analyses concerning environmental legislation and regulations that impact the energy resource sectors and facilities. The Office works closely with other DOE program offices, including the Energy Information Administration (EIA) and the Office of Fossil Energy, as well as other Federal and State agencies and industry organizations.

Prior to his tenure with the Department of Energy, Dr. Baer held positions with the American Petroleum Institute, several environmental consulting companies and with the Department of the Interior. His undergraduate degree is in Chemistry; he has a Master's Degree in Atmospheric Sciences, Meteorology and his Ph.D. was awarded in Environmental Science and Public Policy.

CARLSON, Curtis Paul

Member, Government (Federal)



Preferred Name: Curtis Carlson

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**Curtis Carlson** is currently the Acting Director of the Business Revenue Division of the Treasury's Office of Tax Analysis. Curtis has been financial economist at Treasury since 2000 specializing in energy and environmental issues.

Curtis has been a Senior Economist at the Council of Economic Advisors and teaches microeconomics at John Hopkins University's Advanced Academic Programs. He earned a Ph.D. in economics from the University of Maryland in 1999.

CONRAD, Gregory E.

Member, Government (State)



Preferred Name: Greg Conrad

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**Greg Conrad** is Executive Director of the Interstate Mining Compact Commission (IMCC), a multi-state governmental organization representing 25 mineral producing states. Greg has served in his position since 1988 and is responsible for overseeing several issues of importance to the states in the legislative and regulatory affairs arenas including mining and reclamation, identification and restoration of abandoned mine lands, mine safety and health, and various environmental issues associated with mineral production such as surface and ground water quality and quantity. Prior to joining IMCC, Greg served for nine years as senior counsel with the American Mining Congress, which is now part of the National Mining Association. While with AMC, Greg had primary staff responsibility for several coal related issues including transportation, leasing, research and development initiatives, and surface mining and reclamation. Greg graduated from Michigan State University with a degree in business administration and later from the University of Detroit/Mercy School of Law where he was an associate editor of the law review.

## GOULD, Gregory James

Member, Government (Federal)



Preferred Name: Greg Gould

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**Greg Gould** is Director of the Office of Natural Resources Revenue (ONRR) and is responsible for the collection and disbursement of billions of dollars annually in revenues owed the Federal government and American Indians from energy production on all Federal and American Indian lands. Additionally, he is responsible for ONRR's compliance, enforcement, and financial management programs.

Mr. Gould began his career with the Department of the Interior as a Geologist in the New York Outer Continental Shelf office of the Bureau of Land Management in 1981. Prior to serving in his current position, Mr. Gould served as head of the Environmental Division within the former Minerals Management Service and was responsible for exercising policy and staff direction over a nationwide program for environmental assessment of the Outer Continental Shelf. The Division provided policy guidance, direction, and program oversight with respect to evaluating the potential and actual environmental impacts associated with extraction of offshore minerals, including oil, gas, sand, gravel, and renewable energy production. The Division ensured agency policies and industry practices conformed to the Nation's environmental policies and laws; managed the National Offshore Environmental Studies Program; and oversaw the preparation of the Environmental Impact Statement for the 5-Year Offshore Oil and Gas Leasing Program.

In addition to his Executive Branch work, Mr. Gould served as an energy advisor to the Chairman of the U.S. House of Representatives Subcommittee on Oceanography.

Mr. Gould earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Geology from the State University of New York, a Master's degree in Public Administration from George Mason University, and graduated from the John F. Kennedy School of Government Senior Executive Fellows program at Harvard University.

## SMITH, Carl Michael

Member, Government (State)



Preferred Name: Mike Smith

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From 2002 to 2004 Carl Michael Smith served as assistant secretary of fossil energy for the U.S. Department of Energy and was the primary policy advisor to Secretary Spencer Abraham on federal coal, petroleum, and natural gas programs including extensive research and development efforts. He oversaw an organization of nearly 1,000 scientists, engineers, technicians and administrative staff in two national laboratories, four field offices, and at DOE's headquarters in Washington, DC. He was responsible for several high-priority presidential initiatives, including implementing the Bush Administration's \$2 billion development of a new generation of environmentally sound clean coal technologies and the \$1 billion FutureGen project. He also managed the nation's Strategic Petroleum Reserve and the Northeast Home Heating Oil Reserve, both key emergency response tools available to the president to protect Americans from energy supply disruptions.

Mr. Smith's international experience includes service with the secretary general, Ministry of Science and Technology, People's Republic of China as a co-Chair of the US-China Oil and Gas Forum and as chairman of the policy group, Carbon Sequestration Leadership Forum (CSLF). CSLF is a Bush Administration initiative with 21 country membership seeking technical solutions to the capture and storage of carbon dioxide from energy generating facilities. Additionally, he led U.S. bilateral fossil energy protocols in Australia, India, Norway and Russia.

From 1995 to 2002, Mr. Smith served as Oklahoma's energy secretary for former Gov. Frank Keating, responsible for fossil energy policy and oversight of seven major state energy agencies and commissions. He served as the governor's official representative to the IOGCC, the Southern States Energy Board, the Interstate Mining Compact Commission, and the Governor's Ethanol Coalition. He served as the IOGCC vice chairman in 1999.

