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## The Boom: Oil and Gas Exploration and Production in California

*Please join Glaser Weil and YPE LA for a panel discussion with Phil McPherson, CFO, Citadel Exploration, Elliott Heide, Assistant General Counsel, Occidental Petroleum, and Mike Wang, Legal Affairs, the Western States Petroleum Association. The panel will address current issues relating to oil and gas exploration and production in California, and will be moderated by Noah Perch-Ahern, associate at Glaser Weil and Director of YPE LA.*

**Date:** Thursday, March 14, 2013

**Time:** 6 p.m. networking (light appetizers and drinks will be served), 7 p.m. panel discussion

**Location:** Glaser Weil, 10250 Constellation Blvd., 19th Floor, Los Angeles, CA 90067 (parking is available across the street at the Westfield Mall)

Please RSVP by March 11 to Denise Nix at [dnix@glaserweil.com](mailto:dnix@glaserweil.com). For more information about the event or YPE LA, please contact Noah Perch-Ahern at [nperchahern@glaserweil.com](mailto:nperchahern@glaserweil.com) or by calling 310.556.7842.



**Philip J. McPherson, CFO, Citadel Exploration:** Mr. McPherson joined COIL with nearly two decades of experience in the capital markets and financial services sectors. He started his career as a retail stock broker with Mission Capital and became partner before it was acquired by oil and gas boutique C. K. Cooper & Company. At C.K. Cooper, Mr. McPherson was a research analyst specializing in small cap exploration and production companies. In 2007, he joined Global Hunter Securities as a partner and managing director of the energy research group. He is a recognized expert on California E&P firms.



**Elliott Heide, Assistant General Counsel, Occidental Petroleum:** Mr. Heide is assistant general counsel for Occidental Petroleum Corporation, one of the largest publicly-traded oil and gas production and exploration companies and a major North American chemical manufacturer. Since September 2000, he has been Occidental's chief health, environment, safety, security and social responsibility (HES&S) counsel, with worldwide management responsibility for all legal matters relating to HES&S, including litigation, administrative law, legislative and regulatory advocacy, corporate compliance and internal policy development.

**Mike Wang, Legal Affairs, the Western States Petroleum Association:** Mr. Wang has more than 30 years of experience in the identification, analysis and implementation of solutions to key environmental issues in the West. Since 1987, he has been with the Western States Petroleum Association (WSPA), a trade association that represents petroleum companies in the Western United States. In that capacity, he has participated in hundreds of regulatory hearings covering all aspects of environmental issues, including air quality, water quality, CEQA, toxics and environmental justice. Recently he has managed the cap and trade issues associated with implementation of AB 32 (Green House Gas/Climate Change).



**Noah Perch-Ahern, associate at Glaser Weil and Director of YPE LA:** Noah Perch-Ahern, an associate in Glaser Weil's Environmental and Energy Practice Group, maintains a broad environmental law practice that includes major litigation and administrative proceedings, business transactions and regulatory matters. He has advised and represented clients with respect to liability for contaminated properties and industrial operations, permitting issues and project development, compliance with environmental laws and regulations, the sale of Brownfield properties and businesses with environmentally sensitive operations and emerging focuses, such as California's cap-and-trade program.