## Ted W. Abernathy Jr.



Mr. Abernathy is executive director of the Southern Growth Policies Board. The Southern Growth Policies Board is a 39-year-old public policy think tank that provides economic development research and advice for 13 southern states. Southern Growth specializes in the areas of technology and innovation, globalization, talent, civic engagement, alternative energy and leadership. Mr. Abernathy speaks to more than 150 groups annually on topics ranging from future global trends to changing leadership models. The focus of his

30-year economic development career has included work for cities, counties, regions and the private sector. Most recently he served as executive vice president and COO for the Research Triangle Regional Partnership. While there, he developed and implemented national award-winning strategic plans that focused on collaboration models and innovative cluster development.

Mr. Abernathy received his bachelor's degree from the University of North Carolina and his master's degree from Johns Hopkins University. He is a graduate of the Economic Development Institute and is an Eisenhower Fellow in global economics.

# Rebecca O. Bagley



Ms. Bagley is president and CEO of NorTech, a regional, nonprofit, technology-based economic development organization that serves 21 counties in northeast Ohio. As a catalyst for growing northeast Ohio's technology industries, NorTech is leading an effort to develop regional innovation clusters that will spur job creation and capital attraction and that will have a long-term positive economic impact. Ms. Bagley leads the organization's effort to develop regional technology clusters by supporting and nurturing northeast Ohio's

most promising technology projects and initiatives. She works with regional, state and federal government leaders to raise the visibility of northeast Ohio's technology assets and to drive funding to the region. Recently, Ms. Bagley and her team launched a foundation-funded \$1.7 million advanced-energy initiative.

Ms. Bagley joined NorTech in July 2009, bringing a wealth of experience and leadership as a nationally recognized expert in technology-based economic development. Prior to joining NorTech, she served as deputy secretary for the Technology Investment Office of the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development. She holds a bachelor of science degree in marketing from the University of Colorado's College of Business and Administration.

#### Patricia Brasted



Ms. Brasted is the president and CEO of Wichita Technology Corporation (WTC) and also serves as managing member of Wichita Technology Ventures, Quest Ventures and Milestone Ventures. Under her leadership, the WTC has consulted with hundreds of entrepreneurs and assisted in raising more \$100 million from private investors leveraged into 40 technology companies that represent over 60 patented technologies. Ms. Brasted currently serves on the board of the National Association of Seed and Venture Funds and chairs its

National Policy and Membership Committees.

Ms. Brasted is a founding member of the first angel organization in Kansas, the Midwest Venture Alliance (MVA), which later created a branch in southeast Kansas. She also served as a founding member of the Great Plains Capital Conference, now known as part of the Kansas Day of Innovation, the only Kansas-specific capital conference. She holds a bachelor's degree in Accounting from Wichita State University and an MBA from Baker University. Ms. Brasted is a certified public accountant.

#### Daniel J. Broderick



Mr. Broderick is a senior fellow of Innovation and Entrepreneurship at BioGenerator. In this capacity, he is responsible for creating and initiating investment opportunities, structuring and negotiating transactions, serving on the board of directors of the portfolio companies, working with portfolio company management teams to help create value, and arranging for follow on financings. Mr. Broderick is also the founder and president of the Global Agtech Investors Network, a not for profit corporation dedicated to

supporting capital formation and innovation in agtech companies.

Prior to joining BioGenerator in 2009 he was a Managing Director at Prolog Ventures in St. Louis. Prior to that he spent 7 years with Mason Wells Biomedical Fund as a Managing Director where he was responsible for all aspects of investment activities. Before that, he spent 18 years at Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota, where for 12 years he served as Director of the Office of Technology Commercialization. He has served on the Board of Directors of the National Venture Capital Association (NVCA). He has testified before the U.S. Congress on behalf of the NVCA; works on a number of NVCA committees, and chaired the Research Committee. Mr. Broderick is the founder and President of the Mid-America Healthcare Investor Network (MHIN) an organization designed to promote venture investing in Mid America. He received a bachelor's degree in biology from Iowa State University in 1982, and has completed some graduate course work in finance, accounting and marketing at Winona State University.

