

# **Empire State Energy Association, Inc.**

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New York's premier energy association, the Empire State Energy Association (ESEA), invites you to join us. As a member, in addition to having your business interests represented in the State of New York, you are also registered as a member of the Petroleum Marketers Association of America (PMAA). PMAA represents the interests of all types of petroleum dealers in Washington DC through its legislative efforts with all facets of the federal government.

**Join now and take advantage of our new membership special:** Regular membership at a flat rate of \$399 for one year, plus you will receive, at no additional charge, one complimentary registration for the Empire State Energy Conference.

Year after year, ESEA and PMAA lead the way in lobbying for the energy industry on a national, state and local level. With all the recent changes in the Senate and Congress, we are excited about the opportunities to positively affect policy for our industry. As a member of these associations you will have a strong voice on the policy agenda and receive the communications you need in matters that affect your business as they become available.

Your Governmental Relations & Legislative questions are handled by our Regulatory Council, Emilio Petroccione, Esq., and Rick Scanlon of Harter Secrest & Emery LLP. They are both well respected in Albany and throughout the state regarding all matters affecting our industry and our association members. The ESEA office can direct you to the appropriate member of our team for your questions or concerns with a single phone call or email request. Working together, we have the strength of over 300,000 employees statewide in the petroleum industry. Our members come from the heating oil, propane, motor fuel and petroleum services industries. This level of influence in Albany with our state legislators and executive appointees helps your issues get the attention they deserve as a member of ESEA. Emilio and Rick will make sure our members are aware of any legislation or regulations that are of concern before they happen, and seek your input when needed.

Membership will provide your company:

- Assistance and answers regarding governmental regulations
- Statewide training schedule
- Bi-weekly newsletter
- Annual ESEA magazine
- Membership directory and access to our online directory
- Member listing on our website at eseany.org
- New products and services relevant to our industry
- Opportunity to network with other industry participants and affiliates at all of our functions

Please feel free to contact the ESEA office, myself, or any ESEA Board member with any questions. We hope to count you among our members for 2018.

Regards,

Kris DeLair
Empire State Energy Association

## **Our Mission**

To promote the interests of the jobber, distributor, reseller, retailer, consignee and commission agent in motor fuels (other than service dealers), heating oil, petroleum products, solid fuels and other related products and services in the state of New York;

- To foster trade and commerce
- To discuss common problems
- To promote a more encouraging and friendly relationship
- To secure and disseminate to its members any and all legal and proprietary information which may be of interest or value to any member

Generally, to do all things intended to elevate the standards, dignity and reputation of the industry so as to better serve the public.



# **About ESEA**

Founded in 1941 as the Empire State Petroleum Association (ESPA), the **Empire State Energy Association** (ESEA) is a trade association representing 200 energy marketers throughout the state of New York. ESEA's members are an important part of New York's economy, and through the years we've evolved to continually meet the needs of those we represent and serve. We pledge to hold true to our steadfast commitment to providing key, timely information about developments affecting their marketplace, and to work effectively with government to give our members a unified voice in shaping policies that affect their businesses and industry at large.

# YOUR BUSINESS YOUR INDUSTRY YOUR VOICE



# Who We Represent

ESEA represents and serves the New York State energy industry. Petroleum marketers who join ESEA will connect with hundreds of industry colleagues who share similar concerns and who are working to create a more prosperous environment for independent petroleum marketers. Find your voice with ESEA and together we can protect our industry and economy.



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MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

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# Membership Benefits

- State and federal agency intervention on behalf of marketers
- ✓ Bi-weekly newsletter with latest industry and governmental updates
- **✓** ESEA annual magazine
- Membership in the Petroleum Marketers Association of America
- **✓ Educational Seminars**
- ✓ Credit collection services
- Member Directory includes independent marketers and support industry members throughout the state
- Exciting new e-Member Solutions member directory and online community
- ✓ Internet presence

Additionally, ESEA's leadership and staff maintain a vigilant watch over government initiatives to ensure that your interests are protected and your voice is heard. We are proactive on your behalf, introducing legislation to help marketers better compete and maintain profitability and the viability of their marketplace as a whole, including compliance, taxation, transportation and other important issues.

ESEA also enjoys close ties to great industry associations. ESEA is a member of the **Petroleum Marketers Association of America (PMAA)** and includes the **Upstate New York Energy Association (UNYEA)** and the **Hudson Valley Oil & Energy Council (HVOEC)**.

**ESEA unites marketers of heating and motor fuels in pursuit of greater opportunities** and a more prosperous environment for independent energy marketers in New York State. Membership in ESEA is a ticket to helpful benefits and the opportunity to influence legislation and regulations that affect your business.

