

# 2008 CHAIRMAN'S STEWARDSHIP AWARDS





## ABOUT THE AWARD

Since its inception more than 70 years ago, the IOGCC has voiced the need for sound oil and natural gas environmental policy. Many organizations have gone far beyond the basic mandates of law and regulation to protect and enhance our nation's natural resources. The Chairman's Stewardship Awards represent the IOGCC's highest honor for these exemplary efforts by the oil and natural gas industry in environmental stewardship.

The award-winning projects represent a few of the many positive programs initiated by domestic oil and natural gas organizations and industry. The intention of the awards is to recognize achievement and challenge organizations, companies and individuals nationwide to demonstrate innovation, dedication and passion for our environment. Stewardship within the industry is one of the great untold success stories and the projects outlined in the following pages represent only a sample of those in operation throughout the world.

# AWARD CATEGORIES

**Large Company:** This award recognizes an innovative project by a large oil and natural gas company that demonstrates positive environmental stewardship. Large companies are those that operate nationwide and in many instances internationally.

**Small Company:** This award recognizes an innovative project by a small oil and natural gas company that demonstrates positive environmental stewardship. Small companies are those that operate in a limited area or region.

**Environmental Partnership:** The Environmental Partnership award recognizes innovative projects led by non-industry organizations with the cooperation and participation of industry.

**Energy Education:** This award is presented to a group or organization that has created a program to educate the public about oil and natural gas and the hundreds of ways it affects the lives of Americans each day.



## LARGE COMPANY

### *Devon Energy Corp.*

#### *Barnett Shale Water Conservation Initiatives*

By conserving millions of barrels of water on an annual basis, Devon Energy Corp. has reduced the environmental footprint and created opportunities that have not only enhanced the company's operational efficiency, but also reduced its localized vehicular traffic and created additional employment opportunities throughout the Barnett Shale. Devon's water recycling has allowed them to minimize out consumption of freshwater resources in addition to reducing the volume of water that must be disposed. Although these initiatives don't provide a tangible increase to Devon's bottom line, the company is committed to water conservation because of its vision of Corporate Social Responsibility and beliefs in setting the bar high for other operators in the industry because it is "the right thing to do." Devon looks forward to identifying future technologies that will reduce its environmental footprint and strengthen its tradition as a leader in environmental innovation within the industry.

**[www.devonenergy.com](http://www.devonenergy.com)**

# SMALL COMPANY

## *Pioneer Natural Resources Alaska, Inc.*

### *The Oooguruk Project*

Pioneer Natural Resources Alaska, Inc.'s, Oooguruk project is the first field operated by an independent company in the history of Alaska's North Slope. Oooguruk was brought on-line (from exploration wells to first production) in five years. First production and sales commenced from Oooguruk in June 2008 and done safely within a framework of environmental controls that ensured the smallest footprint and the lightest impact possible.

From the start, the company wanted to execute the Oooguruk project in a world class manor, successful development and equally as important to understand the conditions existing in the area. After holding a field simulation test, discussions were held to provide further information about the Oooguruk project development. The sessions included excessive interactions between project management, engineering personnel, regulatory personnel and community representatives. Beginning with the early engineering stages and planning, it was vital to Pioneer that local community representatives be included. Pioneer wanted to make sure the project would be positive for everyone involved.

**[www.pioneernrc.com](http://www.pioneernrc.com)**



# ENVIRONMENTAL PARTNERSHIP

## *Energy and Environmental Research Center (EERC)*

### *Plains CO<sub>2</sub> Reduction (PCOR) Partnership*

The PCOR Partnership is helping to develop technologies to capture, purify and store CO<sub>2</sub> in order to reduce greenhouse gas emissions without adversely influencing energy use or hindering economic growth. Carbon sequestration technologies capture and store CO<sub>2</sub> that would otherwise reside in the atmosphere for long periods of time. The results of the PCOR Partnership's field tests will be used to 1) demonstrate the effectiveness of using CO<sub>2</sub> to enhance the production of hydrocarbons in reservoirs, 2) exhibit the cost-effective use of oil reservoirs and lignite coal seams for safe storage of CO<sub>2</sub>, and 3) establish a means by which carbon markets can facilitate more recovery of oil and gas from the region.

With respect to environmental benefit, each validation test has been designed and implemented according to applicable state and federal regulations to ensure that the environmental impact of the project activities are minimal. Measurement, mitigation and verification activities are conducted at each technology test site to ensure that shallow groundwater resources and the surface environment are not adversely impacted by the injection activities.

[www.indeerc.org/pcor](http://www.indeerc.org/pcor)

# ENERGY EDUCATION

## *Coalbed Natural Gas Alliance*

### *Inform, Educate and Communicate Accurate Information About Coalbed Natural Gas Development*

The CBNGA is an organization of about 600 energy providers, businesses, ranchers, farmers and individuals who support responsible energy development. Formed in 2001 as a cooperative effort to bring together the many parties involved in natural gas development, the objective of the CBNGA is to grow the economy of the Powder River Basin along the Wyoming-Montana region through responsible development of coalbed natural gas while maintaining the region's value and sense of place. One way to do this is by providing accurate information and education about coalbed natural gas development in the region.

