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Top Appalachian Producers Take the Stage at the 2017 DUG East Conference

HOUSTON (May 25, 2017) – With bigger wells and more pipeline capacity, activity is picking up in the Marcellus and Utica shale plays, shining a light on the regions' exceptionalism and prospects for serious growth. Speakers at **DUG East** discuss these trends in North America's top natural gas-producing stars. Executives from leading producers, including **Antero Resources**, **Occidental**, **Rice Energy**, and **Consol Energy**, will join top industry experts targeted presentations at the [DUG East](#) conference and exhibition in Pittsburgh, **June 20-22**.

More than [20 executive-level speakers](#), over **1,000 industry professionals** and **100+ exhibitors** will gather in the **David L. Lawrence Convention Center** this June. They will gain the latest updates on midstream infrastructure, hear **forecasts** from the industry's best and visit exhibits from top technology providers.

According to Bloomberg's recent article, [U.S. Shale Investment Is Back on the Upswing](#), over **\$7.25 billion in deals were completed in the Marcellus in 2016**, including **13 individual deals that surpassed \$100 million** each. Increased M&A activity means more efficiency, more output and lower prices in the Appalachian regions. This year's [Technology Showcase](#) brings the **latest advancements in completions, proppant, and water management technologies** with case study examples from leading companies.

"The Appalachian plays are in the limelight of activity as producers have mastered efficient production strategies and are expanding to maximize profitability," Leslie Haines, conference host and executive editor-at-large for *Oil and Gas Investor* said. "The keynote presentations at this year's **DUG East** conference will give insights to recent successes and forward-looking strategies, offering valuable market intelligence to all who attend."

This year's **DUG East** conference is packed with keynote presentations, panels, spotlights and more, led by a series of featured speakers, including:

- **Benjamin Hulburt**, *Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer, Eclipse Resources*
- **Tony Duran**, *Chief Information Officer, Rice Energy Inc.*
- **Diana M. Duran**, *Geological Advisor, Occidental Petroleum Corporation*
- **Rodney Gray**, *CEO, Inflection Energy LLC*
- **David Dell'Osso**, *Vice President and General Manager, Southwestern Energy Corporation*
- **Andrea Passman**, *Vice President of Development, Consol Energy*

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