

# SGA FALL LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE 2007

Hyatt Regency Riverfront  
Jacksonville, Florida

October 15-17, 2007

## TAX ROUNDTABLE

### PRELIMINARY AGENDA

#### Monday, October 15

12:30 p.m.      **Conference Golf Scramble** - The Golf Club at North Hampton (transportation and box lunch provided)

6:30-7:30      **Welcome to Jacksonville Reception**

Dinner on your own

#### Tuesday, October 16

7:00 – 8:30      Continental Breakfast

8:30 - Noon      **CONFERENCE GENERAL SESSION**

#### **Welcome and Introductions**

8:30 – 9:30      **FERC Hot Button Issues and Priorities**

Guest Speaker: *John Moot*, FERC General Counsel

Mr. Moot will provide an overview of issues FERC will be focusing on, including topics such as:

- Infrastructure provisions of the Energy Policy Act
- Development of new natural gas storage capacity
- Maintaining an environmentally safe infrastructure
- Pre-filing processes for LNG terminals and gas pipelines
- Alaska natural gas transportation projects
- Competitive markets and market manipulation
- Comprehensive energy market oversight program

9:30              Refreshment Break

9:45 – 10::45      **National Energy Legislation Update – Where Do We Go From Here?**

Guest Speaker: *Tom Moskitis*, Managing Director – External Affairs, AGA (invited)

10:45              Break

Tuesday, October 16 (continued)

11:00           **“They Aren’t Making Any More Boomers: Managing the Workforce Crisis”**  
Guest Speaker: *Tom Trively*, South Carolina Electric & Gas  
  
Mr. Trively’s insightful, entertaining presentation is guaranteed to provide useful tools that will help you and your company deal with the changes occurring in the workplace.

12:00 -1:00       **Conference Luncheon**

1:00 – 4:30       **Tax Roundtable Session**

Discussion Topics:

- 1) Proposed Tangible Property Regulations - Likely Treasury will repropose in whole or in part ?
- 2) New IRS Industry Issue Focus Program
- 3) Renewed IRS focus on Section 118 - Contributions in Aid of Construction: IRS is interpreting narrowly
- 4) Simplified Service Cost Method (Sec. 263A) - Continued Uncertainty
- 5) Casualty Loss Deduction and the Repair Deduction
- 6) Abandonment Losses - May not be able to deduct if there is a specific rate recovery mechanism?

2:30           Refreshment Break

2:45           **Roundtable Discussion** (continued)

- 7) Implementation of Section 263A re “soft costs” on self-constructed assets
- 8) Form 1099 Filings - based upon the fair market value of free gas (or reduced cost gas versus the amount paid) in connection with farm taps or similar type taps.
- 9) Enhanced preparer penalties imposed at the taxpayer level by the Small Business and Work Opportunity Tax Act of 2007 For instance, as penalties may be imposed at the taxpayer level, would staff or management be at risk? If so, would the company or the management and staff be responsible should penalties be imposed?  
Do we have insurance which would cover such instances?
- 10) FIN 48: Post implementation issues
- 11) FAS 158: Income Tax Effects
- 11) Tax implications related to Stock Compensation – FAS123(R)
- 12) Tax department process simplification
- 13) Best practices roundtable – share your success stories
- 14) Environmental cost policy and environmental remediation rules

4:30           Adjourn

6:00 - 7:00       **Conference Reception**

Dinner on your own

**Wednesday, October 17**

7:30 – 8:30 Continental Breakfast

8:30 - 9:30 **JOINT SESSION:**  
Tax; Rates and Regulatory Affairs, Gas Transportation, Gas Forecasters

**Energy Outlook: Gas Supply and Pricing; LNG and Alternative Fuels**  
*Robert Linden, Pace Global Energy Services*

9:30 Refreshment Break

9:45 – 10:45 **Tax Roundtable**  
**OR**  
**JOINT SESSION with Rates & Regulatory Affairs Roundtable**

**Going Green - What Will Environmental Legislation Mean for Our Industry?" –**  
Speaker TBA

Whether you believe in climate change or not, the world around us is rushing to jump on the green bandwagon. Where is the gas industry today? Who's out there blazing the trail? What steps should your company be taking now?

10:45 Review/Wrap-up

11:00 Adjourn

**REGISTRATION FORM**  
**SGA Fall Leadership Conference**  
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Please indicate the primary roundtable you plan to attend. You may attend multiple sessions but select only one to assist in proper planning.

**Tax Roundtable**     **Gas Forecasters Forum**     **Communications/Public Affairs**  
 **Gas Transportation**     **Rates/Regulatory Affairs**

**Registration Fee:** \$545 (SGA member company employee)    \$745 (non-member)

**Golf Fee:** \$150     Handicap     Average Score

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List questions/topics you want to discuss:

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**RETURN REGISTRATION TO:**

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**REMINDER:**

**Hotel Deadline:** Sept 24, 2007  
For hotel reservations call the Hyatt Riverfront  
at (904) 588-1234 or 800-233-1234

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