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Gene Beck is the Executive Director of the Green NRG Institute in Orange, California. Green NRG is a non-profit organization that has a focus of providing educational training on the business side of energy in the U.S. The organization does this by providing certification and classroom training, events, conferences, networking and career center support related to business issues facing professionals who work in the energy sector.

Mr. Beck is a Certified Energy Manager (CEM) and Certified Lease Professional (CLP). He has served on five environmental advisory boards and 12 compliance task forces at the South Coast Air Quality Management District in Southern California, two small business environmental and small business financing task forces in Sacramento for the State of California and several environmental task forces with the EPA in Washington, D.C. Additionally, he has been a member of the Southern California Association of Governments Energy Advisory Board, past President and executive director of the Southern California chapter of the Association of Energy Engineers (AEE), and executive board member of the Orange County Engineering Council. He was the AEE annual conference chairman in 2008 on AB32 Legislation and Implementation and the Co-chairman of the 2009 AEE annual conference on Energy Solutions: CleanTech and Renewable Energy.

He recently authored two books. *Grid Parity: The Art of Financing Renewable Energy in the U.S.* and a second book, *Energy and Sustainability Glossary*. Both books are published by Fairmont Press. Mr. Beck is also a commercial arbitrator with the American Arbitration Association and was a visiting professor of environmental policies and regulations at Cal State University Fullerton. He is a past director of the United Association of Equipment Lessors, annual conference chairman and chairman of numerous committees of that association. He also sat on the advisory board of numerous bank and thrift and loan institutions in Southern California.

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