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## AGENDA

**1:00 p.m. Wednesday, February 15, 2012**

Room 643 Legislative Office Building  
Raleigh, North Carolina

1. Call to order  
Senator Robert A. Rucho, Presiding
2. Introductory remarks by the Chair (*5 minutes*)  
Senator Robert A. Rucho
3. Adoption of the minutes from the January 18, 2012 Committee meeting
4. Exploration for and extraction of shale gas in North Carolina (*30 minutes*)  
Tom Hassenboehler, Vice President, Policy Development and Legislative Affairs  
America's Natural Gas Alliance
5. Environmental and natural resource issues related to the exploration for and extraction of shale gas in North Carolina (*30 minutes*)  
Joe Rudek, Senior Scientist  
Environmental Defense Fund  
  
Will Morgan, Director of Government Relations  
North Carolina Chapter of the Sierra Club
6. Recommendations concerning exploration for and extraction of shale gas in North Carolina (*15 minutes*)  
Robert B. Jackson, Nicholas Chair of Global Environmental Change  
Nicholas School of the Environment, Duke University

7. Landowner and property rights issues related to the exploration for and extraction of shale gas in North Carolina (*1 hour and 15 minutes*)  
Jordan Treackle, Mineral Rights Project Coordinator (*20 minutes*)  
Rural Advancement Foundation International-USA  
  
W. Daniel Amburn, Legislative Specialist (*7½ minutes*)  
North Carolina League of Municipalities  
  
Amy Bason, Legislative Counsel (*7½ minutes*)  
North Carolina Association of County Commissioners  
  
Jim Womack, Commissioner (*20 minutes*)  
Lee County Board of Commissioners  
  
Dan Butler, Property Owner (*10 minutes*)  
Lee County  
  
Ray Covington, Property Owner (*10 minutes*)  
Lee County
8. Economics of shale gas exploration and extraction in North Carolina (*30 minutes*)  
Sara Banaszak, Vice President and Chief Economist  
America's Natural Gas Alliance
9. Committee discussion and announcements
10. Adjourn

## **FUTURE MEETINGS:**

The Legislative Research Commission Energy Policy Issues Committee is tentatively scheduled to meet on the following dates. **This schedule is tentative and subject to adjustment.** For planning purposes, however, please reserve the following dates:

**Wednesday, March 21, 2012, at 1:00 p.m. in Room 643 of the Legislative Office Building**  
**Wednesday, April 18, 2012, at 1:00 p.m. in Room 544 of the Legislative Office Building**

Persons having questions about the Committee meetings or other matters related to the Committee may contact Jeff Hudson, Jennifer McGinnis, or Jennifer Mundt, Committee Staff, at (919) 733-2578, or Helen Long or Paul Rucho, Committee Clerks, at (919) 733-5655 or may visit the Committee's website at: <http://www.ncleg.net/gascripts/DocumentSites/browseDocSite.asp?nID=187>