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Deputy minister appointed to lead Yukon Development Corporation hydroelectric work

WHITEHORSE—A new deputy minister position has been created in the Department of Energy, Mines and Resources to lead the Yukon Development Corporation's (YDC) work on hydroelectric power in the territory. Greg Komaromi has been appointed to this new position effective immediately.

"The Government of Yukon has provided two million dollars in this year's budget to advance our bold vision for securing the long-term renewable energy future of our territory," Premier Darrell Pasloski said. "We have directed the Yukon Development Corporation to plan a next generation hydroelectric power project and I have every confidence that Mr. Komaromi is the right person to lead this important work."

The new deputy minister position will act solely as the president of YDC and lead its mandate to promote the economic development of Yukon. The corporation is preparing a business case for the next large hydro project.

"Mr. Komaromi's strong entrepreneurial background and deep understanding of energy policy will greatly benefit our work on this project," Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources Scott Kent said. "As deputy minister of Energy, Mines and Resources, he made many valuable contributions and his leadership in this new role will continue to serve Yukoners well."

"I look forward to working with Mr. Komaromi to plan and implement this significant work, which will benefit Yukoners for generations to come," Yukon Development Corporation chair Joanne Fairlie said. "He will bring much-needed leadership experience to the corporation."

Komaromi holds a master of business administration degree from Queen's University, as well as a bachelor of arts degree with a double major in political science and anthropology from the University of Alberta.

Recruitment will begin immediately for the other deputy minister position in the Department of Energy, Mines and Resources. In the interim, Shirley Abercrombie will serve as acting deputy minister. Abercrombie is currently the assistant deputy minister of the Energy, Corporate Policy and Communications Branch.

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