



## **“Coal to Products” Advocate Randall Atkins Elected to Senior Leadership of the National Coal Council**

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**Washington, D.C.** — At the annual meeting of the National Coal Council (NCC) this month, Ramaco Coal Chairman and Chief Executive Randall Atkins was elected as the organization’s Vice Chair for the remainder of the year, and Chair-Elect for 2020. Atkins was originally appointed to the NCC by U.S. Secretary of Energy Rick Perry in 2017.



Ramaco Coal, LLC is the holding company for various coal-related entities operating under the Ramaco name. These include the NASDAQ-listed company Ramaco Resources, Inc., a Central Appalachian metallurgical coal producer, as well as Ramaco Carbon, a private company based in Wyoming that is pursuing the development of “coal to products”, in which the carbon within coal is extracted for manufacturing purposes.

The NCC is a Federal Advisory Committee to the U.S. Secretary of Energy. Established in 1984, it provides support and recommendations to the Secretary of Energy on policy matters relating to coal and the coal industry.

“In the years to come, the NCC will have an opportunity to contribute to the dialogue on how best to value and use our nation’s abundant and affordable coal resources in traditional and new markets,” said Janet Gellici, Chief Executive Officer of the NCC. “The leadership and guidance of Randy Atkins during this time will be vital to these efforts.”

Atkins is a member of the NCC’s Executive Committee, and chairs a task force authoring a report for Secretary Perry on advanced uses for coal, including in the manufacture of many forms of carbon products and materials. The report is titled



“Coal in a New Carbon Age: Powering a Wave of Innovation in Advanced Products and Manufacturing”. It will be delivered to Secretary Perry in June of this year.

In July 2018, Atkins testified in Washington, D.C. before the U.S. House of Representatives’ Natural Resource Committee on the same subject, in a presentation titled “Assessing Alternative Uses of Coal”. The effort has garnered coverage from many mainstream media organizations, including Bloomberg and Axios.

“I am honored to serve with my colleagues on the National Coal Council, and provide counsel to Secretary of Energy Perry, particularly at such a pivotal and potentially exciting time for the industry,” said Atkins. “This organization does vital work providing information, policy analysis, and industry recommendations that the Secretary of Energy needs to ensure a strong future for American coal. There is much far-reaching work to be done, and I look forward to helping the Council and the Secretary however I can.”

Atkins has been involved in energy-related investment, management and financing for more than 35 years.

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