



Houston Chapter

DATE: Wednesday, April 1, 2009

TIME: 11:30 am

LOCATION: Petroleum Club – Coastal Suite

COST: Members: \$35.00

Guests & Non-members: \$40.00

Note: An additional \$5.00 surcharge will be added to payments of walk-ins and after deadline reservations.

SPEAKER: James Harden, Ernst & Young LLP



Jim serves Ernst & Young as Global Energy Valuation Market Leader. His primary responsibilities are coordination and leadership of valuation assignments for oil and gas companies for mergers and acquisitions, purchase allocations, state and local, federal and international tax purposes, and insurance and litigation purposes. His prior work experience includes Texaco and as an independent oil and gas operator.

During his career, Jim has worked on hundreds of valuation engagements involving oil, gas and mineral reserves, onshore and offshore drilling rigs, gas and fluid pipelines, gas processing plants and oil refineries in more than forty

countries including China, Russia, Ukraine, Kazakhstan, Thailand, Japan, Singapore, Romania, Czech Republic, India, nearly every Western European nation, Canada, Mexico and Brazil. He has also provided expert witness testimony before US Federal Court, US Bankruptcy Court and district courts and state tax tribunals.

Jim has dual BS degrees from Ft. Hays State University and an MBA from LeTourneau University. He is a Senior Member of the American Society of Appraisers (certified in Oil and Gas Valuation), a Certified Professional Geologist, and a member of the American Assn. of Petroleum Geologists, and the Society of Petroleum Engineers. He has been a frequent speaker at professional energy conferences, including the following:

American Society of Appraisers International Business Valuation Conference, *“Monte Carlo simulation in Valuing Natural Gas Reserves”*

International Association of Drilling Contractors’ Tax Conference, *“Valuation of Offshore Drilling Rigs”*

Mergermarket Energy M&A Conference (keynote), *“Perspectives on Oil and Gas Trends and Prices”*

“Valuation Issues and Trends in Volatile Times” - Jim Harden, Global Energy Valuation Market Leader, Ernst & Young LLP, will discuss the current business volatility and how we can cope in 2009.

For reservations, please contact BK at (713) 651-1639, fax (713) 951-9659, or e-mail BKSPEE@aol.com **by noon Monday, March 30th**. Cancellations must be made prior to the noon March 30th deadline. No shows will be billed. Cash and check payments are accepted. Credit cards can not be processed. Receipts provided upon payment.