Mr. Smith served as president of the Oklahoma Independent Petroleum Association in 1994 and operated an independent oil and gas exploration company based in Oklahoma City. He practiced energy law and earned a Bachelor of Arts and law degrees from the University of Oklahoma.

**McDONALD, Michael Brian**

Alternate, Government (Federal)



Preferred Name: Mike McDonald

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**Michael McDonald** has been a financial economist in the Business and International Tax Division of Treasury's Office of Tax Analysis since 2001.

Michael specializes in international tax transfer pricing. He is a delegate representing the United States at Working Party 6 (Taxation of Multinational Enterprises) of the OECD's Committee on Fiscal Affairs, as well as a U.S. delegate on a number of WP6 and WP1 (OECD Model Tax Treaty) subsidiary groups. He is a member of U.N. subcommittee that is drafting the United Nations Practical Manual on Transfer Pricing for Developing Countries, and a member of the Tax and Development Task Force. He has participated in a number of bilateral income tax treaty negotiations.

Prior to joining the Treasury Department, Michael was a transfer pricing economist in the National Tax Department at Ernst & Young (1996-2001). Prior to working at E&Y, Michael was on the Revenue Estimating Division at Treasury's Office of Tax Analysis (1988-1996).

Michael received a Ph.D. in economics from Boston College in 1988.

## MERSINGER, Ann Blair

Alternate, Government (Federal)



Preferred Name: Blair Mersinger

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**Blair Mersinger** is a Senior Analyst in the Office of Policy and International Affairs at the Department of Energy. Blair started her career at the Department of Energy in 2008, and now works primarily on developing and assisting in the implementation of strategies, policies, and initiatives to enhance U.S. energy security by fostering energy investment and trade, reducing barriers to U.S. firms, and furthering energy efficiency and renewable energy in sub-Saharan Africa and the Middle East. Her responsibilities also include representing the Department at regular meetings of the International Energy Agency's Standing Group on Global Energy Dialogue. During the course of her career, Blair has served as an Economic Growth Coordinator in the State Department's Office of the Director of Foreign Assistance and as the Executive Assistant to the Dean of American University's School of International Service. She is currently undertaking a one-year detail to the U.S. Trade and Development Agency, serving as a Special Projects Manager in the sub-Saharan Africa section. Blair holds a BA in International Relations and an MA in U.S. Foreign Policy from American University.

## TSCHUDY, Deborah Gibbs

Alternate, Government (Federal)



Preferred Name: Debbie Tschudy

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**Deborah Gibbs Tschudy** serves as the Deputy Director of the Office of Natural Resources Revenue (ONRR) – an agency within the U.S. Department of the Interior. ONRR is responsible for the collection, disbursement, valuation, and audit of revenues associated with the leasing and production of minerals on Federal and American Indian lands with collections of an estimated \$10 billion annually.

During her career with the Department of Interior, Ms. Tschudy has directed regulatory and policy development in the areas of royalty valuation, Native American Indian trust management, hard rock mining, and information technology. From November 1992 to October 2000, Ms. Tschudy served as the agency's Chief, Royalty Valuation Division and oversaw the development of several valuation regulations governing Federal and Indian leases. From 2000 to 2004, she served as Program Director for ONRR's Audit and Compliance program providing leadership over delegated and cooperative audit agreements with 11 States and 7 American Indian Tribes. She was responsible for implementation of the provisions of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 and the Gulf of Mexico Energy Security Act of 2006 that impact minerals revenue management. As Deputy Director of ONRR, Ms. Tschudy oversees ONRR's operations in Lakewood, Colorado

Ms. Tschudy is a recipient of the President's Rank Award for Meritorious Service and was chosen as the Colorado Federal Executive Board's 2011 Executive of the Year. She received a Bachelor of Arts in Mathematics from the University of Colorado and a Master's of Science in Mineral Economics from the Colorado School of Mines.

## TYSSELING, John Charles

Alternate, Government (State)



Preferred Name: John Tysseling

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**John C. Tysseling, Ph.D.** serves as Chief Economist for the New Mexico Taxation & Revenue Department, Dr. Tysseling serves as an expert in applied economic analysis relating to fiscal and tax policy, economic modeling and forecasting , and provides direction to a staff of economists responsible for the fiscal analyses of New Mexico state government’s revenues (approximately \$6 billion). Before re-joining the state in 2012, he led a private consulting practice for two decades with services focused on market competition issues, taxation and royalty valuation, energy and natural resources development— particularly relating to natural gas, oil, electricity, renewable energy, coal, air emissions, water, and recreation. Dr. Tysseling is an experienced expert witness having testified widely on economic analysis of taxation and fiscal policy, competitive economic markets, market and public utility regulation, natural resource use and energy economics. From 1985 through 1992 Dr. Tysseling served as the Director of the Economic, Statistical and Policy Analysis Division for the New Mexico State Land Office.

Dr. Tysseling was awarded a Doctor of Philosophy degree by the Department of Economics at the University of New Mexico in 1986, with major fields in applied natural resource economics and natural resources law. He published on a variety of energy and natural resource management issues.

