

**NATIONAL ENERGY POLICY INSTITUTE (NEPI) AND  
THE UNIVERSITY OF TULSA (TU)  
LETTER OF INTENT**

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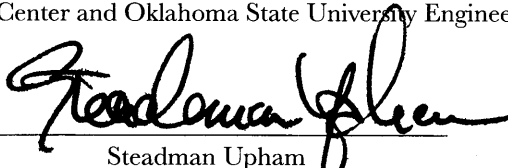
NEPI is a non-profit foundation dedicated to developing recommendations for a national energy policy which reduces the dependence upon imported oil and the emissions of greenhouse gases. A corollary objective is to position Tulsa as research center of new energy technologies and policy options to stimulate the formation of companies in Oklahoma, and elsewhere, which offer high quality employment opportunities.

TU is a private independent doctoral-degree-granting institution of higher education that holds as core values excellence in scholarship, dedication to free inquiry, integrity of character and commitment to humanity.

It will be mutually beneficial and in the public interest to jointly engage in endeavors in accordance with the above stated purposes of each organization.

To initiate this collaboration in 2009, TU and NEPI intend to develop specific work plans in the following areas:

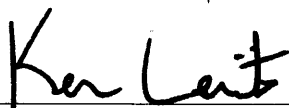
1. Site NEPI headquarters on the TU campus.
2. NEPI is currently conducting a project with Washington D.C. based Resources for the Future (RFF) to score and rank strategies by cost of reducing imported oil and greenhouse gas emissions. TU will look to areas of expertise that it can offer for contract to participate in this investigation.
3. Conduct seminars or conferences on subjects derived from the RFF study.
4. Identify and pursue through such TU concentrations of expertise as the College of Engineering and Natural Sciences, the Collins College of Business, and Henry Kendall College of Arts and Sciences, the College of Law and the Petroleum Abstract Service the opportunities for economic benefits in job and business creation.
5. Define and develop training programs that support the job creating efforts initiated by the TU/NEPI Agreement.
6. Pursue the new energy business incubator concept.
7. Create a visiting scholars program to bring recognized experts in areas identified in the NEPI/RFF study to TU for instructional and research purposes.
8. Identify ways to incorporate direct education and hiring opportunities for TU students in NEPI projects.
9. Involve TU faculty who have appropriate expertise to become authors or peer reviewers for the NEPI/RFF project.
10. Both NEPI and TU will individually and jointly work to draw from and coordinate with other sources of academic, research, and policy expertise in Oklahoma such as University of Oklahoma Sarkeys Energy Center and Oklahoma State University Engineering School.

  
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