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# Memo

**Date: 2/6/24**

**To: ETAC**

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

## RE: Consideration – Adding a School Representative to ETAC

### Background

Currently ETAC has representation from cities – counties – utilities – workers – Prairie Island Indian Community – Coalition of Utility Cities – non-profits – state agencies – more. All but state agencies are voting members. Please see attachment A for specifics.

One area of representation is missing from ETAC that is impacted by the closures: K-12 schools.

Staff met with DEED’s Government Relations Director, Darielle Dannen, and she is willing and prepared to introduce legislation to add school representation to ETAC for this legislative session starting soon, but only upon approval of ETAC.

### Recommendation

Determine if adding schools to ETAC as a voting member should be pursued.

Roll call vote.

**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** |