

News Release

Nunavut Power Corporation President and CEO announced

IQALUIT, Nunavut (May 10, 2000) –Minister Responsible for the Nunavut Power Corporation Ed Picco is pleased to announce the appointment of R. A. (Rick) Blennerhassett as President and Chief Executive Officer of the Nunavut Power Corporation.

Reporting to Minister Picco, Mr. Blennerhassett comes to the Nunavut Power Corporation with extensive experience in power production and distribution. Since 1995 Mr. Blennerhassett has been the Vice President Operations and Chief Engineer of the Northwest Territories Power Corporation. Prior to that he has worked as Chief Engineer for St. Catharines Hydro and has spent 20 years working with the Nova Scotia Power Corporation in many capacities within the utility.

"With his broad experience and knowledge, gained in southern Canada and particularly in the North, Mr. Blennerhassett will be a definite asset to the Nunavut Power Corporation," Minister Picco said.

Mr. Blennerhassett will work closely with Peter Scott, who recently joined the Department of Executive and Intergovernmental Affairs as the new Director of the Nunavut Power Corporation Implementation Secretariat. Their mandate will be to establish capacity in Nunavut to supply and deliver electrical energy to Nunavut communities in 2001.

Mr. Scott, on transfer assignment from the Department of Community Government and Transportation until the summer of 2001, is a long-time Nunavut resident and civil servant. He spent 14 years with the Northwest Territories Housing Corporation in program delivery, then in senior management. Since April 1, 1999 he has been Acting Regional Superintendent of Community Government and Transportation in the Baffin.

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