

Final Report

**Minister Iris Evans' Mission to New Orleans, Louisiana
American Legislative Exchange Council
August 2-6, 2011**

Overview:

The Honourable Iris Evans, Minister of International and Intergovernmental Relations, attended the American Legislative Exchange Council annual meeting held in New Orleans, Louisiana, August 2-6, 2011.

Mission Objectives:

The mission was successful in meeting a number of objectives:

1. Highlighted to U.S. state legislators Alberta's achievements in the energy sector. Profiled the province as a secure, reliable and responsible energy producer.
2. Established contact with numerous U.S. state legislators and corporate representatives briefing them on Alberta-U.S. relations, and providing information and context around the Keystone XL Pipeline proposal.
3. Met with influential Louisianans and profiled Alberta as a desirable partner for trade and investment and a strong supporter of greater economic co-operation with the U.S.
4. Promoted strengthened Alberta-U.S. ties in a broad range of interests.

Results:

The mission provided an opportunity to network with U.S. legislators, business leaders and policy influencers and to assure them of Alberta's continued commitment and capacity to serve as a secure, reliable, environmentally responsible supplier of energy to the U.S.

Delegation:

Honourable Iris Evans
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