## Doug C. Cameron



Mr. Cameron is the founder and managing director of Alberti Advisors, a venture advisory firm with business, science and engineering expertise in clean technology and sustainable agriculture. Prior to founding Alberti Advisors, he was chief science advisor and managing director in the clean-tech investment banking group at Piper Jaffray, a global investment bank headquartered in Minneapolis. From 2006 to 2008, he was chief scientific officer at Khosla Ventures, a premier Silicon Valley-based clean-tech venture

capital firm. With Khosla, he led technical due-diligence efforts for many of the firm's investments and served on the board of directors for Mascoma, Lanzatech, Kior and Draths. He was appointed acting CEO for Gevo, LS9 and Segetis, in addition to serving on those boards as well.

From 1998 to 2006, he worked at Cargill, Inc. where he built and led Cargill's corporate biotechnology research group. From 1986 to 2000, he was a professor of chemical engineering at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. While at the University of Wisconsin, he consulted for several leading companies, including Cargill, DuPont and Genencor. Mr. Cameron graduated magna cum laude from Duke University with a bachelor's degree in biomedical engineering; he earned a Ph.D. in biochemical engineering from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

## **Allen Dines**



Mr. Dines is the assistant director of the University of Wisconsin-Madison Office of Corporate Relations. Operating within the Office of the Chancellor, the Office of Corporate Relations assists the business community in accessing the diverse resources of the University of Wisconsin-Madison. As assistant director, he works principally with new ventures and private equity. He serves as program manager for the office's entrepreneurship programs, including its Startup Initiative and Wiscontrepreneur program.

Mr. Dines joined UW-Madison in June 2001, bringing with him more than 25 years of experience in industry and technology management. In his initial position at the university, he served as assistant director for business development within the graduate school, where his major focus was the commercialization of university technology through startup business development and campus entrepreneurship. In 2002, Mr. Dines co-founded the Midwest Research University Network, an alliance of 22 regional research institutions dedicated to regional cooperation in the commercialization of university research through new business creation. He currently serves as president of the network. Mr. Dines holds degrees from the University of Michigan, including a bachelor's degree, an MBA and a master's degree in regional planning in natural resources.

#### **Diane Durance**



Ms. Durance is the executive director of Great Lakes Entrepreneur's Quest. GLEQ is a Michigan-based statewide organization that offers entrepreneurial education and a technology-focused business plan competition for new ventures in alternative energy, life sciences, advanced manufacturing, homeland security and information technology. GLEQ connects early-stage ventures to growth capital and business-development resources. GLEQ is currently working with 302 startups and has a network of 130 business coaches and 85

venture investors.

Prior to joining GLEQ, Ms. Durance was president of the Ann Arbor IT Zone, Ann Arbor's premier membership organization for the growth and development of technology companies. She is the program committee chairperson for the New Enterprise Forum and the vice president of the Great Lakes Alternative Energy Association. She serves as chairperson for the C.S. Mott Foundation initiative to increase entrepreneurship in mid-Michigan and is on the membership committee of MichBio, Michigan's association for life science companies. She holds a bachelor of business administration degree and a master of public administration degree from Southern Methodist University.

#### Lee Edwards



Mr. Edwards joined Virent as president and CEO in January 2009 and is a member of its board of directors. In 2010, he was elected chairman of the Advanced Biofuels Association, which is based in Washington, D.C., and represents 25 member companies. Prior to joining Virent, he had 25 years of global energy experience at BP, including as CEO of BP Solar; president of BP Pipelines, North America; chief information officer for Downstream; and vice president of BP Global Brand.

Mr. Edwards holds a bachelor's degree in chemical engineering and an MBA in finance from the Wharton School. He is a graduate of the Stanford Business School Executive Program.

#### **Bruce Greiner**



Mr. Greiner is the Deputy Director of the Iowa Office of Energy Independence (OEI). Bruce joined OEI in September of 2009. His duties include finance, developing finance programs, human resource management, contract compliance, grant management and operations management for the Iowa Power Fund and the American Reinvestment and Recovery Act. The mission of the office is to manage the Iowa Power Fund, a \$100 million appropriation, in an effort to lead the state toward an energy independent future.

