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Fwd: Invitation to attend Energize: Charlotte - Forum on the Massive # of Jobs in the Energy (Oil and Gas) Industry, Sept. 18 @ NASCAR Museum

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Subject: Invitation to attend Energize: Charlotte - Forum on the Massive # of Jobs in the Energy (Oil and Gas) Industry, Sept. 18 @ NASCAR Museum

You are cordially invited to attend the "Energizing Charlotte" FREE Community Forum with special guests focusing on economic development and job readiness in the oil and gas industry. Anyone interested should attend this FREE Community forum. Register TODAY and get more info at <http://aabe-hieenergize.com>

"ENERGIZE CHARLOTTE" A JOB READINESS SUMMIT FOR JOBS IN THE OIL AND GAS AND ENERGY INDUSTRY

Hosted by the American Association of Blacks in Energy and Hispanics in Energy

(AUGUST 25, 2014) The American Association of Blacks in Energy (AABE) in partnership with Hispanics in Energy (HIE), is pleased to announce "Energize Charlotte: A Community Conversation About Energy, Opportunity, and Workforce Readiness." The event will take place on Thursday, September 18, 2014 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the NASCAR Hall of Fame Museum. The event is part of an eight-city tour which detail the findings of the report commissioned by the American Petroleum Institute (API). The report revealed a mass increase of jobs for minorities and women in the oil and gas and energy industry. According to API, an estimated 1.3 million new jobs will be created in the energy sector with 34% of jobs going to minorities and women.

"Charlotte is now the 16th largest city in the country with an African-American population of 35% and a Hispanic population that has now exceeded 13%," said Paula Jackson, President and CEO of the American Association of Blacks in Energy.

"Considering Charlotte's thriving minority population, our organizations deemed it critically important that we include the great city of Charlotte on our tour. We look forward to engaging the leaders of Charlotte in an effort to prepare the next generation of energy professionals."

AABE and HIE are committed to leading the conversation on how women and minorities can prepare for these opportunities by inviting community stakeholders to open forums on September 18th to spark thought provoking conversations on the road ahead. Industry business leaders, labor representatives, educators, elected officials, workforce investment groups, community organizations and faith-based leaders are all invited to attend the free event.

WHO: American Association of Blacks in Energy (AABE)
Hispanics in Energy (HIE)

WHAT: "Energize Charlotte: A Community Conversation About Energy, Opportunity, and Workforce Readiness"

WHEN: Thursday September 18, 2014
10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

WHERE: NASCAR Hall of Fame Museum
400 E Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.
Charlotte, NC 28202

For information on the API survey and to register for the free event, please visit – <http://aabe-hieenergize.com/>. Follow the conversation on Twitter at @_AABE and live during each event using hash tag, #AskAABE, #Energizing or #EnergizeCharlotte

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