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Please accept this email for Robert S. Bassman, General Counsel for the Petroleum Marketers Association of America, to participate as a panelist in the workshop. Attached are: (i) Comments in response to FTC's NPRM and (ii) Robert Bassman's Curriculum Vitae. If additional information is required, please feel free to contact me.

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1979 – Present: Managing Principal
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1975 – 79: Counsel
NATIONAL OIL JOBBERS COUNCIL
Washington, D.C.

1972 – 75: Environmental Counsel
NATIONAL FOREST PRODUCTS ASSOCIATION

EDUCATION:

Juris Doctor, 1972
George Washington University
Washington, D.C.

B.A., 1969
University of Pittsburgh
Pittsburgh, PA

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS:

Author of quarterly “Legal Briefs” column in PMAA magazine.
JPM, *PMAA Journal* (1988-present).

“Gasoline. Why Does it Cost so Much?” *transAtlantic*
magazine, July/August 2004.

“In Search of European Oil”. *Europe Magazine*, February 2002.

“Central Asian Oil and the Great Game Redux”. *Europe*
Magazine, February 2002.

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS:

“Oil: Powering Europe into the Twenty-First Century” *Europe Magazine*, July-August 1999.

“Putting Lawyers in Their Place”. *Petroleum Marketing Management*, May 1981.

“The 1897 Organic Act: An Historical Perspective,” VII *Natural Resources Lawyer* 503. (Summer, 1974). Reprinted in *The “Purposes” of the National Forests*, United States Forest Service, 1979. (Library of Congress Cat. No. 79 600 049).

GENERAL DESCRIPTION:

Practice emphasizes legal and political ramifications of energy, environment, antitrust, international trade and administrative law matters. Has participated in seminars sponsored by *U.S. Oil Week*, *Oil Express*, *Oil Price Information Service*, Executive Enterprises Institute, the American Bar Association (Antitrust Committee-Fuel and Energy Subcommittee), the Federal Trade Commission (Presenter: FTC conference on factors that effect prices of refined petroleum products, August 2, 2001), Presenter: Petroleum Marketing Attorneys Meeting, April 23, 2002 (sponsored by ExxonMobil), and various national and regional trade associations.

ADMITTED TO PRACTICE BEFORE:

United States Supreme Court

District of Columbia Court of Appeals

Maryland Court of Appeals

Various Federal District and Circuit Courts

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP:

American Bar Association – Antitrust, Franchise and National Resources (Petroleum Refining and Marketing Sub.) Committees

District of Columbia Bar Association

REPRESENTATIVE CLIENTS:

BP Amoco Marketers Association

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