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Manko, Gold, Katcher & Fox, LLP, Sponsors the PENJERDEL Tri-State Shale Gas Business Summit

**May 30, 2013
8 to 11:30 a.m.**

Philadelphia, PA (May 15, 2013) – The environmental, energy and land use law and litigation firm of Manko, Gold, Katcher & Fox (MGKF) is a Gold Sponsor of the Tri-State Shale Gas Business Summit taking place on Thursday, May 30 from 8 to 11:30 a.m. at the National Constitution Center in Philadelphia. This program was conceived by the PENJERDEL Council and is co-hosted by the Marcellus Shale Coalition (MSC). Bruce S. Katcher, one of the founding partners of MGKF, is chair of the PENJERDEL Council Environment and Energy Committee and has worked closely with PENJERDEL Executive Director Andrew Warren and the program panelists to put together a unique program.

Each speaker will talk about his or her business with particular emphasis on how shale gas development has created business opportunities that contribute to overall economic development and job creation for business in the tri-state area. Three panels will focus on the following areas:

- Pennsylvania Shale Gas Facts and Figures
- Economic Opportunities: Natural Gas and Associated Product Users/Distributors

- Economic Opportunities: Suppliers of Goods and Services to the Natural Gas Production and Transmission Sectors

The program will be introduced by Bruce Katcher. The first panel, moderated by Shari Williams of the MSC, will discuss production rates, associated products and their impact on businesses in the tri-state area and present a general discussion on how the supply of natural gas and associated products create economic opportunities for the PENJERDEL region. Speakers include Steve Forde of the MSC and Will Freeman of Chesapeake Energy.

The second panel will be moderated by MGKF partner Marc Gold and will feature speakers from three companies that are either distributing, using or transporting natural gas—Craig White, President of Philadelphia Gas Works, Phil Rinaldi, President of Philadelphia Energy Solutions and Rich Billman, Manager Business Development, Sunoco Logistics. They will share how shale gas exploration has generated business opportunities for their respective companies.

The final panel, moderated by Matt Marquardt of Urban Engineers, will be led by three companies whose business includes a substantial element of providing goods and services to other companies directly involved in shale gas exploration, extraction or transportation. Karl Kyriss, Executive V.P. of Aqua America, Fred Slack, V.P. of Schramm Inc. and Angelo Waters, Environmental Practice Leader at Urban Engineers will also emphasize their ties to the Philadelphia region and how shale gas development presents opportunities to Philadelphia area businesses.

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