



Welcome!

I am thrilled to have this exciting opportunity to welcome AFCEA International, AFCEA Germantown & new AFCEA Energy chapter members to AFCEA Energy. Knowing that so many of you are as passionately involved in the Energy mission as I am, it is an honor to be serving this community as the new AFCEA Energy President.

Historically, the accomplishments and drive of the past leadership and organization have well-positioned AFCEA Germantown to build upon an established critical foundation as we stand up AFCEA Energy. We will continue to represent the values and charter of AFCEA International, and now, we are emerging to reflect those values and support the entire Energy community. We are building an organization that is truly common ground for industry and government without geographic bounds. AFCEA Energy will provide the opportunity to build relationships, identify needs and challenges, and explore technology solutions that will help support the diverse mission needs of the Energy community. We cannot do this alone or with a single voice. With that, I am asking for your support by volunteering to help make a difference.

Why The Name Change?

We all know that while important work for Energy is accomplished every day in the DC area, this work only accounts for a fraction of the Federal Energy community. Given the geographic, academic and multi-market topology of Energy, we will be creating a framework which allows the establishment of a collaborative environment through technology. This collaborative environment will embrace the direction of a more open and transparent government by leveraging technologies such as Web 2.0, and other tools. This technology-based approach will reduce traditional barriers and enable us to reach across the Energy community in way that was previously inaccessible.

The Energy mission has multiple facets and diversity is common. Our efforts will embrace those diversities and spectrum, from the science of developing renewable energy to technology that supports the much needed innovation for the future in areas such as Nuclear Stewardship, Infrastructure & Innovation, including National and International Security to Solar, Wind, Hydro, Organics, among others.

What's Next?

As a path forward, we will begin activities to create and execute the transformation of AFCEA Germantown to AFCEA Energy. I am pleased to announce that [Mike O'Neil](#) will stay on board as a member of the AFCEA Energy leadership team. I am equally pleased to announce that [Martha Przysucha](#) will be re-joining the AFCEA Energy leadership team as part of the "Past Presidents Committee." Martha and Mike will bring their talent and experience to help with this exciting new chapter transformation.

As the first appointments to the AFCEA Energy leadership team, [Juli Ballesteros](#), Director of Communications for Northrop Grumman's Civil Systems division, will lead all marketing, public relations, event coordination and communications activities as Executive Vice President and Chief Communications Officer for AFCEA Energy.

[Claudine Conway](#) the Manager of Federal Science for the Department of Energy and National Atmospheric and Space Administration at Dell will take the lead role of treasurer as AFCEA Energy, VP of Finance.

[Brian Chaney](#) President and CEO of i-VisionNET Incorporated, a minority owned small Information Technology Cyber Security Services 8(a) company, has accepted the role of AFCEA Energy, Chief Technology Officer and Executive Vice President of Media Technology.

If you are interested in volunteering your support and time to continue to foster collaboration and encourage greater government and industry partnerships in the energy community, please email me at president@afceaenergy.org.

Sincerely,

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