

COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES
113th Congress Disclosure Form
As required by and provided for in House Rule XI, clause 2(g) and
the Rules of the Committee on Natural Resources

Oversight hearing on *“The Past, Present and Future of the Federal Helium Program”*
And a legislative hearing on:

HR 527 (Hastings, R-WA, Markey, D-MA, Flores R-TX and Holt D-NJ),
“Responsible Helium Administration and Stewardship Act.”

February 14, 2013

For Individuals:

1. Name:
2. Address:
3. Email Address:
4. Phone Number:

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For Witnesses Representing Organizations:

1. Name:
Nicholas Haines
2. Name of Organization(s) You are Representing at the Hearing:
Linde Global Helium, a Division of Linde North America LLC.
3. Business Address:
575 Mountain Ave
Murray Hill, NJ 07974
4. Business Email Address: [Information redacted for privacy]
5. Business Phone Number:
[information redacted for privacy] (w), (c) [information redacted for privacy]

For all Witnesses

Name/Organization: Nicholas Haines/Linde Global Helium

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a. Any training or educational certificates, diplomas or degrees or other educational experiences that are relevant to your qualifications to testify on or knowledge of the subject matter of the hearing.

Bachelor of Science in Chemical Engineering
Masters in Business Administration

b. Any professional licenses, certifications, or affiliations held that are relevant to your qualifications to testify on or knowledge of the subject matter of the hearing.

c. Any employment, occupation, ownership in a firm or business, or work-related experiences that relate to your qualifications to testify on or knowledge of the subject matter of the hearing.

Employed by Linde (and previously BOC) for in excess of 15 years working in the areas of Specialty, Medical Gases and Helium

d. Any federal grants or contracts (including subgrants or subcontracts) from the Department of the Interior (and /or other agencies invited) that you have received in the current year and previous four years, including the source and the amount of each grant or contract.

None

e. A list of all lawsuits or petitions filed by you against the federal government in the current year and the previous four years, giving the name of the lawsuit or petition, the subject matter of the lawsuit or petition, and the federal statutes under which the lawsuits or petitions were filed.

None

f. A list of all federal lawsuits filed against you by the federal government in the current year and the previous four years, giving the name of the lawsuit, the subject matter of the lawsuit, and the federal statutes under which the lawsuits were filed.

None

g. Any other information you wish to convey that might aid the Members of the Committee to better understand the context of your testimony.

Linde is a fully integrated supplier of Helium and a leading participant in the Global Helium industry, with an investment in hundreds of millions of Dollars in infrastructure and assets required to produce, distribute and sell helium in both gaseous and liquid form.

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h. Any offices, elected positions, or representational capacity held in the organization(s) on whose behalf you are testifying.

Head of Helium Source Development, Linde Global Helium

i. Any federal grants or contracts (including subgrants or subcontracts) from the *Department of the Interior (and /or other agencies invited)* that were received in the current year and previous four years by the organization(s) you represent at this hearing, including the source and amount of each grant or contract for each of the organization(s).

1. Helium Storage Contract (No: 1995-3249)
2. Linde is a shareholder in Cliffside Refiners Limited Partnership (CRLP), and Cliffside Helium LLC, which have contracts with the Department of the Interior. CRLP owns the helium enrichment unit at Cliffside field, outside Amarillo, TX
3. Linde further supplies Helium to a number of Federal agencies, including Defense Logistics Agency, the Air Force, NASA and NIST, as part of the Federal in Kind Helium program in contracts.
4. While Linde has not received any grants from the Department of the Interior in the last five years, Linde is the recipient of a \$15 million grant from the Department of Energy to demonstrate technology to capture carbon from coal-fired power plants. This grant was announced in 2011.

j. A list of all lawsuits or petitions filed by the organization(s) you represent at the hearing against the federal government in the current year and the previous four years, giving the name of the lawsuit or petition, the subject matter of the lawsuit or petition, and the federal statutes under which the lawsuits or petitions were filed for each of the organization(s).

Linde filed a complaint before the US Civilian Board of Contract Appeals in June 2010 against the BLM. The caption is Linde Global Helium, a division of Linde Gas North America LLC, v. United States Department of Interior, Bureau of Land Management. Linde's complaint challenged the BLM's helium allocation measures during shortages. Linde's complaint was received by the CBCA and filed as Case No. 2028. The complaint was brought under the Helium Act, 50 USC sec. 167 et seq. The settlement agreement was entered into on November 18, 2010, and was resolved when the BLM agreed to modify their allocation method.

k. A list of all federal lawsuits filed against the organization(s) you represent at the hearing by the federal government in the current year and the previous four years, giving the name of the lawsuit, the subject matter of the lawsuit, and the federal statutes under which the lawsuits were filed.

None.

1. For tax-exempt organizations and non-profit organizations, copies of the three most recent public IRS Form 990s (including Form 990-PF, Form 990-N, and Form 990-EZ) for each of the organization(s) you represent at the hearing (not including any contributor names and addresses or any information withheld from public inspection by the Secretary of the Treasury under 26 U.S.C. 6104)). n/a