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**Date: 8/21/24**

**To: ETAC**

**From: Carla Vita, Director Energy Transition**

## RE: ETAC School Representative Update

### Background

When ETAC was created in 2021, the legislation had representation from cities, counties, utilities, workers, Prairie Island Indian Community, Coalition of Utility Cities, non-profits, state agencies, etc. (All but state agencies are voting members.) One area of representation missing from ETAC was K-12 schools that are also impacted by the power plant closures.

In February 2024, Staff brought to ETAC the consideration to add a K-12 school representative to ETAC. DEED would present the request to the State Legislature. At the meeting ETAC agreed for the need and requested that the State Legislature add a School Representative.

The State Legislature added a K-12 voting member last legislative session.

### Updates

The Secretary of State office received applications at the closure of applications on July 31, 2024. The applicants were requested to submit letter(s) of recommendation for their application. These were received and the review process has begun.

**Energy Transition Advisory Committee (ETAC)**

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Attachment A

**2024 Members**

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| **Representing** | **Name** |
| **Voting** |  |
| Senate Majority Appointment | **Grant Hauschild** |
| Senate Minority Appointment | **Karin Housley** |
| Speaker of the House Appointment | **Josiah Hill** |
| House Minority Appointment | **Shane Mekeland** |
| Prairie Island Member | **Michael Childs Jr** |
| Impacted Communities - County Representative #1 | **Tamara Lowney** |
| Impacted Communities - Municipal Representative #1 | **Marshall Hallock** |
| Impacted Communities - County Representative #2 | **Gregg Felber** |
| Impacted Communities - Municipal Representative #2 | **Mary McComber** |
| Impacted Worker at Impacted Facility #1 | **Mike Hoppe** |
| Impacted Worker at Impacted Facility #2 | **Kristin Renskers** |
| Impacted Worker at Impacted Facility #3 | **Luke Lallemont** |
| Impacted Worker Employed by Company under Contract | **Richard Sackett** |
| Professional Economic Development or Workforce Retraining Experience Representative | **Abigail Wozniak** |
| Utilities that Operate an impacted Facility #1 | **Trisha Duncan** |
| Utilities that Operate an impacted Facility #2 | **Joshua Skelton** |
| Nonprofit Organization with expertise and experience delivering energy efficiency and conservation programs | **Alyssa Eilers** |
| Coalition of Utility Cities Representative | **Shane Zahrt** |
| **Non-Voting** |  |
| Commissioner - Department of Employment and Economic Development (or Designee) | **Matt Varilek** |
| Commissioner - Department of Commerce (or Designee) | **Louise Miltich** |
| Commissioner - Department of Labor and Industry (or Designee) | **Jeremy Parker** |
| Commissioner - Department of Revenue (or Designee) | **Jeremy Neeck** |
| Executive Secretary of the Public Utilities Commission (or Designee) | **William Seuffert** |
| Commissioner - Pollution Control Agency (or Designee) | **Frank Kohlasch** |
| Chancellor - Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (or Designee) | **Rose Patzer** |
| Governor (or Designee) | **Nicauris Heredia Rosario** |