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## **2009 AMS Summer Community Meeting**

10–13 August 2009

National Weather Center · Norman, Oklahoma

The American Meteorological Society (AMS), its Commission on the Weather and Climate Enterprise, and its Board on Enterprise Communication are proud to work with AMS members from all sectors (public, private, and academic), on a continuing basis, to advance the ability of the weather, water, and climate community to meet our nation's, and the world's demand for products and services relating to weather, water, climate, and other closely allied fields. An important tool to help accomplish this objective is the 2009 AMS Summer Community Meeting, held 10–13 August 2009 in the National Weather Center, located on the campus of the University of Oklahoma (OU) in Norman.

The two main questions addressed at this meeting:

- (1) What steps can our community take, in response to recent National Research Council recommendations, toward realizing a nationwide network of observational networks?
- (2) How can our community respond to the rapidly growing needs of the renewable energy industry?

A broad range of prominent companies and organizations stepped forward to sponsor the meeting, including: the OU National Weather Center, Iberdrola Renewables, Vaisala, the American Weather and Climate Industry Association, the National Council of Industrial Meteorologists, the National Hydrologic Warning Council, and Vieux, Inc.

The meeting was organized by the following AMS volunteers: John Gaynor of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Linda Miller of the University Corporation for Atmospheric Research (UCAR), John Snow of OU, Richard Eckman of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, George Frederick of Falcon Consultants, Veronica Johnson of NBC TV-4 in Washington D.C., Matt Parker, CCM of the Savannah River National Laboratory, Cindy Schmidt of UCAR, and Betsy Weatherhead of University of Colorado and NOAA. Marge Huntington and Gary Rasmussen of the AMS Headquarters staff in Boston worked with Amy Tougas at OU to provide meeting logistical support.