## *Civil Society Organization Sector*

## CIVIL SOCIETY ORGANIZATION

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ADAMSON, Rebecca Lee

Member, Civil Society Organization



Preferred Name: Rebecca Adamson

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**Rebecca Adamson**, Cherokee economist, is Founder and President of First Peoples Worldwide. A leader, activist, and ground-breaking indigenous woman, Rebecca holds a distinct perspective of how indigenous people's value and economic systems can transform business models of today. Ms. Adamson has worked directly with grassroots tribal communities, and nationally as an advocate of local tribal issues, since 1970. She established the premiere US development institute, First Nations Development Institute in 1980 and in 1997 she created the first US based global indigenous peoples NGO, First Peoples Worldwide. Ms. Adamson's work established the first microenterprise loan fund in the United States; the first tribal investment model and a national movement for reservation land reform. Ms. Adamson has established a new field of culturally appropriate, values-driven development which led to legislation that established new standards of accountability regarding federal trust responsibility for Native Americans.

She holds a Masters in Science in Economic Development from Southern New Hampshire University (formerly New Hampshire College) in Manchester, New Hampshire, where she has also taught a graduate course on Indigenous Economics within the Community Economic Development Program and a Doctor in Humane Letters degree from Dartmouth College.

## BOETTNER, James Albert Theodore

Member, Civil Society Organization



Preferred Name: Ted Boettner

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**Ted Boettner** is the Executive Director of the West Virginia Center on Budget and Policy. As a co-founder, Ted brings a wealth of experience and understanding of state fiscal issues. In addition to running the Center, Ted is the author of numerous reports on state tax and budget issues, economic development, and family economic security, including the annual “State of Working West Virginia.” Ted frequently presents analyses of policy proposals to the West Virginia Legislature and testifies before committees. He also regularly addresses statewide civic groups on state tax, budget and economic policies and is frequently quoted in news stories on those topics. In 2011, The State Journal named Ted “one of the most influential businesses leaders” in West Virginia. Ted also serves on the board of directors of Cabin Creek Health Systems and Mountain State Justice, and he is an adjunct instructor at West Virginia University Institute of Technology.

Ted holds a B.S. in journalism from West Virginia University and a M.A. in political science from the University of New Hampshire.

BRIAN, Danielle G.

Member, Civil Society Organization



Preferred Name: Danielle Brian

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**Danielle Brian** has been the Executive Director of the Project On Government Oversight (POGO) since 1993. POGO is a nonpartisan independent watchdog that champions good government reforms. POGO's investigations into corruption, misconduct, and conflicts of interest achieve a more effective, accountable, open, and ethical federal government. Information about POGO, including the organization's financial disclosures, can be found here:<http://www.pogo.org/about/> Ms. Brian was inducted into the Freedom of Information Act Hall of Fame, was twice ranked by Ethisphere magazine as one of the top 100 most influential people in business ethics, and received the Smith College Medal. Brian serves on the board of Taxpayers for Common Sense, and is the chair of the Steering Committee for Openthegovernment.org. She received her Bachelor of Arts in Government from Smith College, and her Master's Degree in International Relations from the Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies.

## BUGALA, Paul Jordan

Member, Civil Society Organization



Preferred Name: Paul Bugala

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**Paul Bugala** is the Senior Sustainability Analyst for Extractive Industries and heads environmental, social and governance (ESG) research and advocacy for the oil, gas and mining industries at Calvert Investments, Inc. He also contributes to Calvert’s integration of traditional investment and ESG analysis. Prior to Calvert, Mr. Bugala served in research and advocacy roles at the international development aid organization Oxfam America. He also has experience as an industry analyst and a public relations executive. While at Calvert, Mr. Bugala has been a member of sustainability advisory groups for Suncor Energy, Newmont Mining Corporation and Sunoco. He is also a member of the United Nations Principles for Responsible Investing working groups on ESG Integration, Carbon Disclosure and the Rights of Indigenous Peoples. Mr. Bugala is an active member of the sustainable and responsible investment industry group US SIF as well as the Sustainable Investment Research Analyst Network (SIRAN). His publications related to USEITI include the reports “Transparency Begins at Home: An Assessment of United States Revenue Transparency and Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative Requirements” (2006 – Oxfam America/Publish What You Pay) and “Materiality of Disclosure Required by the Energy Security Through Transparency Act” (2010, Calvert Investment Management, Inc.). He was also the peer reviewer of the United States sections of the Revenue Watch Institute’s 2010 and (forthcoming) 2013 Revenue Watch Indices.

## ROGERS, Deborah Lee

Member, Civil Society Organization



Preferred Name: Deborah Rogers

**Deborah Rogers** began her financial career in London working in investment banking. Upon her return to the U.S., she worked as a financial consultant for several major Wall Street firms, including Merrill Lynch and Smith Barney. Ms. Rogers then struck out on an entrepreneurial venture in 2003 with the founding of Deborah's Farmstead, an artisanal cheese-making operation, and quickly established the company as one of the premier artisanal dairies and cheese makers in the U.S., the cheese having won several major national awards.

