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Subject: Book endorsement request - Gov. Nikki Haley

Hi Chaney,

I sent the following request via the online generic e-mail form on 4/20/16, but am re-sending in case it was not directed to you.

My name is Rebecca Ponton and I am the author of a forthcoming book called Breaking the GAS Ceiling: Women in the Offshore Oil and Gas Industry. It is a compilation of condensed biographies of 25 women of various nationalities, ages, and positions within the industry, many of whom have achieved "firsts" in their fields, including Abby Ross Hopper, the first woman director of the US Bureau of Ocean Energy Management; Anne Grete Ellingsen, the first woman OIM in the North Sea and former Deputy Minister of Petroleum & Energy in Norway; Deirdre Michie, the first female chief executive of Oil & Gas UK; and Sara Akbar, the only female oilfield firefighter during the Gulf War and now CEO of Kuwait Energy, to name a few.

I am honored that Marie-José Nadeau, the first woman chair in the history of the World Energy Council, has written the Foreword to the book.

As Gov. Haley has been an outspoken supporter of responsible offshore testing and drilling, and has broken the glass ceiling in politics as one of the few women governors, I would like to ask her to consider writing an endorsement for the book. Should she be interested, I would be happy to send a partial manuscript for her review.

Thank you for your assistance!

Best,

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