

Liquid Pipeline Advisory Committee (LPAC)

Member Biographies

As of March 2026

GOVERNMENT

David Chislea (G)

Manager, Gas Operations Section
Michigan Public Service Commission
Lansing, MI

David Chislea is the Director of the Gas Safety and Operations Division in the Michigan Public Service Commission, which is responsible for inspection and related enforcement of Federal pipeline safety regulations and Michigan Gas Safety Standards; pipeline incident investigations; underground utility damage prevention; gas, storage, and liquid pipeline siting cases; natural gas production; gas distribution franchises; technical standards for gas service; natural gas storage safety; and related issues in natural gas utility rate cases. His previous responsibilities at the Public Service Commission included auditing natural gas utilities and pipeline companies for compliance with the Michigan Gas Safety Standards and Federal pipeline safety regulations, including ensuring compliance with construction, design, operation and maintenance, and risk-based integrity management program requirements. Mr. Chislea earned a Bachelor of Science degree in civil engineering from Michigan Technological University and has completed more than 20 Federal pipeline safety courses related to design, construction, operation and maintenance, corrosion control, integrity management, and incident investigation and cause analysis. Mr. Chislea currently serves as the National Chair of the National Association of Pipeline Safety Representatives, a non-profit pipeline safety organization that provides for interaction between the State pipeline safety programs and PHMSA. In his current position as Chair, he regularly reviews and provides direction to the State programs in formulating comments to both gas and hazardous liquid pipeline safety regulatory dockets and providing ongoing feedback to PHMSA on regulations and related pipeline safety issues.

Kim David (G)

Chairman
OK Corporate Commission
Oklahoma City, OK

Kim David serves as Chairman of the Oklahoma Corporation Commission, where she was sworn in on January 9, 2023. A native Oklahoman and small business owner, she previously served in the Oklahoma State Senate (2010–2022), where she became the first woman to serve as Majority Leader, Appropriations Committee Chair, and Majority Whip. She is a strong advocate of an “all of the above” energy policy, having authored legislation on hydrogen fuel standards and reporting, and works closely with industry leaders to strengthen Oklahoma’s energy framework. With professional experience in petroleum marketing and business management, she brings both private-sector and legislative expertise to her regulatory role.

Kevin McDonald (G)

Marine Transportation Specialist
United States Coast Guard
Edgewater, MD

Kevin McDonald, a graduate of USMMA, is a maritime security and compliance professional with extensive experience working with the U.S. Coast Guard, both as a retired active-duty veteran and in the Coast Guard Civilian workforce. His career has been built around ensuring safety, operational integrity, and regulatory adherence across a wide range of maritime environments. With expertise in inspection, enforcement, regulatory initiatives, and complex mission execution, Mr. McDonald brings a detailed understanding of both field operations and policy requirements and is known for his leadership, reliability, and commitment to protecting the public and the maritime transportation system. He excels at navigating challenging regulatory issues, coordinating with diverse stakeholders, and improving organizational readiness. Mr. McDonald has worked as a Marine Transportation Specialist in the USCG Office of Port & Facility Compliance since 2022 and spent 20 years on Active Duty in the USCG.

Jeremy Oden (G)

Commissioner
Alabama Public Service Commission
Vinemont, AL

Jeremy Oden is a nationally recognized expert in public utility regulation and has been selected for several positions of national leadership in energy policy. He has served as the President of the Southeastern Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners; as a Board Member of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC); as Chairman of the Subcommittee on Clean Coal and Carbon Management at NARUC; as Chair of the Department of Energy (DOE) fossil fuel partnership with NARUC; as a President Trump appointment to the National Coal Council; and as a member of the Nuclear Waste Strategy Coalition. Mr. Oden is a national spokesman as an expert in utility regulation and utility policy. Commissioner Oden has served Alabama as a Public Service Commissioner Place 1, being elected statewide multiple times. He has served as an Alabama State Representative from his home district in Cullman, Blount, and Morgan counties, being elected from 1998 through 2012. He is recognized by multiple associations, advocacy groups, and fellow legislators as a powerful public leader, garnering numerous awards for “Legislator of the Year,” excellence in leadership, and other recognitions.