Ms. Rogers served on the Advisory Council for the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas from 2008-2011. She was appointed in 2011 by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) to a task force reviewing placement of air monitors in the Barnett Shale region in light of air quality concerns brought about by the natural gas operations in North Texas. In June of 2012, she was invited to speak in Rio de Janeiro at the International Society for Ecological Economics in conjunction with the United Nations Rio+20 world summit. She is a Member of the Board of Earthworks/OGAP (Oil and Gas Accountability Project). She is also the founder of Energy Policy Forum, a consultancy and educational forum dedicated to policy and financial issues regarding shale gas and renewable energy.

## ROMIG, Jr. Keith Duane

Member, Civil Society Organization

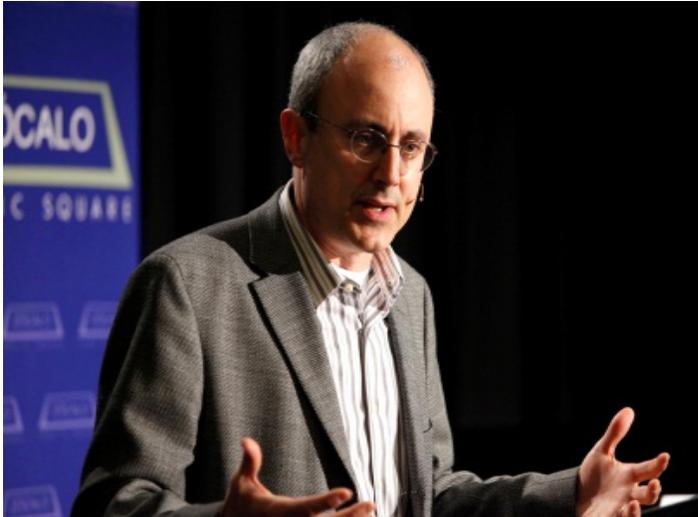
Preferred Name: Keith Romig

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**Keith Romig, Ph. D.,** works for the United Steelworkers as a public policy analyst and advocate. He also provides specialized collective bargaining assistance to local unions. He is a primary corporate research and policy resource for the union's paper, oil, chemical, mining and nuclear sectors. Prior to the 2005 merger of the Steelworkers and PACE International Union (Paper, Allied-Industrial, Chemical & Energy Workers) he directed the international affairs work of PACE and advised the union's leadership on matters of public policy. He was a founding board member and has been an officer of the Manufacturing Skill Standards Council. From 2001 – 03 he served as a member of the Small Business, Labor and Agricultural Advisory Panel of the Federal Reserve Bank in Atlanta. From 1997 – 2000, he was communications director of the United Paperworkers International Union (UPIU) and then PACE, after the 1999 merger of the UPIU with the Oil, Chemical & Atomic Workers International Union. In addition, in his previous work as a staff member of the UPIU, he conducted mobilization efforts and contract campaigns. This service included publicity, video production, and member mobilization and training in the field. He received a Ph.D. in chemical engineering from the University of Colorado in 1987.

ROSS, Michael Lewin

Member, Civil Society Organization



Preferred Name: Michael Ross

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**Michael L. Ross** is Professor of Political Science at the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA), and Director of the Center for Southeast Asian Studies. He has served on advisory boards for the World Bank, the National Intelligence Council, the Revenue Watch Institute, and the Natural Resource Charter, and has published in *Foreign Affairs*, *Foreign Policy*, *The New York Times*, *The Los Angeles Times*, and *Harper's*, as well as leading academic journals. His most recent book, *The Oil Curse: How Petroleum Wealth Shapes the Development of Nations* was named an 'Outstanding Academic Title' for 2012 by *Choice* magazine, and will soon be published in Russian and Arabic.

SLAJER, Veronica Anne

Member, Civil Society Organization



Preferred Name: Veronica Slajer

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**Veronica Slajer** is a Communities and Governments Advisor for the North Star Group (NSG), an independent consulting firm. Ms. Slajer has worked on matters affecting rural communities and Indigenous Peoples for more than 30 years. As an Alaska resident, Ms. Slajer worked previously for the State of Alaska, as well as with tribal and local governments. Ms. Slajer started NSG in 2002 after her tenure at the Alyeska Pipeline Service Company's federal government affairs office in Washington, D.C. NSG provides an array of services geared toward collaborative success, stakeholder support, community empowerment, effective government relations, and responsible social and environmental practices.

## FINEBERG, Richard Arthur

Alternate, Civil Society Organization



Richard A. Fineberg

Preferred Name: Richard Fineberg

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**Richard A. Fineberg** has researched and reported on economic and environmental issues related to Alaska and global petroleum development for four decades. Fineberg came to Alaska in 1969 to teach undergraduate and graduate courses in political science at the University of Alaska, leaving that position in 1971 to devote full time to freelance reporting.

In 1983 Fineberg entered government service, where he held the position of senior advisor to the Governor of Alaska on oil and gas policy between 1986 and 1989. In this capacity, his portfolio included issues such as oil and gas litigation, national energy policy and revenue forecasting, as well as special assignments.

Since leaving government Fineberg has consulted, prepared reports and served as an occasional expert witness for non-profit and government organizations, independent developers and private investors.

