

## Barbara Tulipane, President and Chief Executive Officer (CEO)



Barbara Tulipane joined the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) as president and CEO in 2008. As President and CEO, Tulipane is responsible for developing strategic partnerships, building organizational capacity, and working on national policy and advocacy efforts.

Tulipane is a former president and CEO for the Electronic Retailing Association (ERA), the \$7 million international trade association that represents the \$300 billion industry that uses television, radio, and the internet to sell their products and services. Tulipane had complete oversight for ERA's operation and its 25-person staff, including the government affairs program, the annual convention, professional development, *Electronic Retailer* (ERA's monthly publication), industry selfregulation programs, major awards, and international outreach.

Tulipane increased ERA's visibility in the trade community as

well as on Capitol Hill. She represented the industry before Members of Congress and the Federal Trade Communication (FTC), and was interviewed by *Dateline*, CNBC, CNN, BBC, and *The New York Times*. Before assuming the role of CEO, Tulipane joined ERA as the executive vice president in 2000. During this time, she implemented controls to evaluate and enhance the financial health of the organization.

Prior to working at ERA, Tulipane was the vice president of operations for NATSO Inc., a national trade association representing travel center owners and operators. Tulipane served as the industry spokesperson on issues related to fuel, rest area commercialization, and environmental matters. She led recruitment and retention efforts for membership, oversaw educational programs, and executed the annual convention where she successfully introduced a joint venture with the trucking industry that resulted in an increase in attendance of travel plaza operators each year.

Tulipane entered the association community in 1989 as the director of marketing for the Army and Air Force Mutual Aid Association (AAFMAA), a professional membership association whose mission is to care for soldiers' families in the event of their death. In her role, she was responsible for increasing membership, raising the association's visibility in the military community, and creating relevant services for young military families.

Tulipane began her career immediately following graduation from the University of Arizona, where she received her undergraduate degree in Sociology and Marketing. She is a Certified Association Executive (CAE) from the American Society of Association Executives (ASAE), holds a Masters in Public Administration from George Mason University and is a graduate of the Harvard Kennedy School of Government Senior Executive Fellows program.

House Appropriations Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies

## Witness Disclosure Form

Clause 2(g) of rule XI of the Rules of the House of Representatives requires nongovernmental witnesses to disclose to the Committee the following information. A non-governmental witness is any witness appearing on behalf of himself/herself or on behalf of an organization <u>other</u> than a federal agency, or a state, local or tribal government.

Your Name, Business Address, and Telephone Number:
Barbara Tulipane 22377 Belmont Ridge Road Ashburn, VA 20148 203-858-2140
<ol> <li>Are you appearing on behalf of yourself or a non-governmental organization? Please list organization(s) you are representing.</li> <li>National Recreation and Park Association</li> </ol>
<ul> <li>Have you or any organization you are representing received any Federal grants or contracts (including any subgrants or subcontracts) since October 1, 2008?</li> <li>Yes No</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>3. If your response to question #2 is "Yes", please list the amount and source (by agency and program) of each grant or contract, and indicate whether the recipient of such grant or contract was you or the organization(s) you are representing.</li> <li>Agency: United States Fish and Wildlife Service</li> <li>Program: National Outreach and Communication Program</li> <li>Recipient: Recreational Boating and Fishing Foundation (RBFF)</li> <li>Sub-recipient: NRPA</li> <li>Program: National Youth Fishing and Boating Initiative</li> <li>2008 - \$432,950</li> <li>2009 - \$500,763</li> <li>2010 - \$450,000</li> <li>2011 - \$324,635</li> </ul>

Agency: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Program: ACHIEVE Recipient: NRPA 2008 \$875,000 2009 \$875,000 2010 \$900,000 2011 \$900,000

Agency: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Program: Communities Putting Prevention to Work Recipient: NRPA 2010 \$1,112,010 over a 2-year period

Agency: U.S. Department of Defense Recipient: United States Olympic Committee Sub-recipient: NRPA 2009 \$200,000

Agency: U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Recipient: United States Olympic Committee Sub-recipient: NRPA 2010 \$250,000 2011 \$200,000

Signature:

Date:

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