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Shareholder Activism and the Thriving Public Company: A Response to Critics

Program

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Schedule

7:30 p.m. **Welcome**
Speaker Eric J. Pan, *Director of The Samuel & Ronnie Heyman Center on Corporate Governance, Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law*

7:45 p.m. **Discussion: Shareholder Activism and the Thriving Public Company: A Response to Critics**

Speaker T. Boone Pickens, *BP Capital Management*

Moderator Charlie Rose, *Public Broadcasting Company*

9:00 p.m. **Cocktail Reception**

The presentations and discussions will be on the record.

We respectfully ask that audience members turn off their cell phone and blackberry ringers and refrain from leaving until the end of a presentation.

Speaker Biographies

T. BOONE PICKENS

T. Boone Pickens, founder and chairman, BP Capital Management, is principally responsible for the formulation of energy futures investment strategy of the BP Capital Commodity Fund and the BP Capital Equity Fund. With more than \$4 billion under management, BP Capital manages one of the nation's most successful energy-oriented investment funds. Pickens is also aggressively pursuing a wide range of other business interests, from water marketing and ranch development initiatives to Clean Energy, a company he founded and of which he is the largest shareholder.

His many professional honors include membership in the Horatio Alger Association of Distinguished Americans, the Texas Business Hall of Fame, and the Oklahoma Hall of Fame. In 1998, the *Oil & Gas Journal* listed him as one of the "100 Most Influential People of the Petroleum Century." In 2006, he was ranked among America's Top Five Philanthropists by the *Chronicle of Philanthropy*. The breadth of his philanthropy – nearly half a billion dollars – includes medical research, education, and athletics.

CHARLIE ROSE

Award-winning journalist Charlie Rose has been praised as "one of America's premier interviewers." He is the host of *Charlie Rose*, the nightly PBS program that engages America's best thinkers, writers, politicians, athletes, entertainers, business leaders, scientists, and other news makers. *USA Today* calls *Charlie Rose*, "TV's most addictive talk show."

Charlie Rose is unique. The round oak table, perhaps the most recognized table on television, and the black backdrop, provide an intimate atmosphere for showcasing smart conversation. Morley Safer, of CBS' *60 Minutes*, calls the program "the last refuge of intelligent conversation on television."

Charlie Rose was born in Henderson, NC and graduated from Duke University with an A.B. in history and a J.D. from the School of Law and has honorary doctorates of law from C.W. Post College and the University of North Carolina at Pembroke. He is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations and the recipient of the George Peabody Broadcasting Award, the Emmy Award, and the CableACE Award.

PROF. ERIC J. PAN

Eric J. Pan is Assistant Professor of Law and Director of The Samuel and Ronnie Heyman Center on Corporate Governance at the Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law.

Before joining Cardozo, Prof. Pan was an attorney in the Washington, DC office of Covington & Burling, where he worked in Covington's corporate, securities, and international practice groups. His practice consisted of mergers and acquisitions, public and private securities offerings, securities regulation, general corporate advisory work, and public and private international law matters. Before his time at Covington, he was a Jean Monnet Lecturer in Law at Warwick University, England, and served as director of Warwick's Programme in Law and Business. He was also a visiting fellow in international law at Cambridge University, England.

Prof. Pan is an Associate Fellow of the Royal Institute for International Affairs (Chatham House) in London and a term member of the Council on Foreign Relations. Prof. Pan received an A.B. in Economics from Harvard College, a M.Sc. in European and International Politics from Edinburgh University, Scotland, and a J.D. from Harvard Law School.