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Andy Black is President and CEO of AOPL, a Washington, DC-based trade association representing more than fifty pipeline companies and 97 percent of the liquid pipeline industry. AOPL members deliver crude oil, refined products like gasoline, diesel fuel and jet fuel, and natural gas liquids such as propane and ethane. American consumers and workers use products carried by liquid pipelines every day in their daily lives.

Andy promotes AOPL's mission of responsible government policies, safety excellence, and public support for liquid pipelines. He works with company CEOs, presidents, vice presidents, senior government relations, legal, operations, security personnel, and others to develop and advocate industry positions at federal and state agencies, legislatures, and the executive branch. He works with pipeline operators to advance pipeline safety and expand pipeline capacity to better serve Americans.

Andy has pursued AOPL's legislative and regulatory agenda with Congressional committee leadership, FERC Commissioners, DOT PHMSA Administrators and Deputies, and their staffs. He has testified before Congressional committees on pipeline safety legislation, safety activities, pipeline expansion, border-crossing approvals, security, and propane supply issues.

Andy previously served in a government relations position in Washington for the El Paso Corporation, a natural gas pipeline company, oil and natural gas producer, and LNG terminal operator. Prior to that, he was Director of the Office of External Affairs for the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) for FERC Chairman Joe Kelliher. He earlier worked on Capitol Hill for thirteen years as a staff member of the House Committee on Energy and Commerce and for Congressman Joe Barton of Texas.

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