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TRIBAL LEADER FORUM SERIES

**ENERGY TAX POLICIES AND
INTER-JURISDICTIONAL CHALLENGES**

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THE ROOSEVELT HOTEL

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The fourth of a series of planned U.S. DOE Office of Indian Energy-sponsored strategic energy development & investment forums, this forum will provide an opportunity for Tribal leaders and federal agencies to get real-time market snapshots of: renewable energy investment challenges, alternative energy tribal ownership opportunities, and tax policy and inter-jurisdictional challenges. This Forum will also provide a venue for Tribal leaders to directly converse with each other regarding best practices in renewable energy investment and overcoming tax policy barriers.

AGENDA

**THURSDAY, MARCH 22
MEETING ROOM—CHAMBERS 1 & 3**

8:00am – 8:30am	REGISTRATION
8:30am – 8:45am	WELCOME, INTRODUCTIONS & MEETING PURPOSE <i>Overview of Forum</i> Tracey A. LeBeau, Director, U.S. DOE Office of Indian Energy Pilar Thomas, Deputy Director, U.S. DOE Office of Indian Energy
8:45am – 9:30am	OVERVIEW OF STATE & FEDERAL ENERGY TAXES AND INCENTIVES Jim Reed, Group Director, Environment, Energy & Transportation, National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL) Jacquelyn Pless, Energy Policy Associate, NCSL
9:30am – 10:00am	THE CHALLENGES OF INVESTING IN RENEWABLE ENERGY <i>A discussion of the challenges faced when investing in renewable energy from an investor & developer perspective.</i> Rebecca Kauffman, President & COO, Southern Ute Alternative Energy Investment Fund (to call in) Matt Ferguson, Principal, Renewable Energy Practice, Reznick Group

10:00am – 10:15am	BREAK
10:15am –10:45am	<p>“DOUBLE TAXATION” OF ENERGY IN INDIAN COUNTRY</p> <p><i>Review of recent cases and trends affecting the taxation and tax incentivization of energy in Indian Country</i></p>
10:45am – 11:15am	<p>CASE STUDIES OF COUNTY TAXATION ON A TRIBAL PROJECT</p> <p><i>Chairwoman La Chappa, Campo Band of Kumeyaay Nation</i></p> <p><i>David A. Wolff, General Counsel, Fort Mojave Tribe (to call in)</i></p>
11:15am – 12:00pm	<p>TAX POLICY & INTER-JURISDICTIONAL COORDINATION IN ENERGY</p> <p><i>A discussion of state energy tax agreements and whether compacting works</i></p> <p><i>Kelly S. Croman-Neelands, General Counsel, Marine View Ventures, Inc.</i></p> <p><i>Marine View Ventures (MVV) is the economic development arm of the Puyallap Tribe of Washington.</i></p>
12:00pm – 1:00pm	<p>LUNCH & OPEN DISCUSSION FOR TRIBAL LEADERS</p> <p>This session is dedicated to providing an open forum for Tribal leaders to exchange stories and ideas to better promote and facilitate efforts, on all levels, related to renewable energy investment and overcoming inter-jurisdictional challenges.</p>
1:15pm – 1:30pm	NEXT STEPS & CONCLUDING REMARKS