## GOLDWYN, David Lesley

Alternate, Civil Society Organization



Preferred Name: David Goldwyn

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**David L. Goldwyn** is President of Goldwyn Global Strategies, LLC (GGS), an international energy advisory consultancy. GGS is a leader in educating governments on best practices in extractive industry transparency and unconventional oil and gas development.

David was the principal author and editor of “Drilling Down: The Civil Society Guide to Extractive Industry Revenues and the EITP” (Revenue Watch Institute, May 2008). He was an adviser to “Talking Transparency – A Guide for Communicating the Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative” (EITI 2008). David was the technical adviser for Nigeria’s landmark EITI audits of the physical, process and fiscal conduct of Nigeria’s oil and gas industry for the 1999-2004 time period as well as subsequent 2005-2006 audits. David’s predecessor company was selected to be the first U.S.-based EITI Validator in 2008.

David served as the U.S. State Department’s Special Envoy and Coordinator for International Energy Affairs from 2009-2011, reporting directly to Secretary of State Hillary Clinton, where he conceived and developed the Global Shale Gas Initiative and the Energy Governance and Capacity Initiative. Prior to his appointment, David also served the U.S. Government as Assistant Secretary of Energy for International Affairs (1999-2001); Counselor to the Secretary of Energy (1998-1999); national security deputy to U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations Bill Richardson (1997-1998); Chief of Staff to the Under Secretary of State for Political Affairs (1993-1997) and an Attorney-Adviser in the Office of the Legal Adviser at the State Department (1991-1992).

He has authored a series of works on energy issues, including (with Jan Kalicki) “Energy and Security: Toward a New Foreign Policy Strategy” (Johns Hopkins University Press, Wilson Center Press: 2005). A second edition of the book is due out in Fall 2013. David serves as a Nonresident Senior Fellow at the Brookings Institution. He is a member of the National Petroleum Council and an alternate member of the U.S. Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative (EITI).

## KRILL, Jennifer Lyn

Alternate, Civil Society Organization



Preferred Name: Jennifer Krill

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**Jennifer Krill** is the Executive Director of EARTHWORKS—an organization dedicated to protecting communities and the environment from the impacts of irresponsible mineral and energy development. Earthworks was founded in 1988 with an initial focus of reforming the US Mining Law of 1872, and has since launched the innovative No Dirty Gold Campaign to build support in the marketplace for reforming the policies and practices of the mining industry. Earthworks' Oil & Gas Accountability Project has a 14-year track record of working with tribal, urban and rural communities to protect their homes and the environment from the devastating impacts of oil and gas drilling and development.

A lifelong activist, Jennifer has previously directed campaigns at Rainforest Action Network (RAN), where she helped negotiate a landmark policy from Boise Cascade to protect old growth forests, managed RAN's program to convince Japanese paper companies to stop buying old growth pulp from Tasmania, led the grassroots organizing campaign resulting in Home Depot ending its purchases of endangered wood products, directed the successful campaign to jumpstart Ford Motor Company, and co-designed RAN's innovative effort to spur the nation's largest banks to stop financing climate change-causing industries. Prior to RAN, Jennifer worked at Greenpeace and at the Sea Turtle Restoration Project.

She is a co-founder and currently serves as secretary of the board of directors of Plug In America, and also serves on the board of the Labor Network for Sustainability and the advisory committee of the Business Ethics Network. Jennifer holds a B.A. and a B.L.A. from Ball State University. An avid traveler, Jennifer splits her time between Earthworks' headquarters in Washington, D.C., and its field office in Berkeley, California, where she lives with her husband. Whenever she can, Jennifer escapes into the Sierra Nevada Mountains for skiing, paddling, and wilderness backpacking.

## LeVine, Michael Colin

Alternate, Civil Society Organization



Preferred Name: Mike LeVine

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**Michael LeVine**, based in Juneau, Alaska, is Pacific Senior Counsel for Oceana. He has worked on resource management and related topics for more than a decade and currently provides legal expertise and guidance for Oceana on issues in Alaska and along the Pacific coast, including oil and gas activities, industrial fishing, and ocean acidification. He has particular expertise in offshore oil and gas regulation and management as well as the impacts of large-scale commercial fishing on threatened and endangered species. He has B.S., with distinction, in Civil and Environmental Engineering from Cornell University; a Juris Doctor, with high honors, from Duke University School of Law; and a Master of Environmental Management from the Nicholas School of the Environment at Duke.

MORSE, Rebecca Alinda

Alternate, Civil Society Organization

Preferred Name: Rebecca Morse

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**Rebecca Morse** is an Advocacy Officer at the Revenue Watch Institute (RWI), a non-profit policy institute that promotes the responsible management of oil, gas and mineral resources for the public good. Rebecca leads RWI's U.S. policy and programs, and coordinates the organization's international advocacy campaigns. Her work is largely focused on governance standards for extractive industries, particularly in major capital markets and at the international level. Rebecca is a native of Rochester, New York, and graduated from Wesleyan University with a B.A. in History.

