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PHILADELPHIA ENERGY SOLUTIONS AND THE CARLYLE GROUP NORTHEAST US ENVIRONMENTAL ANGELS!

It is always true that some organizations are very forward thinking. Given the very large and fundamental changes in energy exploration and production in Pennsylvania, some companies can see the future, and seize opportunities, while others fade away. We at RT think that the Carlyle Group deserves an award of environmental excellence for "fracking", which produces oil and gas in abundance results in oil refined using existing Pennsylvania infrastructure. Carlyle was a key party which facilitated Philadelphia refineries, abandoned by Arco and Sunoco, productive agriculture making the US Northeast more competitive.

We provide excerpts from a recent Philadelphia Inquirer article, as follows:

Carlyle Group would rank among Pennsylvania's dozen biggest private employers, next to Vanguard Group or Comcast Corp., if all 12,000 full-time workers at the companies that Carlyle owns in the state were counted together.

"We had more, before we sold Dunkin' Donuts and Hertz Rent-a-Car," said Carlyle's David Marchick, the onetime Clinton administration lawyer who is now the McLean Va.-based buyout firm's boss lobbyist.

More than 800 employees will work at Philadelphia Energy Solutions the South Philly oil refinery Carlyle took over last year after Sunoco wanted to shut it down. So will 330 at Axalta Coating Systems, the DuPont Co. car-paint spin-off that Carlyle bought for \$5 billion in 2012 and is moving to Philadelphia.

Carlyle has worked to shine its image since the early 2000s, when activists smeared the firm for its military-industrial investments, past ties to the family of Presidents George H.W. Bush and George W. Bush and other Washington insiders, and concerns it would use its connections to crush labor unions.

Since then Carlyle has sharpened its focus on energy, civilian manufacturing, and health-related investments, especially in Pennsylvania and Ohio, union and nonunion companies alike. Marchick cited four reasons Carlyle was growing in Pennsylvania: the capital needs of the state's powerhouse industries, which the firm expects to make for profitable long-term investments; its pool of skilled workers and professionals, especially around Philadelphia; its proximity to East Coast ports and airports, and New York financiers; and the fact that "your Gov. Corbett and Mayor Nutter have been incredibly open and accessible, and easy to work with."

Friendly elected officials are a help, for example in raising taxpayer capital like the \$25 million Pennsylvania gave Carlyle to reopen the Sunoco complex - money Carlyle says it is matching, \$10 to \$1.

They are so helpful with the permits and approvals factories and energy plants need to prosper. Says Marchick: "The environment and the tone that politicians take send a strong message." He says agencies worked quickly to help Carlyle win approvals for \$70 million in rail improvements so it could ship western oil to South Philly on old rights-of-way that needed upgrading. "Things have gone pretty well for us in Philadelphia," he added.

Don't high city taxes turn off business? "Low taxes are better than high taxes," he agreed. "But we don't make location decisions based solely on taxes. Ultimately, the most important thing is having the right people."

What's next? Maybe a pipeline down the Delaware River. Maybe a capital-starved specialty-parts maker in need

of a buyer. Maybe a new port project. Corbett's aides are "always on the phone" suggesting firms and industries for Carlyle to buy or develop, Marchick said.

Those who watch the global environmental situation know that using existing infrastructure reduces emissions & minimizes environmental impacts. The Philadelphia region, long known as an oil refining center, but relying on n East crude for several generations, now is resurging with major environmental gains with lower cost energy business consumers.

Historic rail infrastructure is also playing a role to provide crude energy supply efficiency, and Arco's histo distribution refined product pipelines, are combining to reduce energy prices.

As many Marcellus Shale wells in Southwest Pennsylvania are "wet" wells, crude oil comes across Pennsylvania, & there are major air pollution gains as fewer and fewer tankers carrying oil have to cross the Atlantic Ocean!

Delta Airlines is taking advantage of the situation - much of its jet fuel comes from the Monroe Energy refinery, loca just southwest of Philadelphia. There are substantial cost savings and more efficiently produced energy brought market.

RT salutes the Carlyle Group and all of those who are working to lower energy costs and reduce emissions maximizing use of existing and historic infrastructure; and now - even using locally available energy sources. We, 1 have an expanded PA energy role - evaluating pipeline routes to bring natural gas to market in Southwestern PA. 7 results of these efforts benefit the environment and our citizens, strengthening our region, and bringing a clea environment and more promising future to all of us!

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