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Chugach Electric hires Chief Strategic Officer Experienced renewable energy leader joining Chugach team

A professional engineer with over 25 years of experience with a leading energy company in the Upper Midwest is joining Chugach Electric Association, Inc., as Chief Strategic Officer. Allan Rudeck Jr. will join Chugach in June 2023.

Rudeck comes to Chugach from ALLETE, a publicly held energy company headquartered in Duluth, Minnesota. ALLETE is comprised of regulated utilities as well as non-regulated operations and other energy-centric businesses. Rudeck played a key role in growing ALLETE to become the top ranked investor-owned utility for investment in renewable energy based on market capitalization. He has extensive experience with renewable energy development and acquisitions, including the addition of multiple large-scale wind projects, acquisition of a leading distributed solar company, as well as the diversification and decarbonization efforts at Minnesota Power, where the company transitioned its power supply from 95% coal in 2005, to 51% renewables in 2022.

"Al is going to be an excellent addition to the Chugach executive team," said Chugach CEO Arthur Miller. "His experience with renewable energy projects and virtually all aspects of the electric utility industry will be a true asset to Chugach and our members."

Rudeck has worked with ALLETE in various capacities since 1996 including Engineer, Plant Manager, Director of Engineering Services; Vice President, Generation; Vice President, Strategy and Planning; President, ALLETE Clean Energy; and, most recently, as ALLETE Safety and External Affairs Officer.

Some key responsibilities for Rudeck at Chugach will include leading the planning and development of key strategic initiatives, developing and maintaining Chugach's Strategic Plan, preparing and maintaining the utility's integrated resource plan, as well as working closely with key accounts and government and non-government organizations.

Rudeck has a Bachelor of Chemical Engineering from the University of Minnesota Duluth.