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Energy Council of Canada Announces New President – January 22, 2018

On behalf of the Energy Council's Board of Directors, I am excited to announce the new President of the Energy Council of Canada. Following an extensive search process, I am pleased to report that Mr. Jacob Irving will assume the role, beginning January 22, 2018.

Jacob comes to us from the Canadian Hydropower Association where he has served as their President. He is very well known to many of our members, given his longstanding participation on our Board of Directors and his active engagement in our Program Committee. His nearly twenty-year career in the energy industry has been divided almost evenly between the petroleum and hydropower sectors. He has spent a little more than half of this time successfully managing energy industry associations.

Originally from the Huron and Franco-Ontarian community of Penetanguishene, Jacob attended primary and secondary school entirely in French which led him to pursue his post-secondary studies at the University of Ottawa. His education and work experience has taken him from Ottawa, to South Africa, to Calgary, to Fort McMurray and most recently, back to Ottawa.

He brings significant acquired knowledge of Canadian energy systems generally but also a specialization in the areas of government policy, regulation, communications and stakeholder relations. From working as a surface rights negotiator in Alberta to heading regional and national industry associations, he brings a wealth of theoretical and practical knowledge from the ever-evolving realm of social acceptability.

The Energy Council of Canada is very pleased to welcome Jacob Irving as the incoming President. We are confident that his leadership will enable the Energy Council to advance our unique mission and deliver on our ambitious mandate. He can be reached at 613-854-1972 or jacob@energy.ca.

On behalf of the Energy Council's Executive Committee and Board of Directors, I offer our sincere appreciation to our current President, Graham Campbell, for his many excellent contributions over the last four years since December 2013. Under Graham's leadership, the Energy Council has worked towards achieving the Council's four strategic goals and its vision of *an affordable, stable and environmentally-sound energy future providing the greatest benefits for all Canadians*. It has been a pleasure to work closely with Graham to advance our mutual goals. We wish Graham well in his retirement and look forward to his ongoing contributions as a Lifetime Honourary Member of the Energy Council of Canada.

With my best regards,

Colin Andersen
Chair,
Energy Council of Canada