

RESOLUTION OF THE  
RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE  
Of the 23rd Navajo Nation Council---Second Year 2016

AN ACTION  
RELATING TO RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE; REAPPOINTMENT  
OF BELINDA P. ERIACHO TO SERVE ON THE NAVAJO TRIBAL UTILITY  
AUTHORITY MANAGEMENT BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR A TERM OF THREE  
YEARS

SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY

A. Pursuant to 2 N.N.C. §500(C), the Resources and Development Committee (Committee) shall exercise oversight authority over public utilities.

B. Pursuant to 2 N.N.C. § 501 (B)(9), the enumerated power of the Committee is to grant final confirmation of appointments to enterprise boards.

SECTION TWO. FINDINGS

A. Pursuant to 21 N.N.C. § 2, the Navajo Nation established the Nation Tribal Utility Authority (NTUA) as an enterprise.

B. The NTUA is authorized to acquire, construct, operate and maintain utility systems throughout the Navajo Nation. See 21 N.N.C. §1 (B).

C. The general purpose of NTUA is to operate, maintain and promote existing utility systems furnishing electric, gas, water, sewer utility services; generation, and telecommunications and information services for the benefit of residents of the Navajo Nation; including establishment, ownership, operation and maintenance of electric generating, telecommunications and information services on or off the Navajo Reservation; and to provide utility generation, telecommunications and information services on a non-profit basis and at a reasonable cost to residents of the Navajo Nation consistent with the economical operations of the Enterprise. See 21 N.N.C. §5(A)(1)-(6).

D. The NTUA Management Board shall have the delegated authority and responsibility for the management and operation of the Enterprise. See 21 N.N.C. §7(1).

E. The management board shall consist of seven persons, all of whom shall be appointed by the Government Services Committee of the Navajo Nation Council; whose authority to confirm appointments to enterprise boards has been delegated to the Resources and Development Committee. See 21 N.N.C. § 21 N.N.C. § 9 (A); See also 2 N.N.C. § 501 (B) (9).

F. Members of the board shall be called directors, and shall have the following qualifications: (1) [f]our of the directors shall be members of the Navajo Nation who speak English with fluently and who have sufficient education and experience and experience to qualify them for learning utility business practices and procedures and making sound judgment; (2)[f]our of the directors shall be persons having not less than 10 years experience in business management of substantial character and at least two of such person shall have had such experience in the management and operation of a utility business. See 21 N.N.C. § 9 (B) (1)-(2).

G. Directors shall be eligible for reappointment, See 21 N.N.C. §9(C) (1).

H. Vacancies in the management board may be filled for an unexpired term of the vacant office. See 21 N.N.C. §9(C) (2).

I. On February 16, 2015, during the Resources and Development Committee interview, Ms. Belinda Eriacho was selected to be reappointed to the NTUA management board. See Exhibit A (NTUA Board Selection, Feb. 17, 2016); See also 21 N.N.C. §9(A); See also 2 N.N.C. §501(B) (9).

J. Ms. Belinda Eriacho has expressed her continued interest in being reappointed as a Director to the NTUA management board. See Exhibit B (Letter of Interest); See also 21 N.N.C. § 9 (C) (1).

K. Ms. Belinda Eriacho meets the qualifications listed under, 21 N.N.C. §9 (B) (1)-(2). See Exhibit C (Resume); See also Exhibit D (Certificate of Indian Blood).

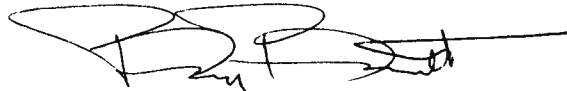
L. The reappointment of Ms. Belinda Eriacho will be for a period of three years starting from October 2015 and will expire with the annual board meeting in October 2018. See 21 N.N.C. §9(C)(2).

**SECTION THREE. CONFIRMING RE-APPOINTMENT**

The Navajo Nation Council Resources and Development Committee finds that Ms. Belinda P. Eriacho meet the required qualifications to be reappointed as a director for the NTUA management board as set forth in 21 N.N.C. §9(B)(1)-(2), and hereby reappoints Ms. Belinda P. Eriacho for a term of three years, with the term expiring at the annual board meeting in October 2018.

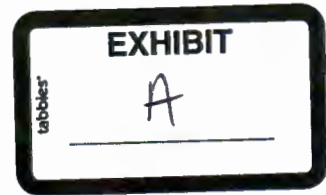
**CERTIFICATION**

I, hereby, certify that the foregoing resolution was duly considered by the Resources and Development Committee of the 23<sup>rd</sup> Navajo Nation Council at a duly called meeting at Twin Arrows Casino Resort, (Navajo Nation) Twin Arrows, Arizona, at which quorum was present and the same was passed by a vote of 3 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstained this 11<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2016.



