Energy Professional Council (EPC) Charter

The charter of the Energy Professionals Council (EPC) consists of these elements: First, the members of the EPC will provide an organized forum for EPs to promote increased collaboration among EPs and enhance EP participation in EBA programs. The EPC will promote such interactions to benefit Energy Attorneys (EAs), EPs, and the constituencies they serve. Second, members of the EPC will promote the partnership between EPs and EAs, as both need to understand the legal, financial, market and technology changes taking place in the energy field markets to better serve their clients. Through active participation in the EBA, EPs will understand better the situations in which legal advice is necessary to resolve matters before FERC, state commissions and the courts. Through their EBA contacts, EPs will also be able to bring the right attorneys to their client assignments, so that EAs can derive additional value from their EBA membership. In addition, with more EPs in the EBA, EAs will be more aware of, and have appreciation for, EP perspectives. This will benefit EAs by connecting them with EPs they can utilize as expert witnesses; to serve as market/financial advisors; and for consulting assignments, negotiations and more as their clients require. The EPC will promote this complementarity of interests through increasing EP engagement with EAs to enhance the value that all EBA members derive from their membership in the organization. Third, the EPC will conduct outreach to engage more EPs in the EBA. The EPC will work to bring in more EP perspectives, and to grow the ranks of the EPs in the EBA.