ESEA exists for, and because of, energy marketers. Please join industry professionals across New York in supporting all the work we do on your behalf, and become a member today.



### **ESEA Works for You!**

New York State petroleum and energy companies operate in a tremendously competitive market among themselves and with those selling competing fuels. In addition, energy marketers are subject to a myriad of specific state laws and regulations administered by numerous agencies, as well as the regular legal and regulatory requirements associated with conducting business in New York, and additional regulation by federal agencies and local governments.

Given this extensive government oversight, the policies and actions of state government have a profound effect on marketers' operations. As an energy marketer, you deserve to have your voice heard on the issues that directly affect your business. The Empire State Energy Association provides that voice, through the services of experienced professionals who can understand and interact with each branch of state government.

The Association monitors, tracks, and provides input on hundreds of legislative bills and dozens of state regulatory proceedings annually. Examples of issues that the Association has addressed on behalf of its members are:

**Ultra-Low Sulfur Heating Oil.** ESEA advocated strongly for the law, passed in 2012, requiring the exclusive use of ultralow sulfur home heating oil statewide. Use of ULSHO reduces emissions, prolongs the life of heating equipment, requires less equipment maintenance, improves energy efficiency of heating systems, and, when combined with renewable biodiesel, results in the cleanest heating oil fuel in the country.

**Biodiesel Heating Oil Blends.** For years, the Association pushed for the enactment of a statewide biodiesel blend for heating oil to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and provide consumers with the most environmentally friendly home heating oil possible. While the measure had passed a number of times without enactment, a bill requiring a 5 percent biodiesel blend for home heating oil in the counties of Nassau, Suffolk, and Westchester starting July 1, 2018 (to complement New York City's B5 law which commenced October 1, 2017) was recently signed into law by the governor.

**Petroleum Bulk Storage Regulations.** The Association has provided comments, insight, and expertise to the Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) in its revision of the petroleum bulk storage regulations. ESEA's input on subjects such as product storage, operator training, red tagging of tanks, and other critical issues was invaluable for the industry, the Department, and ultimately the state's environment.

The New York State Energy Plan. ESEA has been a participant in the State Energy Plan Proceedings since the 1980s. As the state continues to adopt aggressive policies which disfavor fossil fuels in general and heating oil in particular, ESEA has pointed out the necessity of a diverse energy market for environmental, reliability, and security reasons; the benefits of a free competitive market, unconstrained by preferences of one fuel over another; and how advancements in ULSHO, biodiesel blends, and energy efficient heating equipment have environmentally improved the use of home heating oil. Running through all conversations is the reminder that home heating oil and propane marketers are integral small businesses that benefit and contribute to the general local and state economy.

**Motor Fuels.** Each year the state legislature seeks to impose countless restrictions upon motor fuel dealers and distributors. Each year, ESEA remains vigilant and works to convince the state that existing consumer protection laws and the free market are serving the public well.



# 2018

#### Request for Membership

Please complete the form below and include it with your payment in the enclosed envelope. We will send you a welcome packet, which includes several copies of our bi-weekly e-member letter, our annual magazine, and our member directory. Please be sure to include a valid email address.

#### **MEMBERSHIP REQUESTED**

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\* Membership special: First year regular membership at a flat rate of only \$399, includes registration for one company representative at the Empire State Energy Conference.

#### APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name of Firm	 	
Name of Individual	 	
Title	 	
Street Address		
City		
County	 	
Phone		
Fax	 	
Email		
BUSINESS INFORMATION		
Type of Business	 	
President	 	
Vice President	 	
Liaison to ESEA		
Advertising Director		
Marketing Director		

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Return your application in the supplied return envelope and mail to 250 Jordan Road, Troy, NY 12180.

Or you can apply online at ESEANY.org



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TYPE OF MARKETER					
Wholesaler:	☐ Motor Fuels ☐ Heating Fuels				
Retailer:	☐ Motor Fuels ☐ Heating Fuels				
Wholesale Terminal	☐ Wholesale Terminal Operator				
Operator:	Location of Terminals:				
PRODUCTS					
Products:	☐ Gasoline	☐ Diesel			
	□ #2 Distillate	☐ Kerosene			
	□ #4 Residual	□ #6 Residual			
	☐ Propane	□ Aviation			
NYS TAX DESIGNATION	ON				
Tax Designation:	☐ Terminal Operato	r			
	☐ Diesel Distributor				
	☐ Automotive Fuel Carrier				
	☐ Retailer of Heating Oil Only				
SPECIAL AREAS OF INTEREST					
Areas of Interest:	☐ State Legislation				
	☐ Federal Legislation				
	☐ Codes and Regulations				
	☐ Marketing				
	☐ Taxes				

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