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Summary

Mr. Bennett has served on the Green Governance Committee of the Spotsylvania, VA Board of County Commissioners and a Board member of a 1600 home community, Fawn Lake, near Fredericksburg, VA. He also served briefly on the Transportation Planning Organization of Fredericksburg/Stafford, VA until the TPO was reorganized. Currently he is active as mentor to local entrepreneurs and posts a weekly blog focused on informing the region on the economic vitality of the region. He led the relocation of manufacturing operations in Tampa to the Westinghouse Pensacola plant where he served as Marketing Manager from 1980 through 1985 before Westinghouse took him away from Pensacola. [n.b. At that time William Griffith of Pensacola was General Manager of the Westinghouse operations in Pensacola.]

As dynamic global executive with 50 years of experience in businesses in over 70 countries, Mr. Bennett is adept at building consensus among diverse groups. Throughout his career he has worked with groups with extremely varied backgrounds and cultural values. He gains public acceptance by working well with government, regulators, the public, and special interest groups to define vision and expectations guided by his personal discipline and integrity. He is adept at achieving conflict resolution and unifying a diversity of goals, views, and objectives. By adapting to local interests and involving the affected community in the decision processes he motivates people to act in a coordinated fashion.

Mr. Bennett has served on 15 Boards of Directors in seven countries. Among these are: Chairman of the Board for Westinghouse, Italy; Board member of PCR Holdings Inc. (US); Board member of S/D Engineers (US); Board member of Unimation Europe Limited (UK); and Trustee of the Westinghouse Pension Fund (UK).

Professional Experience

Chairman of the Board, Executive Director, and Chief Executive Officer (2016 – Present), Zero Energy Foundation Incorporated, Pensacola, Florida. Mr. Bennett founded this 501 c (3) nonprofit in 2016, dedicated to improving the economic well-being of disadvantaged people while protecting the environment and wildlife.

President (2003 to Present), Enviromation Incorporated, Pensacola, Florida. Mr. Bennett founded this renewable energy project development services company in 1995, specializing in successfully setting up the financial, regulatory, and technical frameworks for renewable project implementation. He has been an advisor to: British Energy (UK), British Nuclear Fuels Limited (UK), Northern Polyethylene (Pakistan), Pakistan Hydel (Pakistan), Grupo Guascor (Spain), AEA Technology (UK), Jardines Matheson (UK), Elliott Turbomachinery (US), Northcoast Energy (U.S.), AEA Technology Engineering Services Company (US), Washington Group International (US), and the U.S. Trade and Development Agency (USTDA).

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Chairman of the Board (2009 to 2016), United States Green Energy Corporation, Danville, Virginia. Founded and started up the United States Green Energy Corporation, a manufacturer of solarized building materials.

President (2003 to Present), Boathouse Investments Inc., Pensacola, Florida. Founded a private investment company to invest in clean and green buildings and building products.

Senior Vice President Operations (COO) (1997-2003), PCR Holdings Inc., Monroeville, Pennsylvania. Mr. Bennett as part owner led this privately held environmental consulting and power project development company.

Regional Director - Eastern and Central Europe (1994-1997), Westinghouse Energy Systems, Monroeville, Pennsylvania. Mr. Bennett through building cohesion in a highly diverse, highly experienced management team led a \$150 million export operation for a \$1.3 billion global business unit expansion into former Soviet countries and China.

President (1992-1994), Broadwell Corporation, Carlsbad, California. Mr. Bennett led the public relations, permitting, development and management of this state-of-the-art high technology environmental waste repository and treatment company achieving a breakthrough first-of-a-kind land use permit in California. This involved close to one hundred meetings over two years with diverse public, private, and governmental organizations and individuals to gain public acceptance and resolve conflicts.

Senior Vice President (COO) (1989 – 1992), Westinghouse Environmental and Geotechnical Services, Inc., Raleigh, North Carolina. Mr. Bennett served as senior managing executive of more than 30 different offices providing environmental services throughout the United States

Acquisition Team Leader (1989), Westinghouse Environmental Services Business Unit, Paris, France. Mr. Bennett led a corporate team based in Paris to seek out and qualify European environmental sector business acquisitions.

Managing Director (CEO) (1988 – 1989), Westinghouse Electronics and Control Company, Shannon, Ireland. Mr. Bennett led this company that produced high technology environmental monitoring equipment with seven operations in Europe, and a network covering Europe, Middle East, Africa, and Australasia.

Managing Director (CEO) (1985 – 1988), Unimation (Europe) Limited, Telford, United Kingdom. Mr. Bennett led this high technology robotic company based in the UK, with satellite operations in Sweden and Germany.

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Marketing Manager, Nuclear Components Division (1981- 1985), Westinghouse Electric Corporation, Pensacola, Florida. Mr. Bennett was responsible for the sales, strategic planning, public relations, international management, technology transfer and manufacturing planning for this division which he led from a captive manufacturer to self-sufficient exporter in the global competitive marketplace.

Project Manager, Consolidation Activities, Nuclear Components Divisions (1979 – 1981), Westinghouse Electric Corporation, Tampa, Florida. Mr. Bennett managed the strategic planning, site selection, detail planning, implementation and operational leadership of a multi-plant team consolidating two major manufacturing plants.

Resource Planning Manager, Tampa Division (1978 – 1979), Westinghouse Electric Corporation, Tampa, Florida. Mr. Bennett led a manufacturing department.

Projects Manager, Tampa Division (1978), Westinghouse Electric Corporation, Tampa, Florida. In a unique special assignment, Mr. Bennett was responsible for all activities associated with introducing new export products into international markets.

Product Engineering Manager, Tampa Division (1976 – 1978), Westinghouse Electric Corporation, Tampa, Florida. As the responsible manager for the design of power plant components.

Advanced Development Manager, Tampa Division (1974 – 1976), Westinghouse Electric Corporation, Tampa, Florida. In this position he was responsible for the development of new power plant components including associated global technology transfer.

Senior Engineer, Tampa Division (1968 – 1974), Westinghouse Electric Corporation, Tampa, Florida. In this position he was responsible for the detail design of power plant components including associated global technology transfer training.

Co-Op Student, Missile and Space Division (1965 – 1968), General Electric Company, King of Prussia, Pennsylvania. Developed and tested spacecraft life support systems for astronauts and flight test animals.

Education

B. S., Northwestern University, Mechanical Engineering, 1968
1,200 hours of additional coursework in Environmental Law, Performance Management, Contracts, and Financial Management, 1969 – 1997.

Six Patents

13 Provisional Patents

Four published papers including one on University Industry Cooperation