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Ray Ban provides consultative services to the weather/climate enterprise and is also a lecturer in the Meteorology Department at Penn State University, where he graduated from in 1973 with a degree in meteorology. He recently served as Chair of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Science Advisory Board, and was on the Board of Atmospheric Science and Climate of the National Academy of Sciences. Ban is a Fellow of the AMS and holds both the Television and Radio Seal of Approval, was the Commissioner on Professional Affairs for the AMS for six years, served as Councilor for three years and served on the inaugural Steering Committee of the AMS Commission on The Weather and Climate Enterprise. Ban is currently a member of the AMS Planning Commission and a Co-Chair of the Committee on Improving Climate Change Communication.

Ban is retired Executive Vice President of Programming, Operations and Meteorology at The Weather Channel, Inc. (TWC) and currently serves as consultant to TWC for Weather Industry and Government Partnerships. Currently, he is active on several Boards and Committees including Co-Chair of the Weather Coalition, a member of the Board of Directors of the Hydrologic Research Center and a member of the Advisory Council to The National Center for Atmospheric Research (NCAR). Ban also currently chairs the External Advisory Board to the Meteorology Department at Penn State and the National Academy of Sciences Committee on Developing a U.S. Research Agenda to Advance Sub-seasonal to Seasonal Forecasting.

Mr. Ban brings a strong commercial sector perspective to the Town Hall Meeting on Open Environmental Information Services.