Drue Pearce (G)

Counselor to the Assistant Secretary on Land and Minerals Management
Department of Interior
Anchorage, AK

Drue Pearce rejoined the Department of the Interior (DOI) in May 2025 as Counselor to the Assistant Secretary of Land and Minerals Management. Prior to returning to DOI, she was Government Affairs Director at Holland & Hart LLP. Ms. Pearce served as PHMSA’s Deputy Administrator during the first term of President Donald J. Trump, where she provided overall leadership, planning, and policy direction for the agency alongside the Administrator, and had direct responsibility for rulemaking. From 2010–2016, she was a Senior Policy Advisor at Crowell &

Moring LLP. Ms. Pearce has an extensive background in Federal transportation and pipeline safety. In 2006, she was nominated and confirmed as the first Federal Coordinator for Alaskan Natural Gas Transportation Projects, where she oversaw efforts to advance the Nation's energy, environmental, and economic security. Ms. Pearce was appointed Senior Advisor for Alaska Affairs to the U.S. Secretary of the Interior in 2001. Prior to her Federal service, Ms. Pearce served for 17 years in the Alaska State House and Senate and was the first woman to serve two terms as Senate President and two terms as Senate Finance Cochair. She earned her BA degree from Indiana University, her MPA from the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University, and her Advanced Management Certificate from the Executive Program at Darden School of Business, University of Virginia.

Industry

Graham Bacon (I)

Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer
Enterprise Products
Houston, TX

Graham Bacon serves as Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer for Enterprise Products where he is responsible for the partnership's Operations, Engineering, Safety, Environmental, Training, and Supply Chain functions. He joined Enterprise Products in 1991 and has held a variety of positions of increasing responsibility in the design and operation of Midstream pipeline and facility assets. Mr. Bacon is on the board of directors of the Liquid Energy Pipeline Association (LEPA) and is a past member of the LEPA/API Pipeline Safety Policy Team. He served previously on LPAC from 2017–2025. He also serves on the Engineering Advisory Council for Texas A&M University. Mr. Bacon retired from the U.S. Navy Reserve in 2021 after 23 years of service as an Engineering Duty Officer. He holds a bachelor's degree in chemical engineering from Texas A&M University and a master's degree in business administration from Oklahoma City University.

Jamie Chapman (I)

Senior Vice President, Technical Services
Colonial Pipeline
Alpharetta, GA

Jamie Chapman has more than 25 years of collective leadership, engineering, and pipeline industry experience. He's been with Colonial Pipeline since 2021 and leads the Engineering, Asset Integrity, Project Management, and Field Inspection teams. Mr. Chapman previously spent nine years with Kinder Morgan, directing engineering and project management teams on primarily liquid refined products pipelines located coast-to-coast and internationally. In addition to his work with Kinder Morgan, Mr. Chapman's background includes additional engineering leadership roles, project management, and design experience with engineering consulting firms. He began his career in the U.S. Army, serving six years in the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and attaining the rank of Captain. He holds a master's degree in civil engineering from the Missouri University of Science & Technology and a bachelor's degree in civil engineering from Tulane University. Mr. Chapman participates in API-LEPA leadership meetings, serving on the API Pipeline Steering Group and the Pipeline Safety Excellence Subcommittee. He also is a member of the Pipeline Research Council International (PRCI) Executive Assembly.

James Holland (I)

Chief Operations Officer
Kinder Morgan Inc
Houston, TX

Mr. Holland brings more than 25 years of leadership in pipeline operations, safety, and regulatory compliance to his role as Chief Operating Officer at Kinder Morgan, Inc., one of North America's largest energy infrastructure companies. He was named Vice President of Logistics for the Products Pipelines group in 2004, Vice President of Technical Services in 2012, and President of Products Pipelines in 2017. Mr. Holland holds bachelor's degrees in chemistry and biology from New Mexico State University. His career has been defined by a commitment to advancing technically feasible, cost-effective, and practical solutions to pipeline safety and integrity challenges. Mr. Holland has overseen Kinder Morgan's Pipeline Integrity Management Program to ensure full compliance with PHMSA regulations through rigorous risk assessments, advanced inspection technologies, and continuous improvement initiatives. His involvement in the Compliance Codes and Standards Department reflects a deep understanding of regulatory frameworks and operational realities, making him a strong advocate for reasonable and effective safety standards. In addition to his technical and operational leadership, Mr. Holland has managed and strengthened Kinder Morgan's Environmental, Social, and Governance strategy, integrating sustainability into day-to-day operations and long-term planning. His approach balances innovation with practicality, ensuring that safety and environmental goals are met without compromising reliability or affordability.

