



## Memorandum

To: Obama for America  
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From: Bruce Thompson  
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Subject: Request for Transition Representative Visit with CEOs

Congratulations on a remarkable election victory following a superb campaign.

The American Exploration & Production Council (AXPC) looks forward to working with President Obama and his administration on a range of energy and related issues, and we would like to begin our relationship with a transition team discussion with our most senior company executives when they gather in Houston for our regular Winter Meeting on Friday, December 5, 2008.

The AXPC is the national trade association representing the 24 largest US independent (or non-refining and marketing) natural gas and oil exploration and production companies. Our members are leaders in applying advanced technology to find, develop and produce energy from the new onshore shale gas plays to the deepest waters of the Gulf of Mexico and around the world. They are also policy leaders in addressing such critical issues as the need for more natural gas if there is to be any new climate policy.

When we meet on December 5<sup>th</sup>, we would welcome the opportunity to discuss the many important energy issues facing our country with a senior member of the transition team. We would also appreciate any preliminary insights President-Elect Obama's representative may be able to provide with respect to the policy formulation process the new administration plans to follow.

Please let me know whether you believe the meeting we are requesting is possible, or if you have any questions.

Thank you.

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