

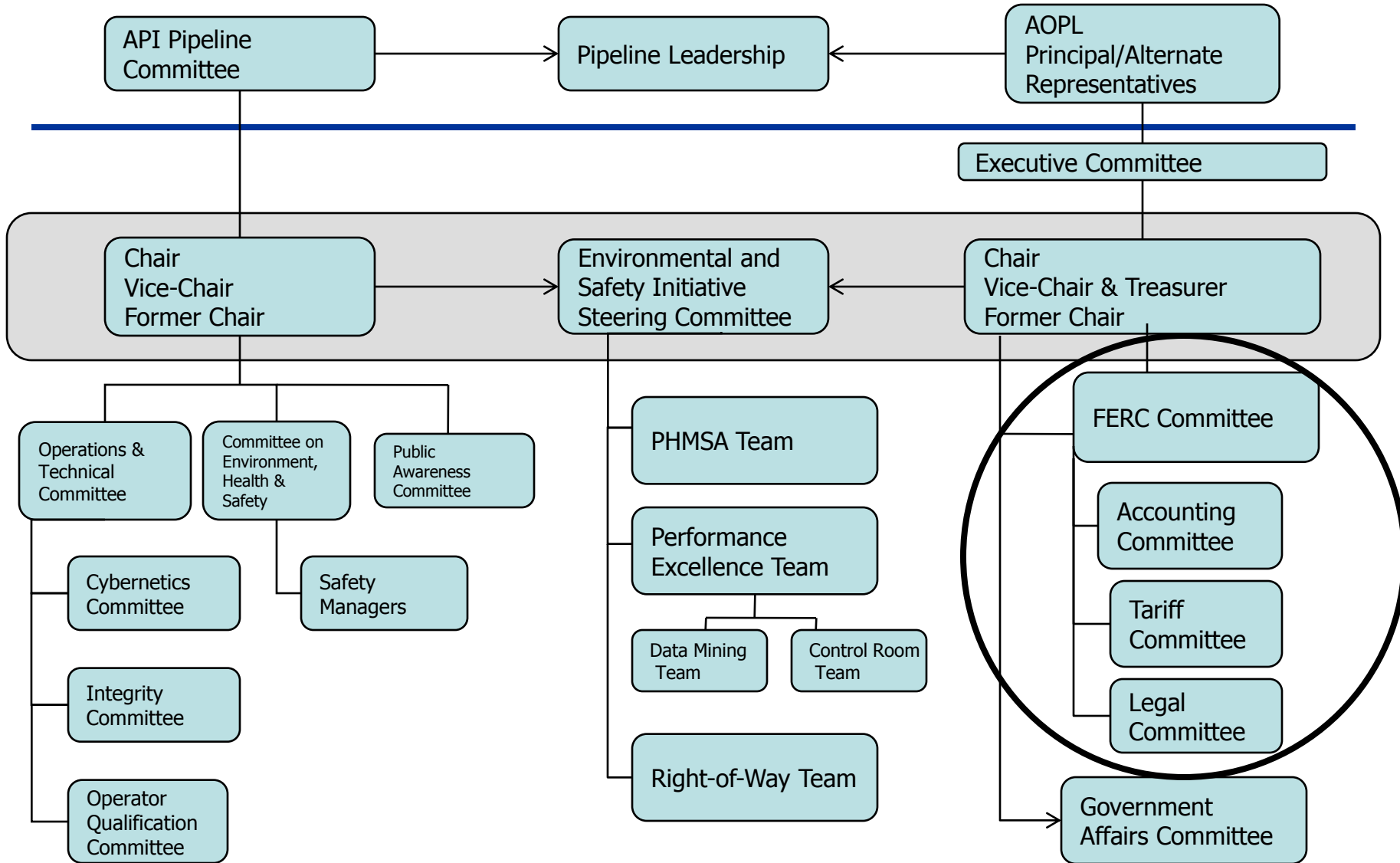
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# AOPL Committees: FERC Relations, Legal, Tariff and Accounting

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# 2009 AOPL/API Oil Pipeline Organizational Chart



**Institutional Relationships**



# AOPL FERC Relations Committee

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- The FERC Relations Committee sets the agenda for AOPL's interactions with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.
- FERC Relations Committee is comprised of senior executives from AOPL member companies.
- Determines the broader policy path forward for the AOPL Legal, Tariff, and Accounting Committees.
- Facilitates formation of teams to handle FERC issues of interest to AOPL members.

# AOPL Legal Committee

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- The Legal Committee is comprised of legal counsel from AOPL member companies.
- Provides a forum for members to discuss legal issues of interest to AOPL member companies.
- Reviews and provides guidance on legal and regulatory matters of interest to AOPL and its members.
- Forms task forces to address specific matters, such as responding to a rulemaking or preparing a legal brief.

# AOPL Tariff Committee

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- The Tariff Committee provides a forum for members to discuss tariff regulatory practices and issues.
- Generally comprised of personnel involved in tariff management.
- Committee members seek to promote education and understanding of federal and state tariff regulatory practices and issues, and facilitate streamlined pipeline tariff management.

# AOPL Accounting Committee

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- The AOPL Accounting Committee monitors issues of interest related to accounting, tax, and regulatory matters, provides a forum for discussion of such matters, and develops industry consensus and policy.
- Committee members engage with regulators at the federal, state, and local levels to educate and advocate AOPL and industry positions.
- Promote education and understanding of relevant issues of interest to AOPL members.

# Key FERC Issues for 2009

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- **Oil Pipeline Index Proceeding**

- The next annual adjustment (July 2009) is projected to be 7.6%.
- FERC will conduct a review of the pipeline rate index methodology in 2010. AOPL will be using expertise from the FERC Relations, Legal and Accounting Committees to review pertinent issues and strategize.

- **eTariff Implementation**

- Pursuant to FERC Order 714, tariffs will be filed electronically starting April 1, 2010.
- The industry, especially the Tariff Committee members, are currently preparing for the implementation process.

- **Form 6**

- The Commission chose not to issue a rulemaking to revise the adequacy of the Form 6 report.
- AOPL's Accounting Committee is currently working on an Accounting Guideline to facilitate standardized reporting, as well as advocate the use of the Committee-developed checklist to be included in FERC Form 6 submission software.