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## 2017 United States Energy Award Recipient CONGRESSMAN JOE BARTON

Vice Chairman

House Committee on Energy and Commerce



The United States Energy Award Selection Committee is pleased to announce Congressman Joe Barton, Vice Chairman, United States Committee on Energy and Commerce, as the recipient of the 2017 United States Energy Award. Congressman Barton receives this award in recognition of his outstanding efforts to advance global energy initiatives and his support of USEA.

Congressman Barton was first elected to serve the Sixth District of Texas in 1984. In 2004, he was selected by his colleagues to be the Chairman of the House Committee on Energy & Commerce — the oldest standing legislative House committee. Barton was the first Texan since former House Speaker Sam Rayburn to chair this important committee. The Energy & Commerce Committee has arguably the broadest non tax-oriented jurisdiction of any congressional committee, with principal House responsibility over matters relating to energy, commerce, public health and marketplace interests. Barton is currently the senior Republican and serves as Vice Chairman of the full Energy and Commerce Committee. In the 115th Congress, Barton serves as the Dean of the Texas Delegation and is the 9th most senior Member of the House.

Congressman Barton was born on September 15, 1949 in Waco, Texas. An avid baseball player growing up, he earned a four-year Gifford-Hill Opportunity Award scholarship to Texas A&M University, where he was the outstanding industrial engineering student for the Class of 1972. After earning a Master's of Science degree in Industrial Administration from Purdue University, he joined Ennis Business Forms, where he rose to the position of assistant to the vice president. In 1981, he was selected for the prestigious White House Fellows Program, and served as an aide to then-Energy Secretary James B. Edwards. He returned to Texas in 1982 as a natural gas decontrol consultant for Atlantic Richfield Oil and Gas Company before being elected to Congress.

USEA will present this prestigious award during its Annual Membership Meeting and Public Policy Forum on Thursday, May 4, 2017 at the National Press Club, located at 529 14th Street, NW, Washington, DC.

To register for the Annual Meeting, please visit the Events webpage at www.USEA.org.

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