



**TEXAS PIPELINE
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SHAY BLUNTZER ELECTED CHAIRMAN OF THE TEXAS PIPELINE ASSOCIATION

AUSTIN, Texas [Jan. 13, 2021] – Shay Bluntzer, executive director of Public Affairs for NuStar Energy, L.P., has been elected chairman of the Texas Pipeline Association (TPA). TPA is the largest state trade association in the country that solely represents the interests of the intrastate pipeline network. The association formally made the announcement last Friday at its annual meeting, held virtually.

“Shay’s 15 years of robust industry and government affairs experience at the international, national, state and local levels will be invaluable to the Texas Pipeline Association and its member companies – especially during the 87th legislative session,” said TPA President Thure Cannon. “I look forward to working closely with Shay, as our industry begins to recover from the COVID-19 pandemic and faces the many regulatory and legislative challenges that lie ahead as we continue to build Texas’ essential infrastructure to deliver the hydrocarbons that Americans rely on every day.”

In his role at NuStar – a publicly traded limited partnership based in San Antonio and one of the largest independent liquids terminal and pipeline operators in the nation – Bluntzer has been instrumental in building the company’s profile at the highest levels of government. He also serves as a member of the Board of Directors for NuStarPAC, a political action committee dedicated to the advancement of NuStar’s business objectives.

Bluntzer serves on the Board of Directors for the Energy Infrastructure Council, an organization dedicated to the improvement and enhancement of the United States energy infrastructure. He also serves on the government relations committees of several prominent national, state and local trade associations in the energy sector. Bluntzer previously served on the Board of Directors for the Boys & Girls Clubs of San Antonio and is a dedicated volunteer and avid supporter of the United Way and Haven for Hope. He holds a degree in public administration from Texas State University.

“Through collaboration with all stakeholders, including industry coalitions, legislators and regulators, I look forward to working with TPA member companies to drive the industry forward in the year ahead,” said Bluntzer.

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ABOUT TPA

Texas Pipeline Association (TPA), the largest state trade association in the country representing solely the interests of the intrastate pipeline network, is the primary resource for information regarding the Texas pipeline industry. TPA provides advocacy on issues related to pipeline safety, environmental regulations, taxation and legislation. Member companies and their representatives commit to conducting their business in accordance with integrity, honest communication, fair right-of-way acquisition, respectful construction and safe operations.