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David J. Manning, Q.C.

Current Title:

Executive Vice President, U.S. External Affairs

Date Joined: April 1999 (KeySpan)

Responsible for:

David is responsible for government relations at the federal level. He is also a key party on government relations at the state and local levels, as well as public affairs, internal and external communications, community development, corporate brand strategy and environmental policy.

Experience:

After several years in private law practice in Canada as Queen's Council, David was asked to move to the U.S. as Senior International Trade Counsel for the government of Alberta focusing on International trade and energy issues. In that role, based in New York (1988 to 1993), he became a participant in the effort to significantly increase the flow of natural gas from Alberta to the U.S. through the proposed Iroquois Gas Pipeline.

Mr. Manning returned to Canada to be Deputy Minister of Energy for the Province of Alberta, Canada, the largest energy producing region in North America. He held this post from 1993 to 1995, a critical period for the Canadian Oil Sands, now a major source of energy for North America and a focus of environmental concern.

Mr. Manning then was selected to operate as President of the Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers, a national trade association representing all significant oil and gas producers nationally and internationally. CAPP moved early in climate change response, initiating the first voluntary action recognition program in Canada in the early 90's. Mr. Manning was a delegate to the Kyoto conference on climate change in that capacity.

More recently, Mr. Manning has served as Executive Vice President and Chief Environmental Officer of KeySpan, New York State's largest power generator and one of the largest gas distributors in the U.S. In that capacity, he was central to a "system repowering" of the Ravenswood power station (New York's largest) with the addition of combined-cycle capacity. Following KeySpan's acquisition by National Grid, Mr. Manning joins as EVP a company which has already achieved a 37% reduction towards its Kyoto targets and has mandated an 80% reduction in CO₂ emissions by 2050.

Mr. Manning is past Chair, Brooklyn Chamber of Commerce, and sits on the Boards of the New York City Police Foundation, Audubon New York, Long Island Housing Partnership, Citizen Budget Commission, and the New York League of Conservation Voters.

Education:

David was educated in law and has Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Laws degrees from the University of Alberta. He did post-graduate study in international law at Australian National University and was a Rotary Foundation Fellow. He is a member of the Law Society of Alberta, the Canadian Bar Association, and is eligible for admission to the New York Bar.

Personal:

Mr. Manning is married to Jacqueline Siben, a lawyer in New York, and they have four daughters.

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