Benjamin Bennett Vice-Chairperson  
Resources and Development Committee  
Of the 23<sup>rd</sup> Navajo Nation Council

Motion: Davis Filfred  
Second: Leonard Pete



February 17, 2015

Walter Haase, General Manager  
Navajo Tribal Utility Authority  
Post Office Box 587  
Fort Defiance, Arizona 86515

Subject: NTUA Board Selection

Dear Mr. Haase:

With this letter, I am respectfully informing you that Resources and Development Committee conducted their interview February 16, 2016 and after the conclusion of the interview, the Committee compiled their interview points and selected Ms. Belinda Eriacho to be reappointed to the NTUA Management Board.

A request for service will be submitted to Office of Legislative Counsel to a draft legislation for Ms. Eriacho's reappointment this week and hopefully will have the legislation posted by next week. The other position held by Mr. Leonard Tsosie, it was the consensus of the Committee members, that position will be filled by an RDC member. RDC has a special meeting scheduled on Friday, March 19<sup>th</sup>, and the on Friday, matter will be placed on the agenda for discussion.

As always, thank you for your hospitality in allowing for RDC to conduct their meeting at NTUA Headquarters.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Alton Joe Shepherd". The signature is stylized with a large, circular loop at the beginning and a long, horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Alton Joe Shepherd, Honorable Council Delegate  
23<sup>rd</sup> Navajo Nation Council



Mr. Walter Haase, General Manager  
Navajo Tribal Utility Authority  
P.O. Box 170  
Fort Defiance, Arizona 86504

Re: Letter of Interest

Mr. Haase,

I would like to express an interest in participating on the NTUA Management Board. I have 25 years of experience in the utility business as I am currently employed with Pinnacle West Capital Corporation/Arizona Public Service Company. In addition, I have over 26 years of experience in the areas of environmental, health, safety, department of transportation requirements, risk management, and internal auditing.

I have attached a copy of my resume for your reference. If you have any additional questions I can be reached at (480) Ahéhee in advance for your consideration.

Belinda P. Eriacho  
(Honágháahnii dóó Naasht'ézhí báshíshchiin)  
; Judd Street  
Tempe, Arizona 85283

Attachment (1)



# BELINDA P. ERIACHO, CPEA, CPSA, REM



## PROFILE

Accomplished professional with over 26 years of experience in health, safety, and department of transportation, and environmental requirements, internal controls, risk management, management systems auditing, project management, and environmental. Practical experience and knowledge associated with utility operation including: service centers, nuclear, gas & oil, and coal generating power plants. Has a proven ability to work with multi-discipline teams to achieve results associated with compliance, identification of risk, and migration strategies.

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

PINNACLE WEST CAPITAL CORPORATION/ ARIZONA PUBLIC SERVICE- *Phoenix, Arizona*

1991 - Present

### ***Environmental, Health, and Safety Audit Leader***

- Oversee audit and consultant engagements and the environmental, health, and safety (EHS) and other operating auditing life cycle, including risk analysis, managing schedules of teams, budgets, team assignments, review engagement memo, material data requests, work papers and perform quality assurance on auditing process.
- Track metrics for engagements to overall department metrics and targets related to budgets, productive time, etc.
- Hire and manage professional auditing personnel, create development and career plans, ensure accountability and motivate employee to meet department metrics.
- Create EHS trends reports (include recommendations) and provide a verbal report on the results with Executive and Senior management
- Monitor and provide recommendations to business units to address auditing findings and recommendations from self-assessment, compliance audits, and consulting engagements. These recommended actions address corrective and preventive actions.
- Interact and communicate frequently with generation, transmission and distribution operational management, front-line personnel on compliance related matters and management system initiatives.
- Maintains on-going communications with line management, director and executive level management, as well as with the Law Department regarding compliance matters.
- Collaborate with other professional organizations to perform benchmarking in order to identify strengths and improvement opportunities.
- Work collaboratively with ASD management team to perform benchmarks and develop strategic direction for the future and in-line with the Company's business model.
- Provide executive management with timely information and advice regarding compliance issues associated with various business units and operations of the company.
- Performed self-assessment and compliance audits of utility operations related to environmental, health, safety (EHS), department of transportation, and affirmative action.
- Provide consulting engagements related to ISO 14001 management systems audits and OSHA Voluntary Protection Program, Corporate Sustainability Reporting, Vegetation Management, Water Resource Reporting.
- Provide guidance, review, and oversight of contractor on the development of risk mapping process and a 5 year Audit Plan.
- Project manager for compliance and consulting engagements throughout the audit life cycle.
- Perform internal quality assurance assessments associated with the audit life cycle and monitor audit activities progress towards departmental metrics.
- Interface with clients on EHS and Department of Transportation with frontline employees, EHS/DOT professionals and various level of management, including Executive Management.
- Identify improvement opportunities and implement creative solutions to improve department efficiencies.

