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The Anchorage Chapter of the International Association for Energy Economics (IAEE) was founded in 1980 to provide a forum for the exchange of ideas, experience and issues among professionals interested in energy economics. We are affiliated with the International Association for Energy Economics and United States Association for Energy Economics.

The IAEE is a non-profit organization of business, government, academic, scientific, and other professionals that advances the understanding and application of economics across all facets of energy development and use, including theory, business, public policy and environmental considerations. The Chapter frequently sponsors talks and sometimes conferences on energy issues of relevance to their local members. The sole purpose of the organization is to educate the public on energy economic issues.

You are invited to become a member. Annual dues are \$25. The Chapter sponsors an annual \$1,000 scholarship for the best original research in energy economics by any college student in Alaska. The results of the research are presented in a special program each spring. All membership dues go toward the scholarship. Past scholarships have been partially sponsored with generous donations from ConocoPhillips.

There are many benefits from membership. Members will gain a broader understanding of energy economics, policy making and theory. Members are kept well informed by our publications and conferences on events within the energy industry and the challenges that lie ahead. Furthermore, membership provides you with the opportunity to network with energy professionals.

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University of Alaska- Anchorage &
Anchorage Chapter of the International Association for Energy Economics

The Future of Offshore Drilling in Alaska: The Risk / Reward Balance

September 22, 2010

Wendy Williams Auditorium
University of Alaska - Anchorage

PROGRAM

7:00 p.m. – 7:15 p.m. Introduction (Roger Marks, President Anchorage IAEE)

IAEE-UAA introductory comments
Overview of history and context of OCS program in Alaska
Introduction of moderator

7:15 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. Panel Discussion

Moderator introductory comments and introduction of panelists
(Michael Carey)

Panelists:

Pete Slaiby, Vice President, Shell Alaska
John Schoen, Senior Science Advisor, Audubon Alaska
Edward Itta, Mayor, North Slope Borough
David Ramseur, Chief of Staff, Office of Senator Mark Begich

Themes:

The resources at risk
Benefits of Alaska OCS development
Dealing with oil spills in an ice environment
Mitigating risk: prevention of spills / paying for spill damages

8:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Audience Q&A to Panelists (30 minutes)

Microphones will be **placed on both sides of the auditorium near the front row.**

BIOS

Michael Carey is a columnist for the Anchorage Daily News and the host of "Anchorage Edition," a weekly review of the news produced by KAKM. He was born and raised in Fairbanks and has spent most of the last 30 years playing various roles in Alaska journalism, especially at the Daily News.

Edward Itta is an Inupiat whaler and hunter. He is committed to protecting the Inupiat subsistence heritage and ensuring the long-term social and economic viability of all the communities of Alaska's North Slope. Edward was elected Mayor of the North Slope Borough in 2005 and re-elected in 2008. He is a member of the federal Outer Continental Shelf Policy Committee, a member of the Barrow Whaling Captains Association, and a past commissioner of the Alaska Eskimo Whaling Commission. Edward also served as president of the North Slope Borough School Board and was vice-chairman of the federal subsistence advisory council for northern Alaska.

Roger Marks is currently president of the Anchorage IAEE. He is a consulting economist in private practice in Anchorage. From 1983-2008 Marks was a petroleum economist with the Alaska Department of Revenue Tax Division. Prior he was a petroleum economist with the Minerals Management Service.

David Ramseur has served as chief of staff to Alaska U.S. Senator Mark Begich since January 2009, where he is the senator's principal advisor and manager of the Senate office. For six years beginning in 2003, Ramseur was chief of staff to then Anchorage Mayor Mark Begich. A 31-year Alaskan, Ramseur served as chief of staff to former Alaska Gov. Tony Knowles (1994-2002) and as press secretary to former Alaska Gov. Steve Cowper (1986-90).

John Schoen is Audubon Alaska's Senior Science Advisor. Prior to joining Audubon in 1997, John worked for the Alaska Department of Fish and Game for 20 years as a research wildlife biologist. He received his Ph.D. in Wildlife Ecology from the University of Washington. John has also served as an Affiliate Professor of Wildlife Biology at the University of Alaska Fairbanks and has published more than 60 scientific and popular articles on Alaska wildlife. He has worked and travelled widely across Alaska including the Arctic.

Pete Slaiby has been Vice President of Shell's Alaska Venture since 2008, managing Shell's exploration and production activities in Alaska, including Shell's continued efforts to develop relationships with a wide variety of stakeholders. Pete started his career with Shell in 1980, working in the Gulf of Mexico as a Petrophysical Field and Surveillance Engineer working on frontier development concepts. In 1984, Pete moved to the Shell subsidiary, Pecten International, where his assignments in various development and production operation roles took him to Houston, Syria, Brazil and Cameroon. In 1999, he was assigned the role of Asset Manager for the Southern North Sea gas business in Lowestoft, Suffolk (UK), and in 2004, Pete assumed responsibility for one of Shell's oldest business relationships as Brunei Asset Manager.