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LNG Development in the Pacific Northwest

Featuring The Hon. Nora Mead Brownell, Commissioner, FERC

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8:00 Registration & Continental Breakfast

8:30 Introduction & Overview

Dianne R. Phillips, Esq., Program Co-Chair
Holland & Knight LLP ~ Boston, MA

Harvard P. Spigal, Esq., Program Co-Chair
Preston Gates & Ellis LLP ~ Portland, OR

8:45 The Evolution of LNG in the Energy Market Place

The global LNG trade: Traditional and emerging LNG suppliers and buyers; changing role of LNG vs. competing fuels; current U.S. LNG terminal facilities; advantages and disadvantages of LNG

David L. Huard, Esq.
Manatt, Phelps & Phillips, LLP ~ Los Angeles, CA

9:30 Predicting the Future of LNG in the U.S. Energy Mix

Future importance of LNG in the overall energy mix; necessary pieces and their lead times for increasing LNG supplies; a discussion of future projections including changes in estimates from 2005 to 2006

Guy F. Caruso, Administrator
Energy Information Administration ~ Washington, DC

10:15 Break

10:30 Perspectives on Issues Arising from the Current Nature of the LNG Supply Chain

The impact on U.S. terminal development projects of competing global demand for LNG market considerations, timing, and long-term contracts

Edward A. Finklea, Esq.
Cable Huston Benedict Haagensen & Lloyd, LLP
Portland, OR

Pacific Northwest perspective on the impact of potential LNG supplies on a LDC's planning & reliability obligations, including customer concerns (price, security, interchangeability)

Dave Weber, Managing Director of Information Systems and Chief Information Officer
NW Natural ~ Portland, OR

California perspective; terms and conditions of access to Southern California and competition for load supply between California and other markets

John W. Leslie, Esq.
Luce Forward Hamilton & Scripps LLP ~ San Diego, CA

12:15 Lunch (on your own)

1:30 Update on the Regulatory Environment for LNG Development

Federal regulatory structure following passage of the Energy Policy Act of 2005

Kenneth A. Ehrlich, Esq.
Jeffer Mangels Butler & Marmaro LLP ~ Los Angeles, CA

State regulatory issues including how a State approaches implementation of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 and FERC mandatory pre-filing rules

Michael W. Graine, Esq., Director
Oregon Department of Energy ~ Salem, OR

2:45 The Legal and Practical Aspects of LNG Deal Making Along the LNG Supply Chain

Contracting strategies that attorneys and industry representatives need to know to create the many legal relationships involved in LNG projects including construction of LNG facilities, supply contracts, shipping contracts and more

David A. Domansky, Esq.
Preston Gates & Ellis LLP ~ Seattle, WA

3:30 Break

3:45 Permitting Pragmatics under NEPA Pre-filing Procedures

Environmental permitting has taken on a whole new look with mandatory pre-filing: A lawyer and consultant discuss the best strategies for NEPA permitting

John A. McKinsey, Esq.
Stoel Rives LLP ~ Sacramento, CA

James M. Thornton, Environmental Specialist
Ecology and Environment, Inc. ~ Seattle, WA

5:00 Reception for Faculty and Attendees Sponsored by Holland & Knight LLP and Preston Gates & Ellis LLP



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Demand for natural gas continues to grow as a primary heat source, a replacement for other fuels and for generation of electricity. The Northwest is principally dependent on gas supplies from British Columbia and Alberta that are delivered by one of two interstate pipelines. The price for natural gas supplies has been volatile, and many gas distribution utilities and large wholesale gas purchasers are looking for more stable pricing, increased supply and reduced transportation costs. Import of liquefied natural gas from the Pacific Rim provides an alternative to diversify and increase the region's supply without adding significant new pipeline infrastructure from Canada or the Rocky Mountains. Energy companies see the need for LNG to serve the region, and are exploring construction of the Northwest's first LNG terminal, along with four potential terminal sites.

This seminar will provide critical information about the increasing demand for LNG, its role in meeting demand for natural gas in the Northwest, the LNG supply chain, FERC, Coast Guard and other government agency regulatory issues, safety and security for LNG facilities, and commercial transactions necessary to deliver LNG from its source to U.S. customers. Attorneys, managers and technical staff from the gas industry, and state and local government employees will want to attend and learn about the newest in natural gas sourcing.