## SANSON, Brian Edward

Alternate, Civil Society Organization

Preferred Name: Brian Sanson

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**Brian Sanson** is currently the Director of Research and oversees the Collective Bargaining Office, and Contract Departments for the United Mine Workers of America.

Brian was employed by numerous UMWA construction contractors through United Mine Workers of America Local Union 1582. Brian performed many duties during his career as a coal mine construction employee including, heavy equipment operator, rock truck driver, iron worker, crane operator. In addition, Brian served as the elected Health and Safety Committee and Grievance Committee. Brian continues as a member of Local Union 1582.

In 2000, Brian went to work for the United Mine Workers of America Career Centers where he counseled laid-off coal miners and assisted them in retraining and job placement. In 2005, Brian began employment with the United Mine Workers of America International Union as a research assistant. Since 2005, Brian has negotiated multiple contracts, including portions of the National Bituminous Coal Wage Agreement, and successfully negotiated the Foundation Coal Holdings labor dispute in 2007. In 2010 Brian was appointed Deputy Director of Research and serves on the President's Labor Advisory Committee for Trade Negotiations and Trade Policy as the Liaison to UMWA President Cecil E. Roberts.

Brian is the UMWA's Liaison to the United Mine Workers of America Health and Retirement Funds. These funds provide pension and health care benefits to over 100,000 coal miners and their surviving spouses.

## SHERMAN, Laura Beth

Alternate, Civil Society Organization



Preferred Name: Laurie Sherman

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**Laura B. Sherman** is Senior Legal Advisor at Transparency International-USA, a non-profit organization focused on combating corruption and promoting transparency and integrity in government, business and development assistance. She is involved in projects related to government procurement, advocacy before the U.S. Government on expanding commitments by trading partners to criminalize foreign bribery and enforce those laws, private sector implementation, verification of anti-corruption programs and many others things.

In addition, Ms. Sherman provides legal representation and strategic advice to businesses, governments and international organizations on transactional issues, telecommunications regulation and international trade. Ms. Sherman has extensive experience in negotiating trade agreements and advising on international trade obligations, such as compliance with World Trade Organization ("WTO") obligations and various aspects of telecommunications regulatory reform.

She has a J.D. from Georgetown University Law Center, *magna cum laude*, and a B.A., *cum laude*, from Cornell University. She is a member of the bars of New York and the District of Columbia.

## TAYLOR, Elizabeth Mary

Alternate, Civil Society Organization



Preferred Name: Betsy Taylor

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**Betsy Taylor** is a cultural anthropologist whose primary fieldwork has been in Central Appalachia and Northeast India. Her recent research is on emerging forms of civil society and social movements, community-based natural resource management, critical regional studies, globalization and sustainability. Her scholarly writings engage questions of environmental identities, the construction of identity (gender, class, place, ethnicity, religious), the constitution of public space, public involvement and civic engagement. In addition to numerous scholarly articles, she is co-author (with Herbert Reid) of *Recovering the Commons: Democracy, Place, and Global Justice* (Urbana: University of Illinois Press, 2010). She has worked on many projects for community-driven, integrated, sustainable development in Appalachia and India – including health, agriculture, forestry, culture and environmental stewardship. Betsy Taylor is currently Research Scientist in the Dept. of Religion and Culture at Virginia Tech. At the University of Kentucky, she served as Co-Director of Environmental Studies, Research Director for the Appalachian Center and on the faculty of the Social Theory program. WEBSITE: <http://vt.academia.edu/BetsyTaylor>

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## DENNING, Phillip Edward

Member, Industry



Preferred Name: Phil Denning

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**Phil Denning** has more than 35 years of extractive industry experience, with a broad understanding of US and international activities from a revenue, financial reporting and statutory reporting basis, tax and royalty issues, and ERP or computer system ramifications.

Phil presently serves as Chairman of the API Accounting Committee. As a committee chair and a representative of Shell, he collaborates with such stakeholders as other international oil and gas companies, the US SEC, the Big 4 accounting firms, the Financial Accounting Standards Board, and the International Accounting Standards Board on implementation activities where multiple stakeholders have been involved on implementing major or “game changer” issues which impact the oil and gas industry.

The US EITI implementation has a direct linkage to the recently issued Dodd Frank §1504 legislation for extractive payments to governments. Phil has been involved with this application for the oil and gas industry since the proposed rules were issued by the SEC several years ago and will continue to be involved in this implementation effort.

Mr. Denning is President-elect of the Houston chapter of Financial Executives International.

## FLANNIGAN, Michael John

Member, Industry



Preferred Name: Michael Flannigan

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**Michael J. Flannigan** is Vice President of International Government Relations. Michael is responsible for strengthening Peabody's relationships with key international policymakers and stakeholders, influencing global policy issues affecting Peabody and working with the business development team to advance the company's strategic interests.

Michael has over 20 years of experience in public policy, external relations and project development. He most recently served as Global Practice Leader of Government and Corporate Relations for Rio Tinto. In that role, Michael worked on government and corporate relations activity in Asia, Africa, Australia, Europe and the Americas. Prior to that, he served as Vice President of Communications and External Relations for the United States and South America with responsibility for media, communications, government relations, community relations and sustainable development. Flannigan earlier developed and strengthened relationships with policymakers, non-governmental organizations and regulators as head of Rio Tinto's Washington, D.C. office and Vice President of Federal Government Affairs.