Shawn Lyon (I)

Senior VP, Logistics & Storage
MPLX, Marathon Petroleum
Findlay, OH

Shawn Lyon's career in energy has spanned more than three decades, beginning when he joined Marathon Petroleum Company (MPC) in 1989 as an engineer in Indianapolis, Indiana, working in various positions in the midstream and engineering organizations. In 2002, Mr. Lyon transferred to Findlay, Ohio, where he has held a variety of leadership positions, and was named President of Marathon Pipe Line (MPL) in 2018. He assumed his current position in 2022.

Mr. Lyon graduated from Purdue University with a Bachelor of Science degree in construction engineering in 1989. He was licensed as a Professional Engineer in 1994. Mr. Lyon, by appointment of former U.S. Secretary of Transportation Elaine Chao, served on LPAC from 2019–2025. He is a member of the board of directors for the Liquid Energy Pipeline Association (LEPA), of which he served as board chair since 2023, and serves as board chair of the Louisiana Offshore Oil Port (LOOP). Mr. Lyon served as past member and 2020 chair of the American Petroleum Institute's (API) Pipeline Subcommittee Steering Group; the API-LEPA Pipeline Safety Excellence Steering Committee; and the LEPA Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Policy Committee. He co-chaired the public engagement recommended practice development group (API RP 1185), which included industry, public, and government entities for the entire pipeline segment. Mr. Lyon also served as chair of the pipeline industry's implementation of the Pipeline Safety Management System (API RP 1173) from 2015–2018 and on the Michigan Pipeline Safety Advisory Board from 2017–2018. He serves on the Engineering Advisory Council for Purdue University. Mr. Lyon has worked to foster safety culture within MPC and MPLX and across the industry. In 2019, Mr. Lyon received the Pipeline Leadership Award during the Pipeline Leadership Conference in Houston, Texas, for driving transformation and improvement in the industry. In 2019 and 2023, MPL was awarded the API

Distinguished Pipeline Safety Award. Selected by pipeline industry peers, the award acknowledged MPL for fostering safety culture, sharing and implementing best practices, and actively participating in and contributing to API policy and technical work. In 2024, MPL received the President's Award from the Common Ground Alliance for its exceptional dedication to damage prevention.

Kevin Ruffatto (I)

Vice President, U.S. Operations Enbridge
Houston, TX

Kevin Ruffatto serves as the Vice President of U.S. Operations for Enbridge's Liquid Pipelines business. He is accountable for the safe and reliable operations of Enbridge's liquid petroleum pipeline and terminal facilities across the United States. After several years in industry as an engineering consultant, Mr. Ruffatto joined Enbridge in 2008 and has held a variety of positions of increasing responsibility in design, construction, and operation of liquid petroleum pipelines and facilities. Mr. Ruffatto is an active member of the American Petroleum Institute/Liquid Energy Pipeline Association's Pipeline Safety Excellent Steering Committee, helping to shape policy and direction in furthering safety and operational excellence within the midstream industry. He is an alumnus of Montana State University, College of Engineering, where he holds a Bachelor of Science in mechanical engineering.

Public

Robert Gilbert (P)

Chair, Maseeh Department of Civil Engineering
University of Texas
Austin, TX

Robert Gilbert is Chair of the Maseeh Department of Civil, Architectural and Environmental Engineering at The University of Texas at Austin. His technical focus is the assessment, evaluation and management of risk for civil engineering systems. He has worked on a variety of large infrastructure projects, including the New Orleans levee system, the east span of the San Francisco Bay Bridge, the Rocky Mountain Arsenal waste disposal project, and many of the world's largest offshore energy production systems. He was elected to the National Academy of Engineering in 2020.

Peter Jensen (P)

Vice Chair, Hazardous Materials Committee
International Association of Fire Chiefs
Camarillo, CA

Chief Jensen recently semi-retired after more than 34 years in the fire service. He started his career in the Ventura County Fire Department on the hand crew fighting wildland fires. In 1990, he joined the Point Mugu Fire Department (PMFD) at Naval Air Station Point Mugu as a civilian Federal firefighter and progressed up to the rank of Captain. During his tenure, he was a plank holder in the creation of that department's hazmat and urban search and rescue teams. After almost nine years with PMFD, he started over as a rookie firefighter with the Ventura County Fire Department and again was promoted through the ranks to Captain, the department's Hazmat Officer, and continuing as a Battalion Chief in Operations. Chief Jensen has a master's degree in emergency and disaster

