

**Press Teleconference on New Report: *Efficiency and Renewables
can Shield Idaho from Energy Volatility***

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P.S. Reilly is a noted expert, author, advisor and public speaker on commercial success in clean tech, energy technology, sustainability and related fields.

Reilly has transformed utilities to leverage innovation and meet demands of restructuring environments, and has positioned regions for success in the new energy economy. She has developed market opportunities for solution vendors, service providers and their investors through connections to customers and key market partners. She has led national research projects in advanced building design, utility innovations and workforce issues, among others. She is a world-class strategist, and is called on by Fortune 500 companies, governments and others to aid with strategy, positioning and execution to leverage the emerging trends around technology and sustainability. She has been a strategic advisor to the California Energy Commission, the Premier of British Columbia, the Vancouver 2010 Olympics Committee and many others. She currently serves as the Chief Innovator/Technologist for one of the largest public power utilities in the nation.

During the past two decades, Reilly has found success in various senior executive and advisory positions in the telecommunications, enterprise software, venture capital, and media industries. She served as Vice President of a Hewlett Packard subsidiary; Entrepreneur in Residence and Investing Manager at a Northwest venture firm, and most recently she was Vice President of Emerging Markets for Ziff Davis Media, where she provided strategic advice to leading technology companies, including IBM, Microsoft and many others.

Senator Curt McKenzie, Idaho State Senator 12th legislative district.

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Serving his third term, Senator Curt McKenzie is the chairman of the Idaho Senate State Affairs Committee and serves on the Local Government and Taxation Committee. He is also the Co-Chair of the Legislative Interim Committee for Energy, Environment and Technology.

Sen. Curt McKenzie recently joined forces with Paul J. Augustine, an experienced well-known litigator to form a new law firm serving clients throughout the State of Idaho,

Augustine & McKenzie, PLLC. Their firm focuses its practice on litigation, business practice, criminal law and estate planning.

Other notable achievements include:

- Admitted: 1995, Maryland; 1996, District of Columbia; 1997, Idaho and U.S. District Court, District of Maryland, U.S. Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit
- Law School: Georgetown University Law Center, J.D., magna cum laude, 1995
- College: Northwest Nazarene College, B.S., magna cum laude, 1992
- Member: Idaho State Bar (Senator, 2002—; Joint Finance and Appropriations Committee, Local Government and Taxation Committee).

Awards include:

- Canyon County Republican Central Committee, Republican of the Year, 2001
- Idaho Young Republican of the Year, 2003
- Great American, 2005 (1 star) (Sponsored by Mark Dunn (Simplot); Ed Lodge (Qwest); Mike Reynoldson (Micron Technology); Rich Hahn (Idaho Power); Mike Huntington (Intermountain Gas); Mark Benson (Potlatch Corp.); Neil Colwell (Avista); Charlie Clark (Union Pacific); Alex LeBeau (Idaho Assoc. of Realtors))
- Recipient, Idaho Business Review Accomplished Under 40 Award, 2004

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Mr. Rayhill, of Boise is the Vice President of Ridgeline Energy. He is responsible for permitting, environmental studies, site acquisition, and policy for Ridgeline Energy, a company that focuses on developing utility-scale wind energy in the Pacific Northwest and western U.S. In 2007, he was awarded the Idaho Renewable Energy Award by Governor Otter and was selected by Interior Secretary Kempthorne to serve on a federal advisory committee to address wind siting issues at the national level. Mr. Rayhill also serves on the wildlife and habitat subcommittees of the National Wind Coordinating Collaborative and is a member of the Advisory Council for ESTEC, the Energy Systems Technology and Education Center at Idaho State University. Mr. Rayhill has been a member of the Idaho Bar for 23 years, including 7 years as staff attorney for two Idaho federal judges. He has a BA from Middlebury College and JD from University of Idaho.

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Darwin Olberding has been with the Idaho Grain Producers for twenty years and currently serves as their Legislative Advisor. He has farmed in Emmett, Idaho since 1974. Prior to this, he served in the US Army. In 1988/89 Darwin Olberding served in

the House of Representatives of the Idaho State Legislature. Mr. Olberding currently serves on the Governor's Idaho 25 x 25 Renewable Energy Council and is a board member of the Emmett Irrigation District.

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Rhys Roth co-founded Climate Solutions in 1998 and has pioneered its clean energy programs and partnerships. He has led the Harvesting Clean Energy program for 9 years and has helped replicate this groundbreaking model in other regions of the country. Rhys has also led Climate Solutions' program to engage the Northwest high-tech community in building a world-class clean energy industry. He built the "Poised for Profit" partnership of top economic development, technology and energy organizations to find the best opportunities to create thousands of clean energy jobs. He received his Master's in Environmental Studies in 1990 from The Evergreen State College.