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The 21st Annual Washington Energy Policy Conference

Energy Reset? Conflicting Forces in the Energy Space

Keynote Speaker: Thad Hill, President and Chief Executive Officer, Calpine Corp

Moderator: Adam Sieminski, James R. Schlesinger Chair for Energy and Geopolitics, CSIS

Thursday, April 6, 2017

**George Mason University
Schar School of Policy and Government
Founders Hall - 3351 Fairfax Drive, Arlington, VA 22201**

8:30 – 9:00 am Coffee and Registration

9:00 – 9:10 am **Introduction and Welcome**
Jim McDonnell, President, NCAC-USAE
Mark Rozell, Dean of the Schar School, George Mason University

9:10 – 10:00 am **Keynote: Energy Reset? An Industry Perspective**
Speaker: **Thad Hill**, President and CEO, Calpine

10:00 – 11:15 am **PANEL 1: U.S. Petroleum and Natural Gas Markets: Globalization vs. Protectionism**
Moderator: **Adam Sieminski**, James R. Schlesinger Chair for Energy and Geopolitics, CSIS
Speakers: **Gary Hufbauer**, Reginald Jones Senior Fellow, Peterson Institute for International Economics
Erica Bowman, Chief Economist, American Petroleum Institute
Michael Cohen, Director and Head of Energy Commodities Research, Barclays

Topics: **The growth of U.S. production of oil and natural gas has been remarkable, giving the U.S. the potential for energy independence. So too has growth in U.S. exports of energy. Increased U.S. shale production led to a change in OPEC policy. What role will U.S. exports play in the global markets? How would policies such as a Border Tax Adjustment alter the landscape? Our panel will explore the possibility for U.S. production, exports and the impact of protectionist legislation.**

11:15 – 11:30 am Break

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- 11:30 – 12:30 pm
Moderator: **PANEL 2: Electricity Generation - Free Markets vs. Government Influence**
Melanie Kenderdine, Former Director of the Office of Energy Policy and Systems Analysis, U.S. Department of Energy.
- Speakers:** **Stephen Munro**, Editor, New Energy Finance, Bloomberg
Tom Matzzie, President and CEO, CleanChoice Energy
Ray Shepherd, Vice President and Senior Counsel, Federal Government Affairs, Peabody Energy
- Topics:** *Alternative sources of energy such as wind, solar and biomass have been growing, aided by federal policies. Would a change in administration matter? Have alternative technologies become price competitive even without tax credits? What sources of energy do end users want from their suppliers (and what are they willing to pay for)? Could a push from the new administration encourage a renaissance of more traditional sources of energy, namely, coal? The panel will discuss the future of power generation, from both the producer's and supplier's points of view.*
- 12:30 - 1:30 pm
Lunch
- 1:30 – 2:15 pm
Speaker: **Keynote Speaker: TBD**
- 2:15 – 3:15 pm
Moderator: **PANEL 3: Energy Infrastructure: Slow Fixes vs. Economic Drivers**
Adam Sieminski, James R. Schlesinger Chair for Energy and Geopolitics, CSIS
Speakers: **Bruce McKay**, Senior Energy Policy Director, Dominion Energy
Christi Tezak, Managing Director, ClearView Energy Partners
Terry Turpin, Director of the Office of Energy Projects, FERC
- Topics:** *There is no debate that the U.S. needs to address its existing energy infrastructure, including oil and gas pipelines and the electric transmission grid. The new administration has vowed to invest in infrastructure as a way to spur job growth. What projects will be priorities? How will the U.S. pay for them? Will state and local government support or delay implementation? What role will public-private partnerships play? Opposition from interest groups has blocked infrastructure across the country. How can companies work with the public to gain support for these projects? Our panel will explore what industry is doing now and what we can expect to achieve over the coming years.*
- 3:15 – 3:30 pm
 Break
- 3:30 – 4:30 pm
Moderator: **PANEL 4: Point/Counterpoint**
Michael Ratner, Specialist in Energy Policy, Congressional Research Service
Speakers: **Bob McNally**, President, The Rapidan Group
David Goldwyn, President, Goldwyn Global Strategies
- Topics:** *Building off the topics addressed earlier in the day, the discussants will debate these issues from the vantage point of what does the left and right agree on and what they do not. This session should illuminate the key issues confronting the U.S. Administration and Congress and where change is likely to occur.*
- 4:30 – 4:45 pm
Closing Remarks
Jim McDonnell, President, NCAC-USAAEE
- 4:45 – 6:00 pm
Cocktail Reception

Conference Fees:

NCAC-USAEAE Members: \$125

Non-Members: \$150

George Mason University Faculty: \$50

Student Members: \$20/\$10 no lunch

Student non-Members: \$30/\$20 no lunch

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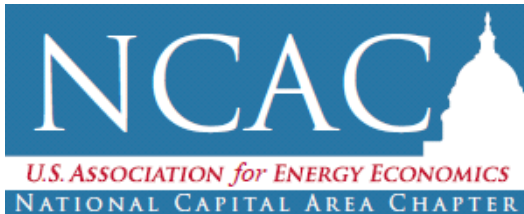
***** Registration closes April 5th at noon *****

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