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Knowledge Ops, Inc. announces that Steve Cowper, former Governor of Alaska, has joined the firm as a Senior Fellow for Government Affairs.

HOUSTON, Texas, USA (Tuesday, September 21, 2010) – Knowledge Ops, Inc., (www.KnowledgeOps.com) a Delaware company headquartered in Houston, is pleased to announce that former Governor of Alaska Steve Cowper is joining the firm as a Senior Fellow for Government Affairs. In this capacity, Governor Cowper will advise management on local, state and federal governmental matters, including regulatory aspects of oil and gas drilling and production and maritime operations.

Dr. Scott Shemwell, CEO of Knowledge Ops, said "I have known and worked with Governor Cowper for over a decade and we are delighted that he will be working with us and our clients helping to navigate through these difficult times for the industry." Shemwell went on to add, "Governor Cowper brings a unique perspective to the challenges the offshore drilling and production industry faces and his wisdom and counsel are invaluable."

Of the recent Gulf oil spill, Governor Cowper stated, "Every generation, the oil and gas industry has had to deal with new realities caused by a major traumatic event. The offshore sector is moving rapidly and working with local, state, and federal governments to assure safe and environmentally friendly operations while generating high paying jobs. I look forward to helping to address these challenges, and I'm confident that the Knowledge Ops solutions will have immediate and effective value for the industry."

Bio, Governor Cowper

In 1986 Steve Cowper was elected as the sixth Governor of Alaska. He managed the 1989 Exxon Valdez oil spill crisis on behalf of the State of Alaska and played a major role in opening up the Soviet (now Russian) Far East for international trade. For his administration's active role in reviving the Alaskan economy and creating a surplus in the state budget, Cowper was named one of America's top ten governors by the publisher of USA Today.



In 1989-1990, Cowper served as Chairman of the Interstate Oil & Gas Compact Commission (IOGCC). He was named Lead Governor for Energy by the National Governors Association, and has testified before the US Congress many times on energy-related matters, as well as addressing the Canadian Parliament on Arctic energy production.

Steve Cowper began his professional career as a maritime attorney in Norfolk, Virginia, but soon moved to Fairbanks, Alaska where he was a District Attorney and then in private practice with Cowper & Madson. He served in the Alaska House of Representatives in 1975-1978, and was Chairman of the House Finance Committee and Chairman of the Alaska Lands Committee. In 1977-1978 Cowper was one of the Alaska representatives to the Law of the Sea Conference. Mr. Cowper also served as Chairman of the Alaska Permanent Fund, a public investment trust which today has a value of \$37 billion.

After his term as governor, Cowper was a visiting fellow at the New York-New Jersey Port Authority in 1991. He was Co-Chairman of the Pacific Rim Fisheries Conference in Beijing in 1994 and again in Tokyo in 1997. Cowper is a board member of the Northeast Asia Economic Forum, affiliated with the East-West Center in Honolulu.

Since 1991 Cowper has been CEO of Steve Cowper & Associates, of Anchorage, Alaska, and Austin, Texas, a group which advises companies and governments on energy-related initiatives. In 2004 his firm was chosen as an official adviser to the government of Sao Tome and Principe, an island country off the coast of West Africa. He has also served as a contractor to the US government on infrastructure projects located in other nations. He is a frequent speaker at international conferences on large energy infrastructure projects, and has authored several articles in trade magazines and newspapers.

Cowper has been a principal in, or served on the boards of, several energy-related companies in the US and Canada. He lives with his wife and family in Austin, TX.

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