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NZC-015-2026

NENAHNEZAD CHAPTER SUPPORTS NAVAJO TRANSITIONAL ENERGY COMPANY, LLC'S CONTINUANCE OF MINING OPERATIONS AT THE NAVAJO MINE BY PERMITTING THE REMAINING AREA OF THE EXISTING NAVAJO COAL MINE LEASE

WHEREAS:

1. Pursuant to 26 N.N.C. §3 (A), the Nenahnezad Chapter was certified on November 10, 1955 as a Chapter of the Navajo Nation and is listed under 11 N.N.C., Part 1, §(B), the Nenahnezad Chapter is delegated the governmental authority to make decisions over local matters consistent with Navajo Laws including custom, tradition, and fiscal matters; and
2. Pursuant to 26 N.N.C. Section 103 (A), Nenahnezad Chapter membership area authorized to oversee the authority delegated to the chapter, and pursuant to 26 N.N.C., Section 1004 (A), Nenahnezad Chapter shall enact by resolutions plans of operation, for all executive functions and administrative policies of the chapter; and
3. Navajo Transitional Energy Company, LLC (NTEC) was created by the Navajo Nation pursuant to Navajo Nation Council Resolution No. CAP-20-13 (April 30, 2013) as amended by CO-58-13 (October 24, 2013) to develop and manage the Nation's conventional, alternative, and renewable energy resources; and
4. NTEC generates significant revenue to the Navajo Nation General Fund and sustains the Navajo economy through employment and vendor contracts; and
5. NTEC is working with the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement (OSMRE) to obtain a permit to mine the remaining area within the existing Navajo Mine lease boundary, as show in Exhibit A: and
6. Nenahnezad Chapter has reviewed the information regarding NTEC's new permit area within the existing Navajo Mine lease boundary and recognizes the significance of NTEC's positive contributions to Navajo People, the Navajo economy and the Navajo Nation; and
7. This action is in the best interest of the community.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. Nenahnezad Chapter hereby supports the NTEC's efforts in continuing operations at the Navajo Mine by permitting the remaining area within the existing Navajo Mine lease boundary to be mined.
2. Nenahnezad Chapter submits this Resolution to OSMRE as part of the public comment process associated with the new permit.
The specific area of land to be included in the new permit is attached to this Resolution as Exhibit A.

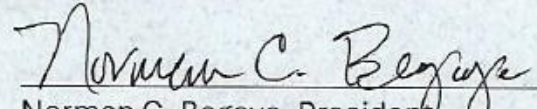
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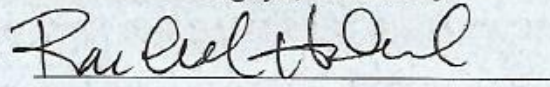
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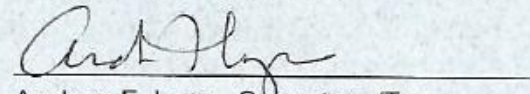
We hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly considered by the Nenahnezad Chapter at a duly called meeting at Nenahnezad, (New Mexico) Navajo Nation. A motion was made by **Lucinda Yellowman-Bennalley** and seconded by **Alexia Lope** and the same was passed by a vote of **38** in favor, **0** opposed, and **01** abstained, on this **8th day of December 2025**.

CONCURRED:

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