

James T. Hackett

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JIM HACKETT is Executive Chairman of the Board and former CEO of Anadarko Petroleum Corporation, one of the world's largest independent oil and natural gas exploration and production companies.

Before joining Anadarko, Hackett served as President and Chief Operating Officer of Devon Energy Corporation following its merger with Ocean Energy, where he served as Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer. Ocean Energy was itself a result of a merger with Seagull Energy Corporation, where he was Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and President. He joined Seagull from Duke Energy, where he led its Energy Services Division as President. Prior to that, he was Executive Vice President of Pan Energy when the company merged with Duke Power to create Duke Energy. His energy experience includes positions in engineering, finance and marketing with NGC Corp., Burlington Resources and Amoco Oil Co.

Hackett is Chairman of the National Petroleum Council and serves on numerous industry Boards. He is a member of the Society of Petroleum Engineers and the Trilateral Commission. He is a Director of Bunge Ltd., Cameron Int'l., and Fluor Corporation (Fortune 500 companies) and is the former Chairman of the Board of the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas. He serves as Vice Chairman of the Baylor College of Medicine, and is on the Boards of the Welch Foundation for Chemistry. He is a Board Member and adjunct professor at Rice University.

Hackett grew up in Winnetka and lives in Houston. He holds a Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Illinois and a Master of Business Administration from Harvard University. He and his wife Maureen (a fellow '72 NTE grad from Wilmette) have four children. He played basketball, lacrosse, and indoor track at NTE, studied Russian, and was President of his sophomore class. Helen Todd and Norman Frye (both English teachers) helped change his life.

