

From: Byers, Dan
Sent: Wed, 12 Feb 2025 21:50:27 +0000
To: Fitzsimmons, Alexander
Subject: [EXTERNAL] FW: Invitation to Secretary Wright | CERAWeek Energy Security Forum March 10

Hi Alex,

Hope all is well. Big congrats to you on the new role at DOE working for Secretary Wright! I'm not just saying this – he is truly inspiring and thoughtful on all aspects of energy policy, and in my view the absolute perfect person for this job.

Anyway, I'm sure you are swamped but I figured I'd be remiss if I didn't flag for you the invitation below to Sec Wright to headline our CERAWeek G7 energy security roundtable. Izzy has been very responsive and I've also spoken to Tommy Joyce about it, but just wanted to let you know I'm leading this event from the Chamber side so as you consider it I'd be happy to explain further why we think it would be a great opportunity for him and DOE.

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Hi Izzy,

Congrats to Secretary Wright on his confirmation and first week in office. As you consider this invitation, we wanted to share with you a few updates we've received from other governments over the past week or so.

In general, we've received very positive feedback from most G7 ministries regarding the meeting. While we are still in the process of securing firm confirmations, nearly all countries have responded positively, and at the moment we're expecting to be joined by the following officials:

- Canada Minister of Natural Resources and the Environment Jonathan Wilkinson
- UK Minister of Industry Sarah Jones
- Japan Ministry of Economy, Trade, and Industry Vice-Minister Takehiko Matsuo
- European Union Energy Commissioner Dan Jorgensen
- Alberta Premier Danielle Smith
- Italy is very interested and likely to send a senior official TBD
- We are still getting in touch with Germany and France

On the industry side we are expecting:

- U.S. Chamber of Commerce Global Energy Institute President Marty Durbin

- International Gas Union Secretary-General Mel Ydreos
- Canada Gas Association President and CEO Tim Egan
- American Petroleum Institute CEO Mike Summers (tentative)
- Asia Natural Gas and Energy Association CEO Paul Everingham
- As in past years, we will also be extending an invitation to senior leadership or board member of both Eurogas and the International Association of Oil and Gas Producers (IOGP)

Finally, and as noted below, we are reaching out to Secretary Wright's friend, Magatte Wade, to provide a perspective on the importance of energy access to human development.

We'll keep you posted on our progress with meeting details in the days ahead, but if you or your team would like a call to discuss the goals and expected run-of-show further, we'd be happy to meet at your convenience.

Best,
Kendall

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Good afternoon, Kendall!

Thank you for getting this back to us so quickly. Our team will review it and get back to you as soon as possible.

Thanks again!

Izzy

From: Stephenson, Kendall <KStephenson@USChamber.com>

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Izzy,

No worries at all. We know y'all are crazy busy so we greatly appreciate the response and consideration of the invitation.

I'll be sure to send the attached form to (b)(6) - Secretary Wright, but sharing with you as well as an FYI. Let us know if you need anything else. Thanks again and we look forward to working with you. Good luck with everything, lots of exciting stuff happening at DOE!

Best,
Kendall

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Hi Kendall!

I hope you are having a great start to your week. My apologies for the delayed response on my end, it has been crazy over here as we are preparing for the Secretary Nominee to hopefully join us in the office here soon. Thank you so much for this awesome invite and sending it our way. Also- Meg is the absolute best!!

Upon the Secretary's confirmation we will be starting to lock in meetings and events on his calendar, especially for CERAWeek. In the meantime, please have the appropriate member of your team fill out the attached form and return it (b)(6) - Secretary Wright for our records and consideration!

We look forward to hearing from you. Thanks so much!

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From: Stephenson, Kendall <KStephenson@USChamber.com>
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Dear Izzy,

Congratulations to you, soon-to-be Secretary Wright, and his team on a smooth confirmation process thus far.

I'm reaching out to invite Secretary Wright to a private energy security forum at CERAWeek for G7 ministers that is jointly hosted by the U.S. Chamber and International Gas Union (Megan Bloomgren advised that we reach out to you). This forum is now in its third year after initially resulting from industry coordination with the Japanese government during their G7 host year of 2023, and we believe it presents an excellent opportunity to advance Trump Administration energy goals related to security, energy access, and a broader change in narrative with respect to the long-term role of natural gas in global energy systems.

A memo is attached that describes our proposed outline for this year's event, which will take place on the afternoon of **Monday, March 10th in Houston** during CERAWeek. The ultimate goal is to build momentum aimed at strengthening the G7's message on gas and energy security at Canada's energy ministerial. We will of course be inviting the Canadian federal government to participate in the event, but are also working closely with Alberta Premier Danielle Smith and her team on this strategy. We also think the gathering could provide an excellent opportunity to feature the energy access message of Secretary Wright's friend Magatte Wade.

We're happy to discuss the event, the attached proposed agenda and deliverables with you further (also attached is a prior event agenda for reference). Thanks for the consideration and don't hesitate to reach out with any questions!

Look forward to hearing back from you,
Kendall

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