



## International Visitor Leadership Program

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Global Energy Security  
September 24-27, 2014

TGA welcomes participants from: Armenia, Austria, Bulgaria, Cyprus, Estonia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Italy, Kosovo, Latvia, Lithuania, Netherlands, Poland, Serbia, Slovakia, Ukraine.

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Accommodations:  
Holiday Inn Tulsa – City Center  
17 West 7<sup>th</sup> Street  
Tulsa, OK 74119

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WELCOME TO TULSA! Please let us know if there is anything we can do to make your stay more comfortable.

Wednesday, September 24, 2014

8:10 p.m. You will arrive on US Airways Flight #4597 from Charlotte, and a bus from the 918 Shuttle Company will arrive to pick up the rest of the group from Tulsa International Airport and take you to the Holiday Inn City Center. We encourage you to refer to the *welcome guides* enclosed in your packets for ideas about events in Tulsa during your stay.

There is a Mexican restaurant called Elote located at 6<sup>th</sup> and Boston, and across the street from it is a restaurant called Mod's Crepes that serves a variety of crepes. Both of these restaurants are four blocks from the hotel. There is also a restaurant called the Vault owned by the owner of Elote, three blocks from the hotel at 620 South Cincinnati. Please feel free to ask at the front desk about other restaurants in the area.

If you are interested in exploring more of downtown Tulsa after you arrive, you might consider a visit to the Woody Guthrie Center, located approximate .8 miles from the hotel.

About the Woody Guthrie Center:

Location: 102 East Brady Street, Tulsa, OK 74103

The Woody Guthrie Center, which opened in April, is dedicated to celebrating Woody Guthrie's life and legacy and educating a new generation about his important role in American history. Woody Guthrie (1912-1967) was one of America's greatest folksingers and influential songwriters. Although born in Okemah, Oklahoma, Guthrie's true home was all of America – "from California to the New York island," to take a line from his most famous song, "This Land Is Your Land." Admission costs \$9.00.

Across the street from the Woody Guthrie center is the Guthrie Green, an urban garden and performance space in The Brady Arts District that features a stage, The Dock pavilion, tree-lined paths, shade structures, water features, and a large lawn. On Wednesdays between 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m., the Guthrie Green hosts live music performances and food trucks that sell lunch.

A block from the museum, at 111 North Main Street, is Laffa Medi-Eastern Restaurant and Bar. Laffa offers Middle Eastern and Mediterranean cuisine and is a popular new restaurant located in the Brady Arts District in downtown Tulsa. "Laffa" is the name of the bread found all over this region and the restaurant makes it fresh to order.

Thursday, September 25, 2014

NOTE: For your visit to the Covanta Tulsa Renewable energy plant this afternoon, please wear long pants, long sleeves and close toed shoes. The company will provide hard hats and safety glasses.

9:00 a.m. Please meet in the hotel lobby and a bus from the 918 Shuttle will take you to your first appointment.

Oklahoma Corporation Commission, 440 South Houston, Tulsa, OK 74103,  
Phone: (918) 581-2325.

Your first appointment will take place in a courtroom located in the Oklahoma State office building at 440 South Houston. You will need to walk through metal detectors after you enter the building. TGA will provide a room number for this meeting after your arrival in Tulsa.

- 9:30 a.m. You will meet with a Judge with the Oklahoma Corporation Commission, who will discuss oil and gas regulation in the State of Oklahoma. The Oklahoma Corporation Commission is a regulatory agency for the State of Oklahoma with emphasis on the Fuel, Oil and Gas, Public Utilities, and Transportation Industries.
- 11:30 a.m. Approximate time your meeting will end. You are free for lunch. Please consult the enclosed guides in your packets for ideas about where to have lunch, or ask Mr. Lieser for suggestions.
- 1:00 p.m. You should depart for your next appointment at this time. Directions: Covanta Tulsa Renewable Energy Facility, 2122 South Yukon Avenue, (862) 485-9015. From downtown Tulsa, go south to 21<sup>st</sup> Street and turn right onto 21<sup>st</sup> Street heading west. Follow 21<sup>st</sup> Street west across the Arkansas River, and past Southwest Boulevard. Go over the bridge and follow the curve around to a "T" at 21<sup>st</sup> Street. Turn left onto 21<sup>st</sup> Street and watch for a sign at Yukon Street on the left side of the road that says "Walter B. Hall Resource Recovery Facility." Turn left and watch for a driveway on the right side of the road that leads into the facility. Follow the red arrow that says "Visitors" to find the visitor parking.
- 1:30 p.m. You have a meeting with the Director of Business Management and Development with Covanta Energy, who will take you on a tour of the Covanta Tulsa Renewable Energy Facility. The Covanta Tulsa Energy-from-Waste Facility, also known as the Walter B. Hall Resource Recovery Facility, is Covanta's first Energy-from-Waste (EfW) project and began commercial operation in October 1986 with two units. A third unit was later added to meet growing demands of the residents and businesses in the Tulsa area.

Operating as Covanta Tulsa Renewable Energy, LLC, the facility processes 1,125 tons-per-day of solid waste, generating up to 240,000 pounds-per-hour of steam. The steam can be used to power a turbine generator to produce 16.8 megawatts of clean, renewable energy that is sold to Public Service Company of Oklahoma. However, on a more regular basis, the steam is sold to Holly Frontier, Inc. (an independent refiner), adjacent to the facility, and used in the refining process. This offsets the need for the refinery to use

fossil fuels to generate their own steam. Notably, Covanta Tulsa received the 2013 Bronze Excellence Award in the Waste-to-Energy (WTE) category from the Solid Waste Association of North America (SWANA.)

