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HENAAC Board Members Take On New Leadership Positions.

On behalf of the HENAAC Board of Directors, we are proud to acknowledge Chairman Ray Mellado, Dan Arvizu, Ph.D., and Rudy Montiel, P.E. for their accomplishments. Chair Ray Mellado was recently appointed to the California State University, Los Angeles College of Engineering, Computer Science and Technology Industry Advisory Board; Dan Arvizu, Ph.D. was named Director of the National Renewable Energy Laboratory for the U. S Department of Energy and Rudy Montiel was appointed new Executive Director for the Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles.

“HENAAC is making more differences in the fabric of American engineering and science. As our board takes on more leadership roles, it adds to the credibility and growth nationally of HENAAC.” said chair Ray Mellado.

Mr. Mellado has been appointed one of the newest Industry Advisory Board Members for California State University Los Angeles College of Engineering, Computer Science and Technology. The IAB is an Executive Advisory panel which assists Dean, Kuei Wu Tsai, Ph.D., in planning, implementing and growing the college. IAB keeps the college current with the technology industry and services the community at large. The board is made up of executives and technology entrepreneurs in support of the college of Engineering’s mission. Dean Tsai selects potential members, which must be approved by the University President and Provost, then confirmed by the existing board. HENAAC is proud of Dean Tsai’s accomplishments as the Academic Host for 2004 conference and his acceptance of the position of the 2005 Academic Host for the Conference in Anaheim, CA.

Rudy Montiel has been appointed the Executive Director of the Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles, after serving as the President and CEO for the Housing Authority of the City of El Paso (HACEP) since 2001. In a press release from the office of Mayor James K. Hahn, he comments “Rudolf Montiel is the cornerstone of the new leadership structure we have installed at the Housing Authority. His tenure at the El Paso Housing Authority was nationally- recognized, and I am confident that he will deliver even better results to Los Angeles.” Under Montiel’s administration HACEP received the highest ratings of any large housing authority in the United States from the U.S Department of Housing and Urban Development. Montiel was also a key player in the landmark Viva Technology Day for the Roosevelt Park Housing Community in El Paso, TX sponsored

by HACEP and IBM in which 100 households received personal computers in an effort to bridge the digital divide in the housing community.

Dan Arvizu, Ph.D., has been named Director of National Renewable Energy Laboratory for the U. S Department of Energy, which is the department's primary national laboratory for renewable energy and energy efficiency research and development. Arvizu joined CH2M Hill in 1998 and served as Vice President and Director of the Energy and Industrial Systems Business Group before being promoted to Vice President and Chief Technology officer for the Federal and Industrial Client Sector in 2002. Arvizu was recently appointed to the National Science Board by President George W. Bush, and was named one of the "Top 50 Most Important Hispanics in Business and Technology" by Hispanic Engineer & Information Technology Magazine.

HENAAC Mission Statement: To enlighten our nation about the achievements of Hispanics in engineering, science, technology, and math; to motivate and educate more students to pursue careers in these fields; to increase the role the Hispanic community plays in maintaining America's status as the world's technology leader.

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