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Experienced Consultant/Executive with a 37-year history in setting-up, and operating, managing risk and financing midstream, downstream and trading energy companies, having developed an all around expertise in both domestic and international areas, including derivatives, risk management and organizational issues.

EXPERIENCE:

SENIOR ENERGY ADVISOR TO UT AUSTIN, CENTER FOR ENERGY ECONOMICS AND OTHER CONSULTING, Houston, TX, 2013-Present

- Long term assignment for Center for Energy Economics, University of Texas at Austin focusing on risk management and midstream including co-author on articles and chapter in with Dr. Michot-Foss "Managing Energy Price Risk". In addition, representing CEE as speaker or seminars leader at energy conferences on energy derivatives, hedging and other topics.
- 2-Year assignment for startup crude oil/refined products company, MidCon Gathering as CFO; responsible for all treasury functions as well as setting up and staffing accounting and back office systems and departments for both crude oil and refined products including sourcing and closing a \$30MM working capital facility with large international bank
- Various consulting assignments: due diligence for a midstream acquisition; futures project for large energy trading house, risk management guides, etc.

SUN COAST RESOURCES, INC., Houston, TX, (SCRI) 2005-2012 Vice President-Finance

- Responsible for all financing, treasury, risk management and credit operations of this \$1.5 billion privately held firm. Also Implemented SAP and managed SCRI's \$70 million plus insurance program
- Set-up and managed SCRI's risk management program to hedge diesel fuel
- Oversaw credit department and handled all complex credit relationships and served as chairperson of unsecured creditor committees of large bankruptcies
- Developed and maintained all bank relationships as well as financing of real estate, equipment finance, M&A activity and general working capital for a total of approximately \$300 million to support growth strategy of SCRI
- Proven problem solver: charged with special confidential projects such as repatriation of \$2 million stolen from the firm, heading litigation teams with outside counsel and managing the orderly liquidation and closure of a division with no financial impact to company

PRUDENTIAL FINANCIAL DERIVATIVES, Houston, Texas, 2002-2005 Vice President

- Opened Houston office to represent the firm in the energy capital and marketed its OTC and Exchange traded products outside New York area.
- Provided assistance for existing energy commodity trading customers.

NEW YORK MERCANTILE EXCHANGE, Houston, Texas, (NYMEX), 1997-2002 Director, Houston office

- Managed staff of 4 professionals and operations of the Houston office of this major commodity exchange in the energy capital, including all budgeting.
- Assisted and educated companies with their NYMEX interaction requiring in depth understanding of the functioning of the commodity exchange
- Represented NYMEX internationally as part of marketing function

BAYOIL (USA), INC., Houston, Texas, 1992-1997

Treasurer

- Managed bank relations, finance, treasury and insurance of this international energy trading firm.
- Handled back office for company's physical and financing trading operations including NYMEX
- Responsible for corporate governance of the firm's Swiss Branch and working with European Directors
- Financed steel and agricultural shipments to Eastern Europe for an affiliate.

TRANSWORLD OIL (USA) INC., Houston, Texas, (TWO) 1983-1990 Treasurer

- Finance Department Manager responsible for cash management, risk management, bank relations, treasury, credit, collections and contracts
- Developed extensive knowledge of documentary and standby letters of credit, letters of indemnity, and documentation required for international and domestic trade finance
- Actively involved in the acquisition of the ARCO refinery and distribution network, and moved to be Senior Executive of the US transition team in Philadelphia.

BANQUE PARIBAS, Houston, Texas, 1980-1983

Credit department executive financing transactional energy companies through documentary credits. Monitored the Houston subsidiary's loan book.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- Functional in French
- Held Series 3 and 30 broking licenses while employed with Prudential
- BBA with highest honors from University of Texas at Austin (Phi Beta Kappa)
- Past member of the Board of Directors of International Energy Credit Association (IECA)