3:00 p.m. Approximate time your tour of the Covanta facility will end. You are free until this evening's reception.

*Optional - Gilcrease Museum*

If you are interested in Native American or western art and sculpture, I highly recommend a visit to Gilcrease Museum. Gilcrease has the world's largest collection of Native American art and art of the American West. You will see rare documents, maps, hundreds of sculptures and paintings, as well as Native American pottery, clothing and headdresses. Gilcrease is open from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. today. Admission costs \$8.00 per person, but TGA can arrange complimentary admission if you are interested in visiting.

4:30 p.m. Approximate time you will depart for the Holiday Inn in Tulsa.

5:30 p.m. TGA has invited its members to come and meet you this evening as part of an  
– 7:00 p.m. informal, pre-dinner reception in the Boulder Grill in the hotel. This will give Tulsans an opportunity to meet with you and learn more about your experience in the United States and in Tulsa. Light appetizers will be provided by the hotel for everyone, and TGA will treat you to drinks.

We ask that two of your delegation be prepared to speak for one to two minutes each about what you have learned as a result of your visit to the United States as part of the U.S. State Department International Visitor Leadership Program.

7:00 p.m. You are free for the rest of the evening.

Friday, September 25, 2014

NOTE: Your morning meeting is tentative. TGA will confirm it after your arrival in Tulsa.

9:30 a.m. Please meet in the hotel lobby and a bus from the 918 Shuttle company will take you to your first appointment. Directions: T.D. Williamson, 6801 South 65<sup>th</sup> West Avenue, (918) 859-5419.

From downtown Tulsa, get on Highway 244 heading west, and proceed west to the entrance to Interstate 44. Get on Highway 44 heading west and go west across the river. Exit onto Highway 66. Turn left heading south onto 65<sup>th</sup> West Avenue. Proceed south past 68<sup>th</sup> Street to the entrance to TD Williamson. Park in the visitors' parking area adjacent to the North entrance. Enter into the reception area and ask for Jim Sweat.

9:30 a.m. You will have a facility tour and give you an overview of pipeline integrity. T.D. Williamson (TDW) is the world's most recognized name in pipeline equipment and services. TDW delivers safe integrity solutions for onshore and offshore applications. Their experts provide hot tapping and plugging, pipeline cleaning, geometry and MFL inspection, pigging and non-tethered plugging pig technology services for any pressurized pipeline system, anywhere in the world.

11:30 a.m. Approximate time your meeting will end. You are free for lunch. Please consult the enclosed guides in your packets for ideas about where to have lunch, or ask Mr. Lieser for suggestions.

1:30 p.m. You should depart for your next appointment at this time.

Directions: Magellan Midstream Partners Terminal Tour, 2120 S 33rd West Ave, Tulsa, OK, (918) 645-8989.

From downtown Tulsa, please take 21<sup>st</sup> Street west across the Arkansas River and past the Covanta plant you visited yesterday. The terminal is located on the south (right) side of 21<sup>st</sup> Street and there is a visitor's parking lot across the street from the main entrance of the terminal.

2:00 p.m. You will meet with a representative of Magellan Midstream Partners who will discuss transportation of oil and gas and give a tour of the Tulsa petroleum distribution terminal. Magellan owns the longest refined petroleum products pipeline system in the country, and can tap into nearly 50% of the nation's refining capacity and store more than 90 million barrels of petroleum products such as gasoline, diesel fuel and crude.

3:30 p.m. You should depart for your next appointment at this time.

Directions: North Campus, University of Tulsa, Drill Building, Room 107, 2450 East Marshall Avenue, (918) 671-9498.

From Magellan, retrace your route along 21<sup>st</sup> Street to Southwest Boulevard and turn right. Turn right again onto the entrance ramp for Interstate 244 east. Follow Interstate 244 east to the exit for Utica/Lewis and exit there. After you exit, travel approximately ½ mile past the stop light on neighborhood streets to Lewis. Turn left onto Lewis heading north. Go north approximately one mile. On the right side of the road is the Job Corps Facility. At the north end of their property, turn right onto Marshall Avenue and go approximately one block. You will see a sign for North Campus Research Facility. Turn right at the sign and come all the way down the drive to the drill building. The drill building is the two-story building at the end of the driveway.

- 3:45 p.m. You will visit the Tulsa University Drilling Research Project (TUDRP). The TU McDougall School of Petroleum Engineering enjoys an excellent national and international reputation. While teaching a balanced petroleum engineering curriculum is our major goal, the school also is committed to discovery of new concepts and technologies in the areas of drilling, production, and reservoir engineering utilizing unique experimental facilities.
- 5:15 p.m. Approximate time your meeting will end. The bus will take you back to the hotel to change clothes before this evening's home hospitality. The dress for this evening's dinner is casual.
- 6:30 p.m. The 918 Shuttle bus will depart the hotel to take you to a home hospitality dinner.
- 7:00 p.m. Leslie Melvin and her husband Steve Scott will host you for dinner this evening. Leslie is Vice-Chair of the Tulsa Global Alliance Board of Directors for International Visitors and works for Tulsa Technology Center as a curriculum writer and developer. Steve is the Chief Information Officer for ISTI Plant Services in Tulsa.
- 9:30 p.m. Approximate time the 918 Shuttle bus will take you back to the hotel.

Saturday, September 27, 2014

- 8:45 a.m. You will depart for Tulsa International Airport in one of the hotel's shuttles.  
11:08 a.m. You will depart Tulsa on United Airlines flight #4184 to Houston.

IT HAS BEEN A PLEASURE ORGANIZING THIS PROGRAM FOR YOU. I HOPE YOU HAVE ENJOYED TULSA. PLEASE COME BACK IF YOU HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY!