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### **Former U.S. Interior Secretary Ken Salazar to Address Latino Policymakers at National Policy Institute on Energy in Long Beach**

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WASHINGTON, D.C. – The National Association of Latino Elected and Appointed Officials (NALEO) Educational Fund, the nation's preeminent Latino leadership organization, will convene more than 50 Latino policymakers from across the country in Long Beach, Calif. for an Institute focused on issues relating to our nation's current and future energy needs. The *National Policy Institute on Energy* will take place February 26, 2016, at the Hotel Maya.

Former U.S. Interior Secretary Ken Salazar will provide opening remarks to the Latino elected and appointed officials in attendance on February 26, 2016 at 9 a.m. PT. During the Institute participants will have an opportunity to engage with national, regional and industry experts, private sector representatives and other key stakeholders who will help deepen their understanding of the most pressing energy policy issues facing the nation today.

NALEO Educational Fund's *National Policy Institute on Energy* will also provide Latino policymakers with the opportunity to network with colleagues and experts from throughout the country as they discuss various policy approaches for meeting our nation's current and future energy needs. The Institute's program will cover:

- The Current and Future Needs Energy Needs in the United States
- Economic Trends in the Energy Sector and their Effect on State and Local Economies
- An Overview of Various Energy Sources
- The Future of Energy Delivery (Utilities)
- Energy and Climate Change
- Concurrent Sessions on Meeting the Workforce Needs in the Energy Sector and Cybersecurity for Critical Energy Infrastructure

Speakers at this year's *Institute* include Former U.S. Interior Secretary Ken Salazar, U.S. Department of Energy Deputy Assistant Secretary for Intergovernmental and External Affairs Francisco Carrillo, and City of Long Beach Mayor Robert Garcia.

This event is made possible through the generous support of Title Sponsor, California Resources Corporation. A full schedule and list of speakers is available on the NALEO Educational Fund website at [www.naleo.org/2016\\_energy](http://www.naleo.org/2016_energy).

**What:** *NALEO National Policy Institute on Energy*

**When:** February 26, 2016

**Where:** Hotel Maya  
Miramar Room - Second Level  
700 Queensway Drive  
Long Beach, CA 90802

**Media:** **This event is open to media on Friday. Advance registration is required.**

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*NALEO Educational Fund is the nation's leading non-partisan, non-profit organization that facilitates the full participation of Latinos in the American political process, from citizenship to public service.*