



Solutions for the Future

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NETC 20th Annual Membership Meeting

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A Message from the Board President and CEO

First off, we want to thank you for joining us virtually at our annual meeting. As we all know it has been two years since our last membership meeting and a lot has happened in the interim. What a year 2020 has been, it has thrown challenges like we have never experienced before. Our Cooperative has met the challenges of the last two years and has succeeded in our core responsibilities, to provide reliable services to our members. Through the efforts of our employees, we have so far kept Covid out of our workplace while keeping the power, telephone, internet and CATV on for our members.

This year with so much uncertainty, we must be vigilant and protect what we have. We ask each one of you to please participate in the public processes that effect your community. Be a voice when the time is right for you, your family, your community, and your region. Rural Alaska is again at risk, Education, Health Care, Transportation, Energy, and Telecommunications infrastructure are vital to keep our region successful. We at Nushagak will protect our much needed infrastructure as we continue to try to find solutions to produce dependable low-cost energy and better broadband access for our members.

Over the last two years Nushagak has completed several key projects that will bring continued benefits to our members.

- Electric Division
 - Power Plant Upgrade
 - Added two 2.25 Mw Caterpillar generators.
 - Upgraded generator voltage.
 - Replaced switchgear.
 - Replaced substation transformers.
 - Upgraded Controllers and controls
 - Three Phase build out to Icicle/OBI.
- Telephone
 - Microwave build increased broadband capacity by factor of eight.
 - DSL rebuild, upgrade local connectivity.
- Internet/CATV
 - Rebuilt Fiber/COAX network

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- o Replaced CATV headend

This year your Board of Directors and employee team at Nushagak are working on several very exciting projects. Expanding broadband access, upgrading the supplemental heat system for the Schools and other City, State and Tribal buildings, and exploring renewable generation options.

NETC is evaluating a resource that may change our region, a renewable power generation opportunity that could provide sustainable, low-cost electricity for several of our watershed communities. The Nuyakuk Hydro Project will take a lot of careful study and evaluation including input from our members and surrounding communities.

In the telecommunications arena, we continue to work on issues that affect the cooperative's ability to provide the best service and remain financially sound. NETC is working toward a new Project that will free up the burdens of slow and limited broadband by bringing the benefits of fiber optic networks to our service area. The core of this project is a fiber build from Levelock to Dillingham that if funded could be completed as early as the spring of 2023.

None of these improvements are possible without our Member's support. The presentation slides for these projects can be found on our website, Nushtel.com

We would also like to express our gratitude to all our employees, NETC is a prime example of a local team with the knowledge and experience of living in rural Alaska taking care of the needs of Rural Alaskans, providing good local jobs while also providing needed services.

Once again, I thank you for your support and if you have any concerns about your Cooperative please feel free to call myself or Bob Himschoot your CEO.

Pete Andrew
NETC Board President

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bob Himschoot", written over a light blue horizontal line.

Robert Himschoot
CEO/GM

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