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## Navigating Climate Reporting and Building Sustainability –The Risks and Opportunities

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**Opening Remarks: Clint Vince**, Chair of the US Energy practice, Co-chair of the Global Transportation & Infrastructure sector for the US Region, and Co-chair of the Global Smart Cities & Connected Communities Think Tank, Dentons




**Gail A. Lione**  
Senior Counsel,  
Dentons

*Moderator*

Gail is a senior counsel at Dentons, where she draws upon her extensive experience as a former general counsel and as an active board member to advise executive leadership and boards of public and private companies about business strategy, innovation, risk management and ESG (environment, social/sustainability and governance). She currently serves as a Fellow of the ESG Center of The Conference Board and is an adjunct professor at Georgetown University, teaching an advanced course on strategically managing intellectual property. In 2015, she was elected as a member of the American Law Institute.

Gail is the founding co-chair of the Firm's US ESG Advisory Team and a member of the Global ESG Steering Group. She also co-chairs the ESG pillar for the Firm's Global Smart Cities and Connected Communities Think Tank. A longtime advocate for diversity, equity and inclusion in the workplace, Gail recently completed a term on Denton's Global Inclusion and Diversity Leadership Council and a five-year term as co-chair of Dentons' US Diversity and Inclusion Committee.

Gail is a sought-after board member for corporations. She currently serves on the board of Sargento Foods, Inc., where she is a member of the Compensation Committee. She served a ten-year term on the board of Badger Meter, Inc. (NYSE: BMI), where she was a member of the Corporate Governance and Compensation Committees and formerly was the lead director. Until the end of 2017, Gail was a director of The F. Dohmen Co., a life sciences company, and a member of its Audit Committee. She is a member of Women Corporate Directors, DC chapter, and currently serves as its co-chair.

	<p>Her nonprofit board experience has been meaningful including global leadership roles. She was the founding co-chair of the University of Rochester's Global Women's Network, where she also served on its Board of Trustees for 25 years; and she was the chair of the Women United Global Leadership Council of United Way Worldwide, which represents over 70,000 women around the globe. Today, she is on the boards of the Junior Tennis Championship Center (JTCC) in College Park, Maryland; and The Phillips Collection, the Abramson Scholarship Foundation, and Dog Tag Inc. in Washington DC.</p> <p>Prior to joining Dentons, Gail served as general counsel of three companies in three industries: global marketing/manufacturing; publishing, printing and digital imaging; and insurance, banking and financial services. As general counsel, she led international growth strategies including mergers and acquisitions, brand management, human resources and compliance. Most recently, she was the executive vice president, general counsel, secretary and chief compliance officer of Harley-Davidson, Inc. She also served as president of the Harley-Davidson Foundation. For the seven years prior to joining Harley-Davidson, Gail was general counsel and secretary of US News &amp; World Report and its affiliates, the Atlantic Monthly Company, Applied Graphics Technologies, Inc., and Applied Printing Technologies. Her first general counsel position was with Sun Life Group of America (SunAmerica) in Atlanta, where she managed the legal affairs and all regulatory activities of five insurance companies licensed in 50 states.</p>
 <p><b>Kenneth Brockhorst</b>  Chairman and CEO,  Badger Meter, Inc.  Corporate board member  Mirion Technologies, Inc.</p> <p><i>Panelist</i></p>	<p>Ken joined Badger Meter in October 2017 as Chief Operating Officer and was promoted to President and Chief Executive Officer January 1, 2019 and Chairman of the Board January 1, 2020. He has more than 20 years of experience in global operations management. Prior to joining Badger Meter, Ken served at Actuant Corporation for six years, most recently as executive vice president of the energy segment. His career also includes product management and operational leadership roles at IDEX Corporation and Eaton Corporation. He received a bachelor's degree in operations management, marketing and human resources from Marian University and an Executive MBA from the University of Wisconsin.</p>



**Carolyn Campbell**

Chief Operating Officer  
and Managing Partner,  
Emerging Capital Partners.  
Corporate board member  
Eranove SA France; Burger  
King SA; Wanachi Group  
(Tier 1 Telecom); Advisor  
to Flow/Answr (CO2-  
HVAC&R decarbonizing  
heat pumps)

*Panelist*

Carolyn is a Managing Partner and Co-Founder of Emerging Capital Partners (ECP), a fund management firm with over \$3.5B raised for growth investment that has made 73 investments in 45 countries and realized \$1.8B. Ms. Campbell provides management oversight of the firm's operations and investments. Ms. Campbell is a member of ECP's Executive Committee and of the Funds' investment committees. Experienced C-suite executive and board leader with over 25 years of experience managing, restructuring and scaling tech-enabled energy & infrastructure, financial services, technology & logistics and FMCG fast casual dining businesses globally. She is passionate about helping companies thrive through organic growth and global expansion.



