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Christopher Guith is Senior Vice President at the U.S. Chamber of Commerce's Global Energy Institute. He is responsible for developing the Institute's policies and initiatives as they apply to the legislative, executive, and regulatory branches of the federal and state governments. Specifically, Guith primarily focuses on the development of the Energy Institute's policies and messaging relating to oil and natural gas, generation, and nuclear energy. He led the Chamber's Shale Works for US campaign, which analyzed and promoted the widespread benefits of shale energy development in America.

Guith offers expertise on an array of energy and environmental issues. He educates policymakers, businesses, energy stakeholders, coalitions, and the public about the importance of a diversified energy portfolio and how it can ensure an efficient, reliable, prosperous, and secure energy future. He also leverages his broad energy expertise as a spokesperson with local, state, and national media.

Guith travels frequently to speak to stakeholder groups, raising awareness of the impact of policy decisions on America's energy future and encouraging groups to share their perspectives with policymakers. In addition, he consults with state and local chambers of commerce and business groups, advising them how to quantify the importance of safe, reliable American energy to their businesses, as well as how to amplify that message when communicating with energy decision makers.

Prior to joining the Chamber in 2008, Guith served as deputy assistant secretary for nuclear energy at the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), where he developed the administration's nuclear energy policies and coordinated the department's interactions with Congress, stakeholders, and the media. He was also deputy assistant secretary for congressional affairs at DOE and a chief representative of the administration during the drafting and debate of the Energy Policy Act of 2005.

Earlier in his career, Guith served as Rep. Bob Barr's (R-GA) legislative director and Rep. Tim Murphy's (R-PA) counsel and policy adviser. He was also legislative counsel for the Environment, Technology & Regulatory Affairs at the U.S. Chamber of Commerce.

Guith is a graduate of Syracuse University-College of Law and the University of California-Santa Barbara.