management from American Military University, a bachelor's degree from California State University Long Beach in occupational studies, and an associate's degree in fire technology from Oxnard College. He is a certified instructor for the California State Fire Marshal, the California Specialized Training Institute (CSTI), the Federal Emergency Management Agency, the National Sheriffs' Association, and the National Fire Academy. Chief Jensen has participated in numerous exercises as the lead or a member of the planning team. The exercises ranged from drills, seminars, tabletops, and functional to full-scale exercises involving more than 200 participants from multiple local, State, and Federal agencies (Lead, Coastal Trident 2017–2019). Chief Jensen also has presented at numerous nationwide conferences on multiple different topics and is a Certified Emergency Manager through the International Association of Emergency Managers. As part of his service to the fire service and the hazmat communities, Mr. Jensen serves on a number of committees and working groups. He was appointed recently as Chair of the International Association of Fire Chiefs' Hazmat Committee, with continued service on the National Fire Protection Agency 470/475 technical committee and the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's FGA Working group. He also served as past Chair of the FIRESCOPE Hazmat Working Group. Mr. Jensen is a certified Hazmat Specialist, a CSTI Outreach Instructor, and a qualified Division Group Supervisor, Strike Team Leader, Type 3 Safety Officer and Type 3 Public Information Officer through the Federal NWCG incident qualification System (Incident Command System/National Incident Management System).

Mary McDaniel (P)

Georgetown, TX

Mary McDaniel is a retired pipeline safety expert with a distinguished career in regulatory oversight and technical leadership. She began her pipeline regulatory career with the Railroad Commission of Texas in 1983 as a staff engineer, where she was responsible for instructing field staff in corrosion control and cathodic protection. In 1987, she was appointed Director of Pipeline Safety at the Railroad Commission of Texas, a role she held for more than 25 years. During her tenure, she oversaw pipeline, rail, and liquefied petroleum gas safety programs, and supervised up to 100 personnel as Safety Director for the State of Texas. Throughout her career, Ms. McDaniel was responsible for planning, developing, and implementing pipeline and other regulatory safety programs. In 2010, she joined PHMSA as a Compliance Officer, and later served as Operations Supervisor, Southwest Region Director, and ultimately retired in 2024 as Senior Technical Advisor to the Associate Administrator. Ms. McDaniel holds a Bachelor of Science in chemical engineering from the University of Texas and is a registered professional engineer in the State of Texas.

Philip Oakes (P)

CEO

National Association of State Fire Marshals
East Berlin, PA

Philip Oakes is the Chief Operating Officer for the National Association of State Fire Marshals (NASFM) and has been with them for over 14 years. Prior to taking his current position with NASFM, Mr. Oakes served as the State Training Director for the Wyoming State Fire Marshal's Office for 5 years. In this capacity he was responsible for coordinating the activities of the State Training Division, as it provided training, fire investigation, and incident reporting assistance throughout the State of Wyoming. During this time, the Training Division received national accreditation and two national awards for excellence in certification. Mr. Oakes retired from the fire service in 2017 after

serving for 23 years as a firefighter, Fire Chief, Public Information Officer, Engineer, Training Officer, and Operations Chief. When he retired, he did so as the Volunteer Fire Chief of Laramie County Fire District #4. He has also worked as an EMT-B and as an Emergency Services Dispatcher. Upon his retirement from the fire service, he continued to work for the National Association of State Fire Marshals and teaches on several topics around the world. He currently lives with his family in the Gettysburg, PA area. Mr. Oakes has been certified as a Fire Officer III, Fire Service Instructor III, Hazardous Materials Incident Commander, Fire Inspector and Fire Investigator. He holds degrees in both Business Administration and Fire Science. Mr. Oakes has served as an author, reviewer, and contributor for several fire service book publishers and various magazines, as well as served on the Board of Directors for the International Society of Fire Service Instructors. In the past, he has also served as both a town councilman and mayor

William Schoonover (P)

Deal, MD

Mr. William “Bill” Schoonover is currently the owner of Schoonover Executive Solutions, LLC providing transportation policy and innovative solutions to transportation safety and security companies. Mr. Schoonover retired as the Associate Administrator for Hazardous Materials Safety, within the DOT’s Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration. As the senior career official for the hazardous materials transportation safety program, he led the agency responsible for overseeing the safe transport of more than 3.3 billion tons of regulated hazardous products valued at more than \$1.9 trillion, annually. Mr. Schoonover has over 40 years of experience in the transportation industry and brings a wealth of experience having worked previously in the Federal Railroad Administration, the United States Coast Guard, the Coast Guard Reserve, and for a national industrial and environmental service provider.