



Media Advisory

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The Western Energy Challenge: More Energy with Fewer Impacts

(DENVER) – Opinion polls show that Americans want more domestic oil and gas drilling on federal lands, but they also expect industry to use the best technology and practices to develop it. Is industry ready to meet the challenge?

The Independent Petroleum Association of Mountain States (IPAMS) announced this week the 2008 IPAMS Rocky Mountain Energy Technology Conference to be held September 4-5, 2008 at the Sheraton Hotel (1550 Court Place) in downtown Denver.

"Industry has invested billions of dollars in new technology to produce in areas that were thought were impossible just a few years ago. Countless technologies are now available to improve efficiency, reduce costs and help our industry meet growing environmental expectations," said Marc Smith, IPAMS Executive Director.

Speakers at the conference include many nationally recognized thought leaders on the nexus between technology and meeting America's energy challenge, including: **Senator Ken Salazar, Mike Smith of the Interstate Oil & Gas Compact Commission, Mike Ming with Research Partnership to Secure Energy for America, Don Peay with Sportsmen for Fish and Wildlife, and Dag Nummedal with the Colorado School of Mines.** For more information visit ipams.org

Who: Thought leaders from energy companies, academic institutions, research consortia, government, and NGOs who are interested in new technologies and practices to reduce the environmental impact of energy development.

What: 2008 IPAMS Rocky Mountain Technology Conference will focus on the technologies and practices that are shaping the future of oil and natural gas in the Intermountain West.

When: Thursday, September 4, 2008 and Friday, September 5, 2008

Where: Sheraton Hotel
1550 Court Place
Denver, CO

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About IPAMS

IPAMS, founded in 1974, is a non-profit trade association representing more than 400 independent oil and natural gas producers, service and supply companies, banking and financial institutions and industry consultants committed to environmentally responsible energy development in the Intermountain West. More information on IPAMS and its members is available at www.ipams.org.