



Attendees at the inaugural Rally for the Rigs enjoy coffee and fellowship before the day's events.

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Rally for the Rigs brings hundreds of people to state Capitol

OKLAHOMA CITY (March 27, 2018) – Hundreds of people braved cold and wet conditions to support the oil and natural gas industry at the inaugural Rally for the Rigs at the Capitol Tuesday morning.

Attendees from multiple companies with a stake in the industry came to engage with their legislators. Following a slate of speakers that included Devon Energy Corp. Senior Vice President of Exploration and Production Wade Hutchings and Armor Energy Vice President of Land and Legal Darrell Noblitt, energy employees took to the halls of the Capitol to give a voice to those affected by increased taxes on the oil and gas industry.

“This event just shows the breadth of people impacted by higher taxes on the oil and gas industry,” Oklahoma Oil and Gas Association (OKOGA) President Chad Warmington said. “Hopefully the Legislature saw the faces of all those engaged in the industry, and will take their concerns to heart when voting on issues that impact oil and gas.”

Warmington said it was inspiring to see so many working together to protect the industry.

“The rally just further shows we have an incredible group of people working in Oklahoma oil and gas,” he said. “They’re resilient, and committed to improving their communities, which have been vital to the success of the state for generations.”

Select Energy Services Director of Corporate Business Development

Tommie Herell said it was wonderful to see so many people at the Capitol from different aspects of oil and natural gas.

“Today, people from all sides of the business came together with one voice to aid our industry, and I certainly hope that voice was heard,” he said.

Rally for the Rigs was a joint event hosted by OKOGA and the Oklahoma Independent Petroleum Association.

About the Oklahoma Oil and Gas Association

The Oklahoma Oil & Gas Association (OKOGA), 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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