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## Profiles of Geoscientists



**Jeff Eppink**

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### **Education:**

BS, Cal State Poly (Geology)  
MS, Cal State Poly (Geology)

### **Job Description:**

Energy Policy Program Manager

### **Video Transcript 1:**

"In my personal case, I have a family and work very hard to balance the job and the family. But you know, everything in stride is the way you have to approach it. You have to hydride a situation and see if it's important to do. Whether it's work or family."

### **Biography:**

Mr. Eppink studied for his B.S. in geology at California State Polytechnic University and went on to receive a M.S. degree in geology/geophysics from the University of Southern California. His studies were stimulated by a general curiosity about the way the world works and the space program of the 1960s and 70s. While in graduate school, Mr. Eppink worked at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, California in remote sensing and planetology. After graduate school, Mr. Eppink worked for ten years with Chevron Overseas Petroleum Inc. as an explorationist. Projects at Chevron involved regional studies, seismic interpretation, geochemistry, remote sensing, reserves assessments, and economic evaluations of oil and gas opportunities in numerous basins around the world. Since leaving Chevron in 1991, Mr. Eppink has worked for ICF Kaiser International concentrating on energy and environmental projects. In 1992, Mr. Eppink took a leave of absence to complete a yearlong Diplomacy Fellowship, through the American Association for the Advancement of Science, with the Asia Bureau of the U.S. Agency for International Development of the U.S. State Department. During that tenure, Mr. Eppink was instrumental in establishing the U.S.-Asia Environmental Partnership, which promotes the use of American environmental expertise and technology to address Asian environmental issues and problems.

Since rejoining ICF Kaiser, Mr. Eppink has been based near Washington, D.C. and has obtained a MBA from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University. Currently, the focus of

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his work has been to develop an international energy practice to serve private and public sector clients with strategic planning, technical studies, policy analysis, and project management. Domestically in the U.S., Mr. Eppink's work sponsored by the Department of Energy has involved outreach between the oil and gas industry and regulators, which has resulted in the resolution of significant issues and the establishment of an ongoing, productive dialogue. This work resulted in Mr. Eppink being awarded a "golden hammer" from Vice President Al Gore as part of the National Performance Review. Mr. Eppink also serves on the Human Resources Committee of the American Geological Institute.

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