**Suzanne Rich Folsom**  
Director, Advisor and C-  
Suite Executive.

Corporate board member  
of Ecore International and  
Encyclopedia Britannica;  
former Executive Officer  
and General Counsel of  
Phillip Morris International,  
US Steel, and ACADEMI

*Panelist*

Suzanne is an experienced independent director, C-Suite executive, and influential business leader with unique global perspective, having worked across Africa, Asia, Australia, Europe, the Middle East, North and South America. She is an internationally recognized corporate governance expert. Currently, Suzanne serves on the boards of Encyclopaedia Britannica, a leading digital medial learning and knowledge products company whose content is among the most trusted in the world, and Ecore International, a leader in the transformation of reclaimed materials into performance products that make people's lives better. She is also an Advisor to the CEO of EqualFuture, a FinTech start-up focused on financial wellness. Suzanne's previous board service includes: Advanced Metallurgical Group, NV (AMG.AS), a Netherlands-based global critical materials company; VELUXE LLC, an e-commerce health and wellness start-up; and Duke University's Sanford School of Public Policy.

Key corporate leadership positions have included: SVP and General Counsel at Philip Morris International; General Counsel, Chief Compliance Officer, and SVP Government Affairs at United States Steel; EVP, General Counsel and Chief Compliance Officer at private equity owned ACADEMI; and VP, Chief Regulatory & Compliance Officer, and Deputy General Counsel at AIG.

Distinctive public administration roles Suzanne has held include: Counselor to the President of the World Bank and Director of the Office of Institutional Integrity; Private Secretary to H.M. Queen Noor of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan; Special Assistant to Barbara Bush; Advisor to the UN Commission on the Status of Women; Advisor to the US Delegation to the UN World Women's Conference in Kenya; and Chief of Staff to the Co-Chair of a US national political party.

Suzanne has served on multiple non-profit boards over the years. Her thought leadership contributions focus on corporate governance, cyber security, DEI, and legal, regulatory and compliance matters. Suzanne is passionate about making a difference.



**Walter Van Dorn**

Partner, Dentons.

Former Special Counsel in  
the Division of Corporation  
Finance at the SEC

*Speaker and Panelist*

Walter advises issuers, underwriters and other financial institutions on securities and capital market transactions, including IPOs; public and private offerings of equity; debt (including sovereign debt) and asset-based securities; and exchange offers, tender offers and rights offerings.

In addition, Walter advises clients on all aspects of the US securities laws, including the Securities Act and Exchange Act, as well as the Investment Company Act, Investment Advisers Act, Sarbanes-Oxley Act, Dodd-Frank Act, JOBS Act and Foreign Corrupt Practices Act. He has practiced as a securities lawyer in New York, London, Hong Kong and Washington, DC, and his clients include financial services, industrial and technology companies worldwide. He is a frequent lecturer and writer on the subject of the US securities laws and has spoken at conferences around the world.

Earlier in his career, Walter was Special Counsel in the Division of Corporation Finance at the US Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) in Washington. His areas of responsibility included offerings of equity securities and American depository receipts (ADRs), offerings of debt securities by both corporate and government issuers, offerings under the multijurisdictional disclosure system (MJDS) with Canada and mergers and acquisitions involving non-US companies. He also participated in rule-making initiatives such as those amending Regulation S and amending rules governing cross-border tender and exchange offers and rights offerings.



**Sam Olens**

Partner, Dentons.

Former Attorney General  
of Georgia

*Speaker and Panelist*

Sam is a partner in Dentons' Public Policy practice and is a member of the firm's State Attorneys General group, based in the Atlanta office. His practice focuses on state attorneys general and local government affairs matters.

Sam was twice elected attorney general of Georgia, in 2010 and 2014. In that role he worked to strengthen the penalties for and protect the victims of sex trafficking, guided a comprehensive revision of Georgia's sunshine laws and led the effort to stem the epidemic of prescription drug abuse. Olens also served as vice president of the National Association of Attorneys General in 2016, having previously served as chair of the 13-state Southern Region both in 2013 and 2015.

Prior to being elected attorney general, Olens was chairman of the Cobb County Board of Commissioners, serving from August 2002 through March 2010. He previously served as a county commissioner from 1999 through June 2002.

Sam was chair of the Atlanta Regional Commission board as well as a member of the Board of the Department of Community Affairs. Sam has a history of taking a regional approach to problem solving. During his time at the Atlanta Regional Commission, Sam Olens was awarded the Tom Bradley Leadership Award by the National Association of Regional Councils. The award recognizes leadership excellence an elected or appointed official has made in advocating regional concepts, approaches, and programs at any level of government.

Sam also served as Vice-Chair of the Metropolitan North Georgia Water Planning District, a 16-county planning entity dedicated to developing comprehensive regional and watershed-specific plans for the district and as a board member of the National Association of Counties Transportation Steering Committee.

Sam is a registered mediator/arbitrator with the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution. He has been admitted to practice law in Georgia and the District of Columbia.