The protection and resiliency of oil and natural gas critical infrastructure requires a strong partnership between industry and the Federal government. It is only through true coordination that the energy sector is able to realize its security and resilience goals.

The Oil and Natural Gas Subsector Coordinating Council (ONG SCC) represents the private sector interests of the oil and natural gas industry in the public-private partnership. It provides a forum to coordinate oil and natural gas security strategies, activities, policy, and communication across the sector to support the nation’s homeland security mission.

**STRUCTURE**

The ONG SCC evolved from the National Infrastructure Protection Plan (NIPP), a framework for the government and private sector to improve protection and resiliency of critical infrastructure. As defined in the NIPP, SCCs are created by owners and operators and are self-organized, self-run, and self-governed, with a leadership designated by the SCC membership.

“SCCs serve as principal collaboration points between the government and private sector owners and operators for critical infrastructure security and resilience policy coordination and planning and a range of related sector-specific activities.” NIPP 2013

The ONG SCC includes oil and natural gas owners and operators from 23 trade associations, representing a broad industry-wide network across the United States and Canada from all operational segments—drilling, exploration and production, marketing, processing, refining, service and supply, transmission, distribution, and transportation (pipeline, marine, motor, and rail).

The leadership of the ONG SCC consists of a Chair and Vice Chair, who collectively have expertise in both physical and cybersecurity. The Chair serves a one year term and is followed by the Vice Chair who ascends to the role of Chair.

**GOVERNMENT PARTNERSHIP**

The government counterpart to the ONG SCC is the Energy Government Coordinating Council (EGCC), which is co-chaired by the Department of Energy and Department of Homeland Security and made up of officials from relevant Cabinet agencies, federal law enforcement, and national security organizations.

The ONG SCC has placed a considerable effort into fostering and maintaining a trusted partnership with the EGCC, helping to shape and provide insights to the national homeland security agenda on behalf of the oil and natural gas subsector. Both councils meet in-person at least 3 times a year, in addition to regular calls, to discuss the priorities of the sector.
WORKING GROUPS
The ONG SCC has formed working groups to advise and inform council members on the key topics and concerns of the sector, to include:

- **Cyber**—Increase cybersecurity awareness and education across the ONG subsector and provide input to current cybersecurity policy initiatives through interface with the EGCC.

- **Information Sharing**—Work with the EGCC to improve quality and type of information shared through classified briefings on the ONG subsector.

- **Cross-Sector Coordination**—Form and maintain liaison relationships with the Electricity, Transportation, and Chemical SCCs because of the significant interdependencies that exist.

- **Regulatory Engagement**—Encourage active participation in initiatives to include the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Pipeline Security Guidelines, Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards (CFATS) and Maritime Transportation Security Act (MTSA).

- **Emergency Management**—Continue to educate stakeholders on the ONG industries concerning how the sector operates and responds to incidents, using all appropriate materials.

- **Law Enforcement Engagement**—Strengthen engagement with Federal law enforcement and agency officials that have responsibility for enforcement of laws that govern those involved in the tampering of ONG critical infrastructure.

- **Pipeline**—Continue to foster programs with industry and government partners, in particular TSA, to collectively promote pipeline security. This working group also serves as the Pipeline SCC for the Transportation Sector.

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Matt Harper, Devon Energy (Chair)
Jay Montgomery, Kinder Morgan (Vice Chair)

Sector Owner and Operator Trade Associations
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American Fuel & Petrochemical Manufacturers
American Gas Association
American Petroleum Institute
American Public Gas Association
Association of Oil Pipe Lines
Energy Security Council
Gas Processors Association
Independent Petroleum Association of America
International Association of Drilling Contractors
International Liquid Terminals Association
Interstate Natural Gas Association of America
National Association of Convenience Stores
National Ocean Industries Association
National Propane Gas Association
Offshore Marine Service Association
Offshore Operators Committee
Petroleum Marketers Association of America
Society of Independent Gas Marketers Association
Texas Oil & Gas Association
U.S. Oil & Gas Association

Associate Member Trade Associations
Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers
Canadian Energy Pipeline Association

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**Government**
- Federal Agencies
- Regulators
- Power Marketing Administrations (PMAs)
- Law Enforcement
- State, Local, Tribal, & Territorial
- Canadian Agencies

**Industry**
- Oil and Natural Gas Companies
- Trade Associations
- Oil and Natural Gas Information Sharing and Analysis Center (ONG ISAC)
- Downstream Natural Gas Information Sharing and Analysis Center (DNG ISAC)
- Canadian Oil and Natural Gas Companies

**External Groups**
- Other Critical Infrastructure Sectors
- Vendors
- Media