



BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION FORM FOR NHA BOARD ELECTIONS



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Type of Company (independent power producer, investor owned utility, municipal utility, manufacturer, equipment supplier, engineering firm, law firm or other): rPlus Hydro LLC is a pumped storage development company

- Please circle appropriate description. Your company is:

regional

national

state

- Please circle:

Northwest

West

Southwest

Midwest

Middle Atlantic

Northeast

Southeast

- How long have you been with your present company?

Three years.

- How long have you been in your present position?

Three years.

- **Briefly describe the responsibilities of your position and of your department or division as appropriate.**

The Director of Engineering (DoE) is a leadership position and plays both strategic and technical roles inside the company. As DoE, I provide direction and set goals of engineering studies and project execution plans in consultation with the executive team of rPlus Hydro and rPlus Energies. Advancing our portfolio of 12 pumped storage projects, totaling approximately 7.4 GW / 60GWh capacity, and converting development vision and strategies into engineering blueprints and preparing them towards construction is my key role. In this capacity, I manage procurement of engineering studies and oversee studies and investigation working together with our engineering teams and partners.

- **Your work experience has provided you with an opportunity to develop important skills. As an NHA board of director, particular leadership and management skills are necessary to ensure that the Association receives policy direction and that it stays on course in responding to member's needs. Briefly describe the strengths and / or particular skills you would bring to the Board of Directors.**

I bring profound interest and more than 25 years of industry experience in generic hydropower project development, from within the US and globally. I recently stepped into the pumped storage project development realm after joining rPlus three years ago and my primary focus is to support development of pumped storage projects.

My experience ranges from feasibility studies, research and investigations, project planning, project development, engineering, detailed design, upgrade and refurbishment, project management, project evaluation, due diligence, project audits, tendering and project procurement services, construction supervision, construction management, commissioning of plant as well as contracts administration of hydropower projects. I have also managed projects for harnessing energy from existing non-powered dams and pipelines as well as adding fish bypass facilities in existing dams.

See additional information about my professional journey in the attached interview published in the September 2022 issue of Hydro Leader.

- **Have you been actively involved in NHA over the last several years, served on committees, etc?**

I have been a member through rPlus hydro and other previous employer NHA member organizations such as AECOM, MWH, Mead & Hunt since 2009.

- **If you are elected to the board, what are the specific priorities that you would pursue?**

Promote pumped storage projects by sharing our project development experience from 12 projects across 9 states with the industry and providing the project developer perspective to this rapidly growing segment of the industry.

- **Is there anything you would like to add?**

Looking forward to working with the NHA Team and the Board of Directors if my nomination is successful.

- **Gender Identification**

Female

Male

Other

Prefer not to answer

- **Age**

< 30

30-39

40-49

50-59

60-69

>70

- **Race**

American Indian / Alaskan Native

Asian

Black / African American

Hispanic

Native Hawaiian / Other Pacific Islander

White

Other

Prefer not to answer