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## Resources and Developments Committee confirms two appointments to the Navajo Transitional Energy Company board

TSE BONITO, N.M. – On Tuesday, the Resources and Development Committee approved Legislation No. 0182-17, and 0190-17, which confirms the appointments of Aaron Rosetta and Lionel Haskie to serve on the Navajo Transitional Energy Company's board of directors for a term of three years.

Rosetta is originally from the community of Navajo, N.M. He is Táchii'nii (Red-Running-into-the-Water Clan) and born for Santo Domingo Pueblo. Rosetta is currently the majority shareholder, general manager, and chief executive officer for Nations Gas



PHOTO: Newly appointed members of the Navajo Transitional Energy Company Board of Directors (from left to right) Aaron Rosetta and Lionel Haskie were confirmed by the Resources and Development Committee.

Technologies Inc. and has a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration and a Bachelor of Arts in Economics.

Haskie is from Tsé ałnáoz't'l'í, N.M. and is of the Tl'ááshchí'í (Red Bottom People) and born for Ta'neeszahnii (Tangle People). Haskie currently serves as the operations and maintenance manager for Navajo Agricultural Products Industry. In addition, he has professional experience in the fields of agricultural, residential, commercial, and industrial development for 17 years and previously served as a project manager and interim CEO for NAPI and several engineering firms. He has a Bachelor of Science degree in Civil Engineering.

Legislation sponsors Council Delegate Dwight Witherspoon (Black Mesa, Forest Lake, Hardrock, Pinon, Whippoorwill) and Council Delegate Tom Chee (Shiprock) stated that NTEC's authority for management of business affairs, operations, and functions of the company are vested in the board members.

"The two young individuals were highly recommended from President [Russell] Begaye and I strongly believe they will bring their knowledge and skills to NTEC," stated Delegate Chee.

Navajo Transitional Energy Company, LLC, is an enterprise of the Navajo Nation that was created to promote the development of the Navajo Nation's resources and new sources of energy, power, transmission, and attendant resources to develop the economic, financial, social, and cultural well-being of the Navajo people and the Nation.

The legislations stated that the NTEC board members should have substantial knowledge, understanding, and competency in the coal and solar resources for power and energy.

RDC member Council Delegate Davis Filfred (Mexican Water, Aneth, Teecnospos, Tółikan, Red Mesa) thanked the two candidates for applying for the board positions.

"I commend the two individuals for applying. It will be a new challenge for them, but the committee believes they will do a great job to improve the company," stated Delegate Filfred.

The Resources and Development Committee approved Legislation No. 0182-17 and 0190-17 with a 3-0 vote and serves as the final authority for the bills.

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