

Committee on Energy and Commerce
U.S. House of Representatives
Witness Disclosure Requirement - "Truth in Testimony"
Required by House Rule XI, Clause 2(g)(5)

1. Your Name: <i>Monica Martinez</i>		
2. Your Title: <i>President</i>		
3. The Entity(ies) You are Representing: <i>Hispanics in Energy</i>		
4. Are you testifying on behalf of the Federal, or a State or local government entity?	Yes	No <i>X</i>
5. Please list any Federal grants or contracts, or contracts or payments originating with a foreign government, that you or the entity(ies) you represent have received on or after January 1, 2013. Only grants, contracts, or payments related to the subject matter of the hearing must be listed. <i>_____</i>		
6. Please attach your curriculum vitae to your completed disclosure form.		

Signature



Date: *4/21/15*

Monica Martinez

Ms. Martinez is President and co-founder of Hispanics in Energy, a non-partisan, non-profit organization dedicated to providing a platform for Hispanics and energy. Hispanics in Energy promotes economic development in energy through career awareness and supplier engagement. In addition, it focuses on promoting science, technology, engineering and science amongst students. It also supports the greater development of energy education and energy literacy, including deepening the knowledge of the Hispanic community on relevant policy issues. In her role, she is responsible for outreach, development, and strategy to support the relatively new organization into a sustainable entity.

In addition to her work with Hispanics in Energy, Ms. Martinez serves as principal of Ruben Strategy Group LLC. There she serves as a key strategic regulatory and governmental affairs consultant. With Ruben Strategy, she works with major national associations, non-profits, coalitions, and energy related businesses to help develop their markets, create strategic pathways to solutions, and grow their organizations.

Previously, Ms. Martinez served for over 6 years as a Michigan Public Service Commissioner, with responsibility in overseeing the regulation of electric and natural gas utilities. During her tenure she led new consumer education and awareness efforts promoting low-income and senior programs, energy affordability via efficiency, and the value of generation resource diversity. She was also responsible for drafting Michigan's 2008 energy laws and oversaw their implementation while on the Commission. She was elected by her fellow state commissioners as the President of the Organization of MISO States and also represented them as President of the Mid America Regulatory Conference. Ms. Martinez's experience in state government also includes work in the executive and legislative branches, serving as Deputy Legislative Director to Michigan's former Governor and as a senior policy advisor on energy issues to the Michigan Senate.

Ms. Martinez earned a Bachelors in Economics and Political Science and a Masters in Business Administration, with distinction, both from the University of Michigan.

When she is not golfing or playing sports with her toddler son, infant daughter, and husband, she devotes her spare time as lector at St. Casimir Parish and Sustainability Chairperson and board member of the Lansing Southside Community Kitchen.