~ Program Co-Chairs: **Dianne R. Phillips, Esq.** and **Harvard P. Spigal, Esq.**



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Dianne R. Phillips, Esq., *Program Co-Chair*
Harvard P. Spigal, Esq., *Program Co-Chair*

8:45 **Special Address: FERC's implementation of the Energy Policy Act of 2005**

Permitting LNG import terminals under Section 3 & 3A of the Natural Gas Act; how the implementation of the new FERC regulations concerning mandatory pre-filing under NEPA have proceeded; how coordination with state and local officials is being handled

The Hon. Nora Mead Brownell, *Commissioner*
 Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ~ Washington, DC

9:30 **The Regulatory Structure for Safety and Security**

Overview of legal and regulatory issues affecting safety and security

Dianne R. Phillips, Esq., *Program Co-Chair*

10:00 Break

10:15 **Practical Considerations Regarding Safety and Security**

Crossing the Bar: what's involved; how it's done; the safety record; and a pilot's perspective on the special challenges involved with LNG ships and the techniques for overcoming them

Robert W. Johnson, *Captain*
 Columbia River Bar Pilots ~ Astoria, OR

Implementation of the Maritime Transportation Security Act and rules for waterway suitability analysis on the Columbia River

Patrick G. Gerrity, *Captain*
 United States Coast Guard ~ Portland, OR

11:45 Lunch (on your own)

1:00 **Financing LNG Terminals**

The Wall Street perspective; understanding lender requirements in project financing

Swaminathan Venkataraman, CFA, *Director, Utilities, Energy & Project Finance Group*
 Standard & Poor's, Corporate and Government Ratings
 Washington, DC

The legal perspective on financing LNG projects; tips for contracting; possible financing options

Chad Mills, Esq.
 Locke Liddell & Sapp LLP ~ Houston, TX

2:15 Break

2:30 **LNG Case Studies**

Coos Bay: Update on the Port of Coos Bay's project to develop additional port capacity on the North Spit of Coos Bay, including additional LNG capacity, as it approaches the NEPA pre-filing stage

Robert L. Braddock, *Project Manager*
 Jordan Cove Energy Project L.P. ~ Coos Bay, OR

Columbia River: Examination of the Bradwood Landing LNG terminal & takeaway pipeline development and approval process, including the FERC pre-filing and application process, related state/federal oversight responsibilities; and lessons learned to date

John J. Buchovecky, Esq.
 Van Ness Feldman PC ~ Washington, DC

3:45 **A Pipeline's Perspective on Pacific Northwest LNG**

Jay White, Manager, *Market Analysis*
 TransCanada ~ Portland, OR

4:30 **Evaluations & Adjourn**



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Faculty: LNG Development Conference

Dianne R. Phillips, *Program Co-Chair*, is a partner with Holland & Knight LLP. She concentrates her practice in litigation, regulatory, energy, and environmental law. As former Assistant General Counsel for Tractebel LNG North America LLC, and its wholly-owned subsidiary, Distrigas of Massachusetts LLC, she was involved in all aspects of regulatory compliance for the nation's oldest, continuously operating LNG import terminal located in Everett, Massachusetts.

Harvard P. Spigal, *Program Co-Chair*, is a partner in the Energy and Utility Law Practice Group, Preston Gates & Ellis LLP, where his practice emphasizes power transactions. He joined the firm after serving as Senior Vice President and General Counsel at BPA, where he provided executive management and legal expertise to the CEO.

The Hon. Nora Mead Brownell, *Special Address*, was nominated by President George W. Bush to serve as a Commissioner of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC). Prior to joining FERC, Ms. Brownell served as a member of the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (PUC).

Robert L. Braddock, project manager, Jordan Cove Energy Project L.P., has many years experience in the development of energy based industrial projects for major U.S. and non-U.S. corporations. He has been involved in the development of systems for the production, processing, transport and conversion of natural gas; the licensing and transfer of technology and the development of markets, infrastructure and financing.

