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Independent Energy Producers Launch New "Gulf Energy Alliance"

Washington, D.C. - A group of independent energy producers throughout the Gulf of Mexico today announced the formation of the Gulf Energy Alliance (GEA). The new coalition, made up of a growing number of operators and business and community partners, will educate top policymakers and energy influencers on how recent innovations made by these operators in the Gulf are transforming America's energy landscape and contributing significantly to the U.S. economy.

"There is a very positive story to be told about how independent energy producers are changing the face of the Gulf," said Matt McCarroll, CEO of Fieldwood Energy, a founding member of GEA. "The Gulf Energy Alliance will deliver our story and our concerns with a clear and coordinated voice in Washington and throughout the rest of the country."

GEA will actively support policies and regulations that enhance the U.S.'s standing as an independent and responsible energy producer. The group will also work with stakeholders, regulators, and elected officials at all levels of government to improve legacy and proposed regulations that threaten our nation's energy momentum and future growth in the Gulf of Mexico.

"While we're poised for thoughtful and meaningful growth, our country's offshore energy industry faces a critical moment," said Tim Duncan, CEO of Talos Energy, another GEA founding member. "Through ongoing education, our objective remains working collaboratively to ensure the Gulf of Mexico regulatory framework protects both the taxpayer and the environment while at the same time facilitating job growth in our industry that keeps Gulf Coast communities strong and the U.S. energy security and supply stable."

Founding members of the Gulf Energy Alliance include Fieldwood Energy, Talos Energy, Energy XXI, and Arena Energy. Alliance partners include the Mississippi Energy Institute, Louisiana Highway 1 Coalition, and the Louisiana Mid-Continent Oil and Gas Association. For more information, please visit GulfEnergyAlliance.org.

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