

## News release

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### **Dale Nijoka to lead Global Oil & Gas practice at Ernst & Young**

*SINGAPORE, 20 AUGUST 2009* – Ernst & Young has appointed Dale Nijoka to lead its Global Oil & Gas practice. Nijoka has spent more than 28 years working within the Oil & Gas sector at Ernst & Young with a wide range of international clients. He has particular experience in coordinating large multinational internal and external audit functions, advising on merger and acquisition accounting, SEC reporting matters and offering documents, and assisting in debt restructuring and corporate reorganizations. He is the global coordinating partner for ConocoPhillips, and serves as an independent reviewing partner and senior advisory leader for several other major oil and gas clients.

Ernst & Young is a leading advisor to the oil and gas sector, providing a wide range of services to the ten largest oil and gas companies in the 2009 Fortune 500, including serving as auditor to three.

James S. Turley, Global CEO and Chairman of Ernst & Young, said: “Dale is the right person to build on our market-leading capabilities in the oil and gas sector. He brings a depth of knowledge and experience based on three decades of working with many of our largest global clients and is a proven leader in his field. As this sector evolves and national oil companies increasingly emerge as key players, we continue to invest heavily in our Oil & Gas practice, particularly in the Middle East – we recently announced the move of our global Oil & Gas Center to Bahrain. We also have Center locations in Houston, London, Moscow and Shanghai.”

Nijoka added: “Oil and gas companies demand advisors that deliver real value and this is particularly true during tough economic times. They want organizations that have depth of industry knowledge, that have the best people and that can respond swiftly to changes in their businesses – whether strategic, tactical or geographic. I look forward to working with our 7,500 Oil & Gas professionals around the world to continue to meet those challenges.”

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