**Energy Blockchain Consortium (EBC) is hosting a Blockchain Regional Summit in Phoenix Arizona in collaboration with EBC’s Arizona Chapter and Blockchain 48™** **(BC48)**

Phoenix Arizona, March 26, 2019 - the Energy Blockchain Consortium in collaboration with Blockchain 48 is pleased to host an educational summit for the state of Arizona about the use of Blockchain in the Energy industry. The Energy Blockchain Consortium’s Regional Summit will cover an overview of the use of Blockchain and its application in Utilities, with a deep dive on certain use cases pertaining to Arizona. The educational summit will include numerous industry speakers and thought leaders who will provide deep insights on how Arizona utilities and the state of Arizona can Implement blockchain in the energy field. The summit supports the Blockchain docket opened by the Arizona Corporate Commission to explore the use of Blockchain in Arizona.

“Blockchain is an important new technology that could change the way energy companies and customers engage,” said**Bob Feghali**,Chief Membership and Corporate Development officer at EBC, an Arizona resident. “But as a promising yet young technology, Blockchain education and awareness, combined with industry-wide collaboration, and standardization will be critical to Blockchain adoption. Legacy energy companies, utilities, governments, regulators, and startups alike need to understand and leverage Blockchain’s potential, which is why we’re pleased to host this event and to launch an EBC’s Arizona Blockchain Working Group during the summit”.

"Arizona’s Governor, Attorney General, and Legislature have already been leading the country on blockchain policy, and I think Arizona’s energy industry should do the same,” said Commissioner **Andy Tobin**. “Whether the use cases for blockchain are transactive energy, RECs trading, DER management, are to be determined”. Says **Daniel Schwiebert** Deputy Policy Advisor to Commissioner Andy Tobin.

 “Blockchain is maturing and getting the attention of the Energy Sector! What better place than Arizona to Learn, Explore, Engage, and Talk with businesses, regulators, and utilities and about the Sustainability, Demystifying, Value Proposition, and Collaboration using Blockchain in this sector”. Says **Jon Zifcak**, Managing Partner at Blockchain 48.

 “In the energy sector, blockchain is opening the door to new, novel ways to facilitate transactions, with interoperability standards as the backbone,” said**Burrell Kilmer**, **Managing Director at Navigant**. “Energy Blockchain Consortium’s summit is an opportunity to explore this concept and discuss the possibilities it holds across Arizona.”

**About Energy Blockchain Consortium**

Energy Blockchain Consortium is a non-profit consortium of energy and blockchain organizations and professionals who are committed to leveraging blockchain technology to solve the most compelling problems in the energy industry. The Consortium is developing an open energy blockchain framework (named Catena™) with use cases, interoperability standards and reference architecture.

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Blockchain 48™ mission is to empower our Blockchain community, we achieve this by our core pillars to EDUCATE, CONNECT, and INNOVATE with our community to make meaningful and long-lasting contribution.

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