### **Senior Scientist**

- Functioned as an EHS Auditor and assist with the development and implementation of EHS programs in order to meet regulatory requirements company-wide.
- Provided recommendations to procedures, processes, internal controls, and operational changes to help ensure compliance Federal, State and local EHS laws, regulations, licenses, and permits.
- Perform EHS audits and self-assessment of the generating plants, transmission and distribution operations, and administrative business offices.

### **Environmental Scientist**

- Progressive responsibilities associated with monitoring, auditing, assessing compliance and providing recommendations in industrial hygiene and waste management programs, including: hazardous, special, solid waste, used oil, underground storage tanks, and polychlorinated biphenyls.
- Development of EHS audit protocols, audit reports and track findings to closure.
- Conducted company-wide audits of various EHS programs, including performing gap analysis and providing recommendations to management for implementation.
- Developed, coordinated and implemented a company-wide Vendor Audit Program in order to reduce risks and liabilities to the company.
- Provided guidance and assistance with corporate wide occupational health programs to achieved regulatory compliance objectives.
- Communicated and advised personnel about hazards in the work place, safe use and substitution of various chemical and physical agents.
- Provided technical support to generation operations on sealed source radiation. Maintained the hazardous chemical tracking systems and managed the Hazard Communication Program.
- Assisted with the development of training curriculum, design of training facilities, and performed Confined Space training for Transmission and Distribution field personnel.
- Updated and maintain the compliance guidelines relative to Occupational Health.
- Provided technical support to personnel on various environmental programs.
- Conducted quality assurance and control of environmental laboratories performing analytical results for the company, calibrated and maintained industrial hygiene equipment.

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US PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE, DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES  
NAVAJO AREA INDIAN HEALTH SERVICES: OSHMB – Window Rock, Arizona

1990

### **Junior Health Administrative Officer**

- Conducted occupational health surveys; inspected medical facilities against National Fire Protection Life Safety Code requirements.
- Revised the Hazard Communication manual and performed inspections of medical facilities.

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VARIOUS ORGANIZATIONS

1987-1990

### **Health Educator and Training Coordinator**

### **EDUCATION**

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ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY, TEMPE, ARIZONA  
*Master of Technology, Emphasis: Hazardous Materials & Waste Management*

1995

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN,  
*Summer Institute in Occupational Epidemiology*

1992

UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII, HONOLULU, HAWAII  
*Master of Public Health, Emphasis: Environmental & Occupational Health*

1990

ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY, TEMPE, ARIZONA  
*Bachelor of Science, Emphasis: Health Sciences*

1986

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## **REGISTRATIONS/CERTIFICATION**

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### **CERTIFIED PROFESSIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL AUDITOR**

*Board of Environmental, Health and Safety Auditing Certification, Health and Safety  
No. 26*

### **CERTIFIED PROFESSIONAL HEALTH & SAFETY AUDITOR**

*Board of Environmental, Health and Safety Auditing Certification, Environmental  
No. 147*

### **CERTIFIED PROCESS SAFETY AUDITOR**

*Board of Environmental, Health and Safety Auditing Certification, Environmental  
No. 94*

### **CERTIFIED HAZARDOUS WASTE OPERATIONS WORKER**

ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY POLYTECHNICAL

### **ISO 14001: 2004 EMS LEAD AUDITOR**

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### **REGISTERED ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGER**

*National Registry of Environmental Professionals  
No. REM 08973*

### **ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY, TEMPE, ARIZONA**

*Certificate of Hazardous Materials*

### **EXECUTIVE PROGRAM IN SAFETY MANAGEMENT**

AMERICAN SOCIETY OF SAFETY ENGINEERS

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## **RELEVANT TRAINING**

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Incident Investigation, Root Cause Analysis, & Effective CAPA Programs  
Problem Solving including Root Cause Analysis & Corrective Action Tracking

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## **AREAS OF EXPERTISE**

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- Health, Safety, Environmental and Department of Transportation compliance, operational, and vendor due diligence auditing
- Internal Auditing
- Risk methodology and trending
- Knowledge and application of OSHA, EPA, DOT requirements
- Project management, scheduling and budgeting
- Management systems auditing
- Utility business operations



Vital Statistics Technician

RECEIVED

DATE OF BIRTH

AGE

DEGREE OF NAVAJO INDIAN BLOOD, and with Roll Number

DATE, dated January 1, 1969, which is an official record of this office as being

I certify that Belinda Pearl Brachio is listed on the Navajo Indian Census

Date

Feb. 07, 1969

Agency

FORT DEFENCE

(To be used if applicant is enrolled)

Part A

CERTIFICATE OF NAVAJO INDIAN BLOOD

RECEIVED AT ALBUQUERQUE

10 MAY 1969

PETER WIDONALIN, CHAIRMAN  
THE NAVAJO TRIBAL COUNCIL  
JOHANN R. THOMPSON, VICE CHAIRMAN  
THE NAVAJO TRIBAL COUNCIL

THE NAVAJO NATION

