

# M&A OUTLOOK: CONSOLIDATIONS, ACQUISITIONS AND DIVESTITURES

## 10:00 - 11:00 AM



### **Marcel Hewamudalige**

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Marcel A. Hewamudalige is a Managing Director in the firm's global advisory business focusing on energy clients in the Americas. Mr. Hewamudalige is based in Evercore's Houston office.

Prior to joining Evercore, Mr. Hewamudalige spent his career at Morgan Stanley focused exclusively on clients in the natural resources sector across the Americas. He has thirteen years of investment banking experience advising on a range of transactions including mergers, acquisitions, divestitures, debt advisory, liability management and restructurings, equity and debt underwritings, and other strategic actions. Over the past thirteen years, Mr. Hewamudalige has advised on a number of notable strategic transactions for public and private clients across the energy sector, including Antero Resources, Apollo Global Management, Avenue Capital, Echo Energy, EdgeMarc Energy, Encana Corporation, ExxonMobil, Goldman Sachs Merchant Banking, Imperial Oil, Independence Contract Drilling, InterOil Corporation, Oaktree Capital, Oasis Petroleum, PrimeWest Energy, Jones Energy, Jupiter Resources, Ontario Teachers' Pension Plan, Real Resources, Royal Dutch Shell, Sable Permian Resources, Sasol Limited, Statoil ASA, Silver Point Capital, Suncor Energy, Sunshine Oilsands, Total SA, Tyler Resources, Vine Oil & Gas amongst others.

Mr. Hewamudalige earned his B.A. in Economics from Rice University in Houston, Texas.



### **Robert R. Hutson, Jr.**

Co-Founder & CEO

Diversified Gas & Oil PLC

Born and raised in West Virginia, Mr. Hutson, Jr. is the fourth generation in his family to immerse himself in the gas and oil industry, with family roots dating

back to the early 1900s. Rusty spent many summers of his youth working with his father and grandfather in the oil fields of West Virginia. He graduated from Fairmont State College (WV) with a degree in accounting. After college, Rusty spent 13 years steadily progressing into multiple leadership roles at well-known banking institutions such as Bank One and Compass Bank. His final years in the banking industry were spent as CFO of Compass Financial Services. Building upon his experiences in the Oil & Gas Industry as well as the financial sector, Rusty established Diversified Gas & Oil in 2001. After years of refining his strategy, Rusty and his team quietly took DGO public in 2017. He continues to lead his team and expand the company's footprint throughout the Appalachian Basin. With a rapidly growing portfolio, Rusty remains focused on operational excellence and creating shareholder value.

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