

## **Thomas P. Mason Named General Counsel of Energy Transfer Partners, L.P.**

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DALLAS--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Feb. 9, 2007--Energy Transfer Partners, L.P. (NYSE:ETP) today announced that Thomas P. Mason has joined the company as General Counsel.

Mason joins Energy Transfer Partners from Vinson & Elkins, where he was a senior energy and securities law partner. He has over 25 years of experience and has been working with Energy Transfer for the past several years on numerous transactions. Mason represented Energy Transfer Partners in its recent acquisition of Transwestern Pipeline Company, an interstate pipeline, and also represented Energy Transfer Equity, the owner of ETP's General Partner, in its initial public offering last year.

"Tom brings tremendous talent and depth to our management team," said Kelcy Warren, Co-CEO of Energy Transfer Partners. "This will be a great benefit for our company and its unitholders and we are happy to have him on board."

Mason has specialized in securities offerings, energy-related transactions, and mergers and acquisitions. His clients have consisted primarily of energy companies, including numerous master limited partnerships. Prior to joining Vinson & Elkins, Mason was a partner at Andrews & Kurth, another Houston-based law firm.

Energy Transfer Partners, L.P. (NYSE:ETP) is a publicly traded partnership owning and operating a diversified portfolio of mostly midstream energy assets. ETP's natural gas operations include intrastate natural gas gathering and transportation pipelines, natural gas treating and processing assets located in Texas and Louisiana, and three natural gas storage facilities located in Texas. These assets include approximately 12,000 miles of intrastate pipeline in service, with an additional 600 miles of intrastate pipeline under construction, and 2,400 miles of interstate pipeline. ETP is also one of the three largest retail marketers of propane in the U.S., serving more than one million customers across the country.

Energy Transfer Equity, L.P. (NYSE:ETE) owns the general partner of Energy Transfer Partners and approximately 62.5 million ETP limited partner units. Together ETP and ETE have a combined enterprise value of approximately \$20 billion.

The information contained in this press release is available on our website at [www.energytransfer.com](http://www.energytransfer.com).

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