

INTERNATIONAL **TRADE** Administration

Industry Briefing on the 37<sup>th</sup> Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation Energy Working Group (APEC-EWG) June 2, 2009 10:00 a.m. – 12 noon U.S. Department of Commerce 1401 Constitution Ave, NW, Room 4850 Washington, DC

# 10:00-10:10 Welcome and Opening Remarks: Role of Public-Private Partnerships in Enhancing U.S. Global Competitiveness

Mary Saunders, Assistant Secretary for Manufacturing and Services, Acting U.S. Department of Commerce, International Trade Administration or designee

Acting A/S Saunders or designee will highlight the effectiveness of public-private partnerships in promoting U.S. industry interests, citing Oil and Gas Industry Forum, Civil Nuclear Trade Initiative and other partnerships as examples. Acting A/S Saunders then will note Commerce determination to extend the public-private partnership model to APEC auspices as the United States prepares to host APEC in 2011. Reflecting importance of subject and untapped opportunity, energy will be the focus of this first briefing.

# 10:10-10:30 U.S. Objectives for APEC in 2009

- Ambassador Patricia M. Haslach, U.S. Senior Official for APEC and East Asian Economic Affairs or Katherine Hadda, Director, Office of Economic Policy, U.S. Department of State
- Arrow Augerot, Deputy Assistant U.S. Trade Representative for APEC Affairs, Office of the U.S. Trade Representative
- Julia Doherty, Senior Director of Non-Tariff Measures, Office of the U.S. Trade Representative

Ambassador Haslach or Ms. Hadda to provide an overview of APEC and U.S. objectives for the APEC 2009 year. Ms. Augurot to discuss U.S. trade priorities, and Ms. Doherty to discuss overarching goals concerning standards in APEC.

# 10:30-10:40 Introduction to APEC-EWG

Dr. Phyllis Yoshida, Lead Shepherd APEC-EWG Deputy Assistant Secretary for International Energy Cooperation U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Policy and International Affairs

Dr. Yoshida to provide a brief overview of APEC-EWG, including its structure (i.e., U.S. chairmanship, and various task forces and expert groups reporting to the EWG), ongoing projects in support of APEC Energy Ministers' policy instructions, and new activities. Dr. Yoshida also to highlight upcoming meetings including 38<sup>th</sup> APEC EWG in November 2009, in Bali, Indonesia, and the APEC Energy Ministerial Meeting in June 2010 in Japan.



# **10:40-11:00** Key Outcomes from 37<sup>th</sup> APEC-EWG Meeting in Santiago, Chile Jeff Skeer, Head of U.S. Delegation U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Policy and International Affairs

Mr. Skeer to highlight key outcomes from the recent APEC-EWG meeting held April 20-24, 2009, in Santiago, Chile.

### 11:00-11:10 USTDA Programs and Intersections with APEC Geoff Jackson Director, Policy and Program U.S. Trade and Development Agency

Mr. Jackson to highlight TDA's energy-related programs in the Asia Pacific region, which complement APEC energy initiatives.

#### 11:10-11:30 Strategic Framework for Energy Security in APEC and Industry Engagement Monica Hardy Whaley President National Center for APEC

Ms. Whaley to discuss the Energy Strategy for APEC – tabled at the 37<sup>th</sup> APEC EWG - highlighting key aspects of the strategies recommended in the document and next steps.

She will also focus on enhancing communication between the private sector and USG, revitalizing the Energy Business Network (EBN), and engaging a broader cross section of private sector stakeholders for APEC EWG meetings.

# 11:30-12:00 Question and Answer and Next Steps