Prior to Rio Tinto, Michael served as Senior Policy Advisor for the U.S. Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, Legislative Assistant to U.S. Senator Frank H. Murkowski and Special Assistant to U.S. Senator J. Bennett Johnston. He holds a Master of Policy Management degree from Georgetown University and earned a Bachelor of Science in Political Science at the University of Oregon.

## GINSBERG, Susan Woolum

Member, Industry



Preferred Name: Susan Ginsberg

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**Susan Woolum Ginsberg** is Vice President of Crude Oil and Natural Gas Regulatory Affairs for the Independent Petroleum Association of America. Susan covers issues before the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, the Securities and Exchange Commission, and the Department of Transportation. She has represented the interests of independent producers on financial reform issues, particularly regarding margin and capital requirements ensuing from the Dodd-Frank Act. Susan joined IPAA in 2004 after 17 years with the natural gas marketing subsidiaries of Coastal Corporation and El Paso Corporation, providing regulatory expertise on issues before FERC and the Department of Energy. Susan was born and raised in Dallas. She graduated from Georgetown University with a B.A. in Economics. Susan and her husband reside in Silver Spring, MD. Her son is a freshman at OU, with plans to enter the Energy Management program. Daughter Emily will graduate in May from the Fletcher School of International Law and Diplomacy at Tufts.

## KOHLER, Veronika Martha

Member, Industry



Preferred Name: Veronika Kohler

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**Veronika M. Kohler** is the Director of International Policy at the U.S. National Mining Association and responsible for all of the association's engagement on international issues that impact the mining sector.

Veronika joined NMA in 2010 after working for The World Bank in the Sustainable Energy, Oil, Gas and Mining Division for five years. During that time she worked on mining projects in Africa, Central and South America, and Asia and on overarching global issues impacting the mining sector. Veronika facilitated continuing efforts on Communities and Artisanal and Small-Scale Mining work.

She received her undergraduate degree from George Mason University and her graduate degree from Universidad Jaime I.

REYNOLDS, Robert Arthur

Member, Industry



Preferred Name: Bob Reynolds

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**Bob Reynolds**, BP's Manager Production Taxes & Royalties, has approximately 36 years of oil & gas experience. Over this time, Bob has had wide-ranging roles in operations and commercial analysis as well as financial, production, royalty and regulatory reporting. The later activities have included 15 years of experience in the administration of the full life-cycle of production reporting, royalties and severance taxes for approximately 30 State, Federal and Tribal regimes in BP's Alaska, Lower 48 and GOM operations. In his current capacity, Bob also consults on State and Federal initiatives such as the Dodd Frank legislation.

ROMAN, James Paul

Member, Industry



Preferred Name: Jim Roman

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**Jim Roman** is the Principle Consultant for Taxation at ConocoPhillips. He is from Detroit, Michigan and graduated from Wayne State University in 1980 with a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration. In 1984 he graduated with a Masters of Business Administration with a concentration in Taxation from the University of Houston. Jim has worked in the energy industry for 33 years and 31 of those have been with ConocoPhillips in Ponca City, Oklahoma and Houston, Texas. Since 1995 he has held oil and gas tax planning responsibilities for exploration and production activities in Dubai, Syria, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, United Kingdom, Brunei, Indonesia, Malaysia, New Zealand, Singapore, Vietnam, Azerbaijan, Kazakhstan, Russia, Turkmenistan, Barbados, Brazil, Columbia, Peru, Trinidad, Venezuela, Canada and the United States, including the Gulf of Mexico and Alaska.

ROPER, Brent Darson

Member, Industry

Preferred Name: Brent Roper

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**Brent Roper** has worked as a member of Rio Tinto's tax department for fourteen years and currently serves as the company's Vice President for U.S. tax matters. He began his career in the tax section of a national public accounting firm in 1983 and followed this in 1991 by taking a position with the tax department of a privately held chemical company. He worked there for eight years before joining Rio Tinto. Throughout his career, Mr. Roper has worked on a wide variety of tax, accounting, finance, and management issues. Mr. Roper earned a Bachelor of Science in accounting from the University of Utah and a Master of Accounting from Brigham Young University with an emphasis in taxation. He is licensed as a Certified Public Accountant in Utah.

## CHAMBERS, Christopher Matthew

Alternate, Industry



Preferred Name: Chris Chambers

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**Christopher Chambers** is Director of Sustainability Programs at Freeport-McMoRan Copper & Gold Inc. where he oversees implementation of a global sustainable development framework, including independent assurance, related external reporting and engagements with the socially responsible investment community. Prior to joining Freeport-McMoRan in 2008, he worked as Director of Investor Relations and Communications for a Fortune 500 engineering and construction firm. He has held positions of increasing responsibility in the environmental consulting field where he assisted the oil and gas and commercial real estate sectors with National Environmental Policy Act related studies and project permitting. Mr. Chambers also has experience managing multi-disciplined emergency response and recovery programs for federal, state and local clients. He is a two-time graduate of Louisiana State University with a B.S. in Wildlife Science and an MBA.

