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John Westerheide is the Vice President & Chief Strategy Officer of Ming Energy Partners. Over the course of his 13-year career in the energy industry he established a proven track record of conceptualizing and implementing numerous enterprise level strategies that catalyze investment into new markets, technologies, and partnerships. A passion for problem solving has allowed John to gain tacit experience leading teams on an extremely diverse range of topics such as energy sustainability (*efficiency, emissions, CCUS, produced water*) and industrial digitalization (*AI, IIoT, AR/VR, UAV*). Prior to joining Ming Energy Partners John was Director - Innovation at Baker Hughes's Energy Innovation Center where he led teams of multidisciplinary technologists in the rapid development and piloting of disruptive oilfield solutions.

John earned a BBA from the University of Oklahoma with a double major in marketing and economics; and an MBA from the University of Oklahoma with a specialization in energy. John actively serves his community through Board of Advisor appointments on the Central & Southwest Oklahoma Chapter of the Red Cross and the University of Oklahoma Gene Rainbolt Graduate School of Business. John also serves as a Senior Advisor to the growing Oklahoma City Innovation District.