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Office of the President
October 10, 2006

Members, Board of Trustees:

APPOINTMENT TO BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY MINING ENGINEERING FOUNDATION, INC.

Recommendation: that the Board of Trustees approve the appointment of Robert Addington, Nick Carter, Chauncey Curtz, Catherine C. Thompson, and Paul Vining to the Board of Directors of the University of Kentucky Mining Engineering Foundation for two-year terms, ending June 30, 2008.

Background: The nominating committee of the University of Kentucky Mining Engineering Foundation, which includes the dean of the College of Engineering, recommended these appointments to the Provost. These recommended appointments require approval by the Board of Trustees in accordance with the Articles of Incorporation and By-Laws for the University of Kentucky Mining Engineering Foundation approved by the Board of Trustees at its meeting on December 14, 1982.

Action taken: Approved Disapproved Other _____

Bios for Board of Directors
University of Kentucky Mining Engineering Foundation, Inc.

Robert Addington: Mr. Addington has a 30 year history of large-scale success in the energy business. He and his brothers have built several of the largest independent coal companies in the U.S. For almost as long as he's been in the mining business, Mr. Addington has been working on and investing in alternative energy technologies. One of the companies he owns a significant interest in and manages is commercializing a breakthrough approach to coal and biomass gasification, trademarked Hymelt[®]. Another of his companies, DTX Technologies, is the developer of DTX Oil's innovative process to reclaim/re-refine used lubricating oil. Mr. Addington has also helped to form or acquire and manage successful companies engaged in municipal waste landfills; oil & gas exploration and production; mining equipment design and commercialization; and gold exploration and mining. Mr. Addington has served on the advisory boards of the National Coal Foundation and the Kentucky Energy Policy Board, and continues to serve on the board of the University of Kentucky Center for Applied Energy Research. He has a B.S. in mathematics and industrial technology from Morehead State University.

Nick Carter: Mr. Carter is President and Chief Operating Officer of GP Natural Resource Partners LLC. He has also served as President of the general partner of Western Pocahontas Properties Limited Partnership and New Gauley Coal Corporation since 1990 and as President of the general partner of Great Northern Properties Limited Partnership from 1992 to 1998. Prior to 1990, Mr. Carter held various positions with MAPCO Coal Corporation and was engaged in the private practice of law. He serves as President of the National Council of Coal Lessors, as the former Chair of the West Virginia Chamber of Commerce and as a board member of the Kentucky Coal Association.

Chauncey S.R. Curtz: Mr. Curtz is President of Coal Energy Investments & Management and managing partner of Big Sandy Company LP. Of Counsel with Dinsmore & Shohl LLP, a law firm in Lexington, Kentucky. He was admitted to the bar in 1981, Kentucky and Wisconsin; 1982, U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Kentucky; 1983, U.S. Court of Appeals, Sixth Circuit; 1986, U.S. Supreme Court; 1993, U.S. District Court, Western District of Kentucky. Education: Georgetown University; McGill University (B.S., Honors, 1976); University of Wisconsin (J.D., 1981). He is a member of the Fayette County and Kentucky Bar Associations and his practice areas are natural resources law and commercial litigation.

Catherine C. Thompson: Ms. Thompson is Engineering Manager of Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) Shawnee Fossil Plant in Paducah, Kentucky. She is responsible for management of the engineering organization of a large fossil power plant. Areas of focus include plant water chemistry control, equipment performance testing, environmental compliance, system performance assessment, significant event analysis, predictive maintenance, plant configuration management, business planning support, and capital projects justification/implementation support. She received a BS in Engineering Physics from Murray State University and M.S. in Chemical Engineering from the University of Kentucky.

Paul Vining: Mr. Vining is President and CEO of Magnum Coal. He has been in the mining industry over 25 years, holding positions with Massey Energy, Island Creek Coal, Peabody and Arch Coal.