John J. Buchovecky is a member with Van Ness Feldman PC. He practices in the energy transactional and regulatory areas, focusing on electric and natural gas and project development, acquisition, and concessions for both domestic and international projects.

Guy F. Caruso, Administrator, Energy Information Administration, was nominated, in 2002, by President George W. Bush. Mr. Caruso has acquired over 30 years of energy experience, with particular emphasis on topics relating to energy markets, policy and security.

David A. Domansky, partner, Preston Gates & Ellis LLP, focuses his practice on the energy industry, where he represents independent power producers, industrial users and gov-

ernment entities in a wide variety of energy-related transactions.

Kenneth A. Ehrlich, partner, Jeffer Mangels Butler & Marmaro LLP, counsels clients on regulatory oversight, enforcement, and compliance matters. He is local counsel and team coordinator for the proposed LNG receiving and truck loading terminal in Long Beach, CA.

Edward A. Finklea is a partner at Cable Huston Benedict Haagensen & Lloyd, LLP, specializing in natural gas and electricity regulation and litigation. He has been counsel to the NW Industrial Gas Users since 1986 and was a trial attorney for BPA.

Capt. Patrick G. Gerrity is Commander of USCG Sector Portland which is engaged as a cooperating agency with FERC for any LNG proposals in the Columbia River system and coastal Oregon and southern Washington. Previously he was the Chief of Marine Safety and Compliance of the Fourteenth District staff in Honolulu.

Michael W. Graine is Director of the Oregon Department of Energy. The Department is responsible for reviewing proposed power plants and other energy facilities, for developing renewable energy, and for implementing other state energy policies.

David L. Huard is Chair of the Energy, Environment and Natural Resources practice group at Manatt, Phelps & Phillips, LLP. His clients include electric and natural gas distributors, gas and power marketers, municipalities, counties, special districts, large consumers, and co-generators.

Capt. Robert W. Johnson heads the Columbia River Bar Pilots LNG committee. A Bar Pilot since 1987, he previously spent 15 years at sea and a two year stint as the Time Charter Operations Manager for one of the major grain houses at their New York Headquarters.

John W. Leslie, partner, Luce Forward Hamilton & Scripps LLP, specializes in the areas of natural gas and electricity regulation and represents producers, consumers and marketers of energy, including cogeneration interests.

John A. McKinsey is senior counsel at Stoen Rives LLP and represents clients in energy and industrial industries. He serves as lead counsel for the siting of major industrial development projects in California and has represented clients before numerous regulato-

ry agencies. In addition, Mr. McKinsey provides extensive leadership and guidance in the areas of compliance and regulatory matters involving products, facilities and operations.

Chad Mills, partner, Locke Liddell & Sapp LLP, focuses his practice in the area of energy transactions, with a particular focus on energy project development and finance, mergers and acquisitions involving energy companies and assets, including liquefied natural gas (LNG) transactions.

Peter N. Rigby is a Director of Utilities, Energy, and Project Finance at Standard & Poor's. With more than 25 years of experience in energy he is one of the firm's principal contacts for ratings in the power, energy, and project finance sectors.

James M. Thornton is an Environmental Specialist at Ecology and Environment, Inc. His focus is on local, state, and federal permitting and regulatory compliance for power plants, transmission lines, LNG facilities and pipelines.

Swami Venkataraman is a Director of the Utilities, Energy and Project Finance Group at Standard & Poor's. His analytical expertise includes investor-owned utilities, public power, cooperatives, project finance transactions and energy marketers. Swami is S&P's analyst for both Semptra Energy and Cheniere Energy.

Dave Weber is the Managing Director of Information Systems and Chief Information Officer for NW Natural, the 146 year old natural gas distribution company serving Southwest Washington and Northwest Oregon where he is responsible for all information and communications systems as well as analysis of LNG terminal and supply development in the Northwest U.S.

Jay White is Manager, Market Analysis for TransCanada's Gas Transmission Northwest System. He is responsible for the analysis and forecasting of natural gas markets, identification of the major drivers of pipeline value and throughput, and developing forward price curves through GPCM modeling. Previously, Mr. White held various positions with Williams Energy Marketing and Trading where he performed market analysis and assessed risk for energy trading strategies.

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- *Important Regulatory Issues*
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