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IPAMS Becomes Western Energy Alliance *New Name to Better Reflect Membership, Represent Western Energy Industry*

(Denver) – The Independent Petroleum Association of Mountain States (IPAMS) Board of Directors has officially changed the organization’s name to Western Energy Alliance in an effort to better reflect its 430 member companies and their hundreds of thousands of employees across the West.

“We are a thirty-six year old organization that has built a national reputation by working constructively with government, academia and local communities,” said Marc W. Smith, Executive Director of Western Energy Alliance.

“We are an alliance of people and companies dedicated to responsible use and development of energy in the West,” continued Smith. “With a name that more accurately reflects our purpose and mission, our organization is better positioned to advocate for Western energy solutions that create jobs, strengthen the economy, and improve the environment,” continued Smith.

For more information on Western Energy Alliance, visit westernenergyalliance.org.

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About Western Energy Alliance

Western Energy Alliance, founded in 1974, is a non-profit trade association representing more than 430 independent natural gas and oil producers, service and supply companies, banking and financial institutions, industry consultants, and their 480,000 employees who are committed to environmentally responsible natural gas and oil development in the Intermountain West. More information on Western Energy Alliance and its members is available at www.westernenergyalliance.org.