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OKOGA HOLDS 2016 ANNUAL MEETING, ELECTS NEW CHAIRMAN AND BOARD FOR 2017

Keynote executive panel discussed future of SCOOP and STACK, streamed on Facebook live

OKLAHOMA CITY – The Oklahoma Oil & Gas Association (OKOGA) held its 2016 Annual Meeting today at the Embassy Suites Downtown Medical Center in Oklahoma City where roughly 160 professionals from OKOGA’s member companies gathered to discuss the South Central Oklahoma Oil Province (SCOOP) and the Sooner Trend Anadarko Basin Canadian and Kingfisher counties (STACK).

“Our members view the SCOOP and the STACK as the hottest plays in the nation, and this is good news for Oklahoma’s economy and job creation as well as the state’s revenue,” **said Chad Warmington, president of OKOGA.** “In the SCOOP and the STACK, our members are producing oil and natural gas at a cost that is market competitive and with less produced water than what industry has seen to date in the rest of the state. Our meeting focused on ways the industry can continue to proactively and responsibly develop oil and gas in this region as well as ways to work with our state leaders to keep Oklahoma a competitively attractive state for future investments.”

The one-day meeting placed a special emphasis on Oklahoma’s regulatory environment and legislative outlook as well as the infrastructure needs and produced water challenges in Oklahoma. The meeting included a keynote lunch panel titled “An Executive Conversation About Oklahoma’s Record Play” that featured:

- > **Lee Boothby**, chief executive officer of Newfield Exploration;
- > **Kevin Lafferty**, senior vice president of Devon Energy;
- > **John Lambuth**, senior vice president of exploration for Cimarex;
- > **Mitch Little**, executive vice president – operations for Marathon Oil Corporation; and
- > *Moderator:* **Lt. Governor Todd Lamb**

OKOGA streamed the panel live on Facebook, which can be replayed by visiting www.facebook.com/OKOGA1919/.

At the meeting, association members elected Wade Hutchings, regional vice president of Mid-Continent Assets at Marathon Oil, to be the new chairman of OKOGA and ratified the board of directors for 2017. Hutchings succeeds Rand Phipps, senior vice president, secretary, general counsel and COO of Mustang Fuel, who served as OKOGA chairman since 2007.

“Rand Phipps has been a strong leader for OKOGA, seeing the association and its members through a difficult season for the industry that took place nationwide and now into a new and promising era of competitive oil and natural gas development in Oklahoma. We look forward to the ongoing role he will play on our board of directors,” **said Warmington**. “I am excited for what’s in store for OKOGA and its members with Wade as chairman and with our new board of directors for 2017. With Wade at the helm, OKOGA is well positioned to be the dominant Oklahoma oil and gas association for our state’s active drillers, developing policies that will help to maximize responsible development.”

The 2017 OKOGA board of directors are as follows:

- > **Wade Hutchings**, Marathon Oil Corporation, *Chair*
- > **Brian Pugh**, BP Lower 48 Onshore, *Vice Chair*
- > **Rand Phipps**, Mustang Fuel Corporation, *Immediate Past Chair*
- > **Brook Simmons**, Newfield Exploration Company, *Treasurer*
- > **Brian Alford**, Enable Midstream Partners
- > **Nathan Andrews**, EOG Resources
- > **Scott Clark**, Enbridge Energy, Inc.
- > **John Dill**, Chesapeake Energy
- > **Krista Johnson**, Cimarex
- > **Todd Moehlenbrock**, Devon Energy Corporation
- > **Samantha A. Omey**, Exxon Mobil Corporation
- > **Steve Perry**, Chevron U.S.A. Inc.
- > **Mark E. Schell**, Unit Corporation
- > **Tim Seidel**, Phillips 66
- > **Alex Zazzi**, EnerVest Operating Company

Background

The Oklahoma Oil & Gas Association, founded in 1919, is the oldest energy trade association in the United States. Nearly a century later, the association remains dedicated to the advancement and improvement of the oil and natural gas industry within the state of Oklahoma and throughout the nation. It is a non-profit association composed of oil and gas producers, operators, purchasers, pipelines, transporters, processors, refiners, marketers and service companies which represent a substantial sector of the oil and natural gas industry within Oklahoma. The activities of OKOGA include support for legislative and regulatory measures designed to promote both the well-being and best interests of the citizens of this state and a strong and vital petroleum industry within the State of Oklahoma and throughout the United States.

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