## HARRINGTON, John Day

Alternate, Industry



Preferred Name: John Harrington

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**John Harrington** is currently coordinates advocacy efforts on upstream oil and gas public policy issues that have large potential consequences for ExxonMobil, in the United States and worldwide. In 2009 he led public and government affairs support of ExxonMobil's African and Asian affiliated companies with oil and gas production operations. This portfolio included government relations, media relations, community relations, communications and issues management in both developed and developing countries. Before that, Mr. Harrington managed ExxonMobil's largest charitable contributions initiatives that improve math and science education on a national scale and attack global challenges of malaria infection and women's and girls' economic empowerment. In his 31 years with ExxonMobil, Mr. Harrington has held a wide variety of positions ranging from production engineering in Alaska, Texas and Oklahoma to public and government affairs covering global ExxonMobil activities in the chemical, production and exploration business lines and at the corporation's headquarters in Irving, Texas.

John graduated with a Bachelor of Science in chemical engineering from UCLA. He is a lifetime member of the Society of Petroleum Engineers, has been a licensed professional engineer in Texas since 1988 and is an active participant in a number of Houston civic organizations.

He is married to Linda and has two daughters currently in college.

LAWSON, Amanda

Alternate, Industry



Preferred Name: Amanda Lawson

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Amanda Lawson, an alternate member for the industry stakeholders, is currently the Director of State Government Affairs for Walter Energy. Amanda earned an undergraduate Bachelor's degree from Methodist University and a Master's in Business and Accounting from West Virginia University. She began her career in public accounting with Ernst & Young and worked for another mining company for three years before joining Walter Energy in 2005. Walter Energy, a leading publicly traded "pure play" metallurgical coal producer for the global steel industry that also produces thermal coal, anthracite, and coal bed methane gas, is headquartered in Birmingham, AL.

LEWIS, Scott Alan

Alternate, Industry

Preferred Name: Scott Lewis

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## RETZSCH, Walter Cinton

Alternate, Industry



Preferred Name: Walt Retzsch

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**Walter C. Retzsch** has served for the past 30 years in a broad range of capacities at the American Petroleum Institute (API) in Washington, DC. Currently, Mr. Retzsch is Senior Policy Advisor – International and Cybersecurity in the Tax and Accounting Policy Department where he works on U.S. and international environmental and corporate social responsibility, revenue transparency, and trade initiatives that may impact API members' ability to develop and sustain global oil and natural gas operations. In addition, Mr. Retzsch provides management and coordination of research and technical support for API committee activities that address US and international policies affecting API members' global operations. He conducts briefings for federal legislative and regulatory staff on API international policies and practices, and he maintains active liaison with industry associations and business groups to ensure that API policies are reflected in activities undertaken by these international groups. He also monitors and coordinates activities with API departments, committees, and industry coalitions on corporate sustainability reporting, and evolving environmental and social policies. Mr. Retzsch also manages API's cybersecurity committees' risk management, guidance development and information sharing responsibilities. He provides leadership and guidance to the Information Management and Technology Committee and the Information Technology Security Subcommittee to assist member companies in improving the efficiency and effectiveness of information management and cybersecurity functions within the petroleum industry. Mr. Retzsch received both a Master's Degree in Environmental Sciences and a Bachelor of Science Degree from the State University of New York at Stony Brook.

## SARDAR John Jahangir

Alternate, Industry



Preferred Name: John Sardar

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**John J. Sardar** is the Chief Compliance Officer for Noble Energy, Inc. ("Noble"). Noble is a publicly traded (NYSE: NBL), leading independent energy company engaged in worldwide oil and gas exploration and production. In his role, he oversees all aspects of Noble's ethics and compliance program globally, and is responsible for implementation and management of the company's ethics and compliance policies, procedures and guidelines. John earned a bachelor's degree in Economics from California State University at Long Beach, and a law degree from St. Louis University, and is member of the Missouri Bar. He is a frequent speaker at domestic and international conferences addressing legal and regulatory compliance and other international trade law issues.

SMITH, Marshall Dale

Alternate, Industry

Preferred Name: Mark Smith

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## WILKINSON, Robert Osborn

Alternate, Industry



Preferred Name: Robert O. Wilkinson

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**Bob Wilkinson** currently works as a Regulatory Compliance Senior Specialist with ConocoPhillips. Bob has 33 years of oil & gas experience, having worked for Standard Oil of Indiana, Amoco Corporation, BP, Price Waterhouse Coopers/IBM Business Consulting and ConocoPhillips. He worked overseas for several years for Amoco Production Company, and has been involved with state and federal tax and royalty reporting over the last 25 years. Bob has also been involved with COPAS for over 20 years and has held leadership positions with COPAS, LMOGA, MPA, and OKMOGA and on API's Royalty and Severance Tax Subcommittees. He has also worked closely with the MMS/ONRR and several states on their reporting changes and has received 2 Corporate Leadership awards from the MMS.

Bob has a BS in Business Administration from Purdue University, and a MBA in Finance from Tulsa University. Bob has been married for 30 years.

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