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President's MESSAGE

from the desk of Kristen Maines

Happy New Year and welcome to 2002! I hope everyone's holidays were safe and happy. First, I want to express my gratitude to the membership for their confidence in me and for electing me president of the IAEE Anchorage chapter. I am looking forward to a year filled with exciting speakers and interesting dialogue on the many important issues involving energy economics. I like attending IAEE meetings because I always learn something, so I am looking forward to leading the chapter into 2002. Second, I welcome your comments and suggestions on ways to improve our meetings and our chapter; everyone benefits when people get involved!

About this time last year, IAEE co-sponsored a speaking engagement featuring Michael Economides from the University of Houston (co-author of *The Color of Oil*). This year we have the opportunity to engage Michael's colleague from the University of Houston, Ronald Oligney. Oligney and James Longbottom recently co-authored a report entitled "The Imperatives of Arctic Natural Gas Development" (University of Houston, November 2001). Professor Ronald Oligney will be in Anchorage on **Tuesday, January 15** and has agreed to discuss his report in a joint meeting of the IAEE and the Society of Petroleum Engineers. Ronald Oligney is an adjunct professor and the director of engineering research development at the University of Houston. He has written for many newspapers and specialized publications and was previously the principal and founding director of the Global Petroleum Research Institute at Texas A&M University. The meeting will be held in Room 240 of the Atwood Building on January 15 and will certainly be an interesting one. Please mark your calendars, spread the word, and plan to attend!

Another important announcement is that starting in January 2002, **the IAEE Anchorage Chapter will continue with a Tuesday schedule.** The January meeting is scheduled for Tuesday January 15. Subsequently, we will hold meetings on the third Tuesday of each month for the remainder of the year (February-November). Please mark the following dates on your calendar:

- Tuesday, Jan 15, Atwood Building, Room 240
- Tuesday, Feb 19, BP, Rooms A&B
- Tuesday, Mar 19, BP, Rooms A&B
- Tuesday, Apr 16, BP, Rooms A&B
- Tuesday, May 14, BP, Rooms A&B

Again, Happy New Year and I look forward to seeing you on January 15!

2002 OFFICERS

Kristen Maines, an economic planner at HDR Alaska, Inc. was elected President. Kristen has been a member of IAEE for more than two years and served as Vice President in 2001. Before joining HDR Alaska in April of this year, Kristen worked at Northern Economics as an economist. She holds a Masters of Economics from North Carolina State University and a B.S. in Natural Resource Economics and Political Science from the University of Massachusetts at Amherst.

Gregory McDuffie was elected Vice President; Greg has served as IAEE's Secretary/Treasurer for the last three years. Greg currently is working as a commercial consultant in the Exploration and Land group at Phillips Alaska, Inc. Previously he worked as an engineer with ARCO since 1984, with the last 12 years in Alaska. He earned B.S. and M.E. degrees in Engineering at Harvey Mudd College. Greg has been active with IAEE for six years.

Brigitta Windisch-Cole was elected Secretary-Treasurer. She works for the Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development's Research and Analysis Section as a labor economist. She joined the Department in 1994. She holds a MBA from the University of Alaska Anchorage and a B.S. in Economics from Portland State University, Portland Oregon. She has been a member of IAEE for seven years.

January NOTES

Upcoming meeting is TUESDAY, January 15, at the ROBERT ATWOOD BUILDING. In February, we will resume our meetings at the BP Exploration-Alaska conference room, A& B in midtown.

Keep Current. Your 2002 IAEE Dues are DUE. If Brigetta doesn't catch you at the January meeting, please feel free to drop your application and membership fee in a mailbox near you.

If there is any interest in a 2002 price challenge, I will be more than happy to collect your average, low and high price solicitations. Please submit your 2002 price estimates to denise_hawes@revenue.state.ak.us by March 19, 2002. IAEE Officers will award the winner with a bottle of champagne at the January 2003 meeting!



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Send your \$25 check (with the application below) to:

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International Association of Energy Economics

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Society of Petroleum Engineers

Tuesday, January 15 12 noon

Robert Atwood Building
550 West 7th Avenue
Room 240

The Public is Welcome to Attend.

Professor Ronald Oligney

Adjunct Professor and Director of Engineering Research Development
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**“The Imperatives of
Arctic Natural Gas Development”**

Oligney's paper can be found on the web at: <http://www.arcticgaspipeline.com/Reference/Documents&Presentations/Misc.Conferences/1101ArcticGasSymposium/Imperatives.pdf>