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Weaver Merges with RIN Attest and Advisory Services

David Bennett to Join the Firm as a Partner in Energy Compliance Services

STAMFORD, Conn. (February 5, 2014) – [Weaver](#), the largest independent accounting firm in the Southwest, announces the merger with RIN Attest and Advisory Services effective January 7, 2014. This merger enhances Weaver’s expertise in the energy compliance and renewables industry. [David Bennett](#), CPA, CFE, CFF, CITP, RIA, who founded RIN Attest and Advisory Services, joins Weaver as a partner in Weaver’s [energy compliance services](#) (ECS) practice and will be based out of Stamford, Conn.

Bennett’s practice specializes in attestations required under the Renewable Fuel Standard (RFS) regulations, as well as renewable energy business intelligence solutions.

“David’s extensive experience in RFS attestation and compliance services will add great depth to our ECS practice,” said Wade Watson, partner-in-charge of energy compliance and renewables.

“His expertise is an integral addition which supports our strategic goal of growing national recognition within the energy industry.”

Bennett has worked extensively with more than 100 companies in the renewable fuel industry, providing in-depth guidance in support, as well as assuring compliance with EPA regulations.

“Leveraging the two firms’ knowledge, expertise and experience in the renewable fuels industry allows us to continue providing excellent service to our clients and further support Weaver’s success,” said Bennett.

He brings more than 20 years of experience in public accounting, renewable energy, corporate finance and operations including Sarbanes-Oxley and the implementation of financial reporting systems.

Bennett’s professional memberships include American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA), New Jersey Society of CPAs (NJSCPA), Association of Certified Fraud Examiners (ACFE), Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA) and the American Bar Association (ABA). Bennett earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in accounting from Rutgers University. He is a certified public accountant (CPA), a certified fraud investigator (CFE), a certified financial forensics (CFF), a certified IT professional (CITP) and a registered investment advisor (RIA).

About Weaver

Originally founded in 1950, Weaver currently has approximately 500 employees and Texas offices in Austin, Dallas, Fort Worth, Houston, Midland, Odessa and San Antonio. The firm also

has locations in Denver, Colo., and Stamford, Conn. Weaver is ranked the largest independent accounting firm in the Southwest by *Accounting Today* magazine. The firm is also ranked the 37th largest firm in the United States by *INSIDE Public Accounting* and the 42nd largest firm by *Accounting Today*.

Weaver serves a broad range of clients including public and private national and international companies, and nonprofit organizations and governmental entities. In addition to traditional assurance and tax services, Weaver also provides numerous advisory services, including energy compliance and consulting; risk advisory; transaction advisory; IT advisory; forensic and litigation support; international tax; property tax; state and local tax; and wealth strategies services. Learn more at www.weaver.com.