

RESOLUTION FOR APPROVAL OF REAPPOINTMENTS TO THE VIRGINIA COAL AND ENERGY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY BOARD

WHEREAS, the Virginia Coal and Energy Research and Development Advisory Board was established in 1977 by the enabling legislation for the Virginia Center for Coal and Energy Research and this legislation requires that the Virginia Tech Board of Visitors approve new appointments, reappointments, and changes in the membership of the advisory board; and

WHEREAS, proposed reappointments are: K. Scott Keim, J. Scott Kreutzer, George Mason, and Michael Onifer; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Keim is CEO and Partner of Marshall Miller & Associates, Inc., has 35 years of experience as a geologist, received a B.S. in geosciences from The Pennsylvania State University, has served on the board of directors of the Penn State Research Foundation, and is a professional engineer in Kansas, Kentucky, and Virginia; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Kreutzer is senior vice president, Land and Environmental Affairs at Contura Energy Services, LLC, received a J.D. from Northern Kentucky University (1997) and a B.A. in history from Transylvania University (1993), and has more than 20 years of experience in law and in the coal, gas, and oil industries; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Mason is the principal of George Mason Law Firm, PSC, representing companies and individuals interested in developing oil, gas, and coal properties, received a B.A. and a J.D. from the University of Kentucky, is licensed to practice law in Kentucky, Tennessee, Virginia, West Virginia, Pennsylvania, and Ohio; and held positions of authority in major energy companies in the region for 18 years before establishing his own practice in 2002; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Onifer has retired as senior vice president from CNX Gas, has a B.S. in mining engineering from Virginia Tech (1978), was named a Distinguished Alumnus of the Virginia Tech Department of Mining and Minerals Engineering in 2012, and has more than 35 years of experience in the coal and gas industries; and

WHEREAS, the experience and credentials of all nominees qualify them to serve on this advisory board;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that K. Scott Keim, J. Scott Kreutzer, George Mason, and Michael Onifer be reappointed to the Virginia Center for Coal and Energy Research and Development Advisory Board to serve through 2021.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board of Visitors approve this resolution.

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