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James Tague is an experienced technical instructor who is passionate about sharing his knowledge of engineering, economics, and the oil and gas industry. He currently teaches at Midland College's Professional Petroleum Development Center, offering courses on performance metrics, reserves analysis, and operational optimization to students and corporate clients.

As a published author, Mr. Tague has made significant contributions to the field with works including *Oil & Gas Performance Analysis* by PennWell Books and the forthcoming *Oil & Gas Reserves in Nontechnical Language*. He has also authored numerous papers for the Society of Petroleum Engineers (SPE) and articles in leading technical journals.

Mr. Tague is the President of the Performance Analytics Group, LLC, a specialized consulting firm, and has held prominent roles throughout his distinguished career in the oil and gas industry. These include serving as Senior Vice President of Corporate Planning and Development for E&B Natural Resources, Manager of Corporate Planning for Murphy Oil, and Senior Analyst for Chevron's Chief Economist. His expertise encompasses business development, field and production optimization, mergers and acquisitions, reserves accounting, capital budgeting, and performance analysis.

A veteran of the United States Navy, Mr. Tague served as a carrier-based aviator, flying the E-2C Hawkeye and logging over 1,200 flight hours. He remains actively involved in several veteran and community organizations, including TAPS – The Tragedy Assistance Program for Survivors, the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW), and the Disabled American Veterans (DAV).

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