The CBGNA works to share information about coalbed natural gas development, in a world where some are sharing misconceptions and proposing new regulations that could have a negative effect on coalbed natural gas.

The CBNGA has a three-part presentation specifically tailored to every audience, ranging from university women, to school boards, elected officials and Kiwanis. The first "State of the Industry" report was created this year and distributed through local newspapers and at all the CBNGA functions. The CBNGA also writes and distributes a quarterly newsletter and updates information on their Web site.

**[www.cbnga.com](http://www.cbnga.com)**



## 2008 HONORABLE MENTION

- Anadarko Petroleum Corp., EnCana Oil & Gas, and Noble Energy Inc.,  
*Denver Julesburg Basin Energy Expo*
- BP America Production Company, *Wamsutter's Holistic Approach to Wildlife Management*
- ConocoPhillips, *Piceance Basin Temporary Living Quarters*
- ConocoPhillips, *Voluntary Emissions Reductions*

# 2008 HONORABLE MENTION

- ConocoPhillips Company, Devon Energy Corp., EnCana Oil & Gas, Marathon Oil Corp., and Fremont County Fair Board, *Energy Education Expo*
  - Devon Energy Corpo., *Restore New Mexico*
  - EnCana Oil & Gas (USA) Inc., *Wind River Reclamation Project*
  - EnCana Oil & Gas (USA) Inc., *Southern Piceance Basin Water Data Repository*
  - Shell Oil Company, *Healthy Lands Initiative, Upper Green River Basin, Wyoming*
  - Williams Production, *Archeological and Wildlife Stewardship associated with the Black Bullet Pipeline Project*
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# PAST WINNERS 1996 - 2007

## 2007

**Large Company** - BP America Production Company

**Small Company** - Questar Exploration and Production

**Environmental Partnership** - Cooperative Sagebrush Initiative

**Energy Education** - Fort Worth Chamber of Commerce, Barnett Shale EXPO

**Energy Education** - Michigan Oil & Gas Producers Education Foundation

## 2006

**Major Company** - EnCana Oil and Gas (USA) Incorporated

**Independent Company** - Encore Acquisition Company

**Environmental Partnership** - Kansas Corporation Commission, ALL Consulting,  
U.S. Department of Energy

**Energy Education** - Kansas Independent Oil & Gas Association

# PAST WINNERS 1996 - 2007

## 2005

**Major Company** - Devon Energy Corporation - two outstanding projects

**Independent Company** - Bill Barrett Corporation

**Environmental Partnership** - STRONGER, Incorporated

**Energy Education** - Coalbed Natural Gas Alliance

**Energy Education** - EnCana Oil and Gas Incorporated

## 2004

**Major Company** - BP America Production Company

**Independent Company** - Fidelity E & P

**Environmental Partnership** - San Juan County CUPID Committee

**Energy Education** - NEED Project





## PAST WINNERS 1996 - 2007

### 2003

**Energy Education** - Illinois Petroleum Resources Board

**Energy Education** - Ohio Oil & Gas Energy Education Program

**Environmental Partnership** - Oklahoma Energy Resources Board

### 2002

**Major Company** - Marathon Oil Company

**Independent Company** - Dominion Exploration and Production

**Environmental Partnership** - Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund, Michigan Oil & Gas Association

**Energy Education** - Wasatch-Cache Petroleum Showcase, Merit Energy Company

# PAST WINNERS 1996 - 2007

## 2001

**Large Company** - Phillips Petroleum Company (Alaska)

**Independent Company** - Evergreen Resources

**Environmental Partnership** - SW Brine Coalition

**Energy Education** - National Energy Foundation

**Energy Education** - Oklahoma Energy Resources Board

## 2000

**Large Company** - ARCO Alaska, Inc.

**Small Company** - Eastern States Exploration Company

**Environmental Partnership** - Kern County Planning Department

**Energy Education** - Kansas Oil and Gas Museum Foundation



## PAST WINNERS 1996 - 2007

**1999**

**Large Company** - Marathon Oil Co.

**Independent Producer** - Prima Energy Corp.

**1998**

**Large Company** - Texaco,

**Independent Producer** - Tom Brown, Inc.

**1997**

**Chairman's Stewardship Award** - Phillips Petroleum Company

**1996**

**Chairman's Stewardship Award** - Amoco

# ABOUT THE COMMISSION

The Interstate Oil and Gas Compact Commission is a multi-state government agency that promotes conservation and efficient recovery of our nation's oil and natural gas resources while protecting health, safety and the environment.

Representing the governors of 38 states, the IOGCC serves as a forum where state, federal and industry officials can meet to develop sensible solutions to common problems. The Commission's ability to find common ground is unmatched by any other entity dealing with petroleum issues.

The IOGCC also effectively develops regulatory guidance documents and model legislation; conducts studies related to resources, production, research, development and emerging environmental concerns; and provides training and education for industry, the regulatory community, key leaders and the general public. For more information visit [www.iogcc.state.ok.us](http://www.iogcc.state.ok.us) or call 405.525.3556.





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