Prior to his employment with the State of Iowa, Mr. Greiner worked for several of Iowa's largest and high performing public organizations. His executive level experience is in public education and local government with responsibilities in finance, construction, operations and facilities management. He holds a degree in construction management from the University of Northern Iowa and has continued his education by working toward an MBA while picking up numerous certifications and licenses. He holds the Certified Facility Manager designation.

#### **Jason Hall**



Mr. Hall was nominated to be the executive director of the Missouri Technology Corporation (MTC) in April 2009 by Gov. Nixon and was unanimously confirmed by the MTC board of directors. During his tenure, he established a reputation as a strong advocate of reform to promote the highest level of ethics, transparency and accountability at MTC. Among his accomplishments during his first year was leading the development of the Missouri Plant Science Center in Mexico, Missouri, one of the most ambitious biotech projects in rural

Missouri. He also spearheaded the effort to win the \$55 million Pioneer Hi-Bred facility in New Madrid and successfully negotiated the terms of an anticipated \$50 million Missouri- and biotech-focused venture capital fund.

Prior to joining the Nixon administration, Mr. Hall worked in the St. Louis office of the international law firm Bryan Cave LLP, where he was an attorney focusing his practice on antitrust matters. During that time, he developed a wide range of experience representing high-technology and science-based clients, including substantial work representing the leading multi-industry licensing organizations that ushered in DVD technology. *Missouri Lawyers Weekly* honored him in 2007 as an "up and coming lawyer," citing his dedication to his antitrust practice and his community involvement. He received his law degree from Vanderbilt University and his bachelor's degree with honors in economics from Bates College.

### Joe Kremer



Mr. Kremer is the director of the Wisconsin Angel Network (WAN), a public-private initiative launched in January 2005 to fuel the growth of entrepreneurial, early-stage financing throughout Wisconsin. WAN, a division of the Wisconsin Technology Council, originated from Wisconsin Gov. Jim Doyle's *Grow Wisconsin* plan and the Wisconsin Legislature's Act 255 initiative. Since 2005, angel networks and funds in Wisconsin have grown from six to 22, and angel network investing has increased steadily each year, 50 percent

in 2009, the most recent year data is currently available.

Mr. Kremer is the co-founder and former CFO of Madison-based PowerDesigners LLC, a high-tech power electronics firm. He has served as an economic development policy advisor for the Wisconsin Legislature, has worked in the European headquarters' finance departments of Kraft and PepsiCo Restaurants International, and consults entrepreneurial and non-profit organizations on business and financial strategies. He received his MBA in finance and a bachelor's degree from the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

#### Jeannine La Prad



Ms. La Prad is the president and CEO of the Corporation for a Skilled Workforce (CSW). In this capacity, she has facilitated the development of economic and workforce policy innovation within the state of Michigan as well as in other states. For example, she has worked with the Kansas Department of Commerce and the Kansas Board of Regents on an analysis how the state's postsecondary educational system aligns with state investments in business, industry sector, and cluster economic development strategies. She

has more recently helped the Michigan Department of Energy, Labor, and Economic Growth develop an initiative to increase the number of jobs and skilled workers in areas where the state was making strategic economic and community development investments such as renewable energy production, energy efficiency and retrofitting, green manufacturing, and agricultural and natural resource conservation.

Ms. La Prad served as the project director for CSW's work with the Midwestern Governors Association in developing the *Platform for Creating and Retaining Midwestern Jobs in the New Energy Economy*. She was recently invited to be an advisor to the Interstate Renewable Energy Council on its administration of the Solar Instructor Training Network to help ensure the development of a robust national solar-training infrastructure that can meet the employment needs of a rapidly growing domestic solar industry. She has a bachelor's degree in organizational psychology and communications and a master's degree in higher education policy from the University of Michigan.

#### Bruce A. Read

Mr. Read is the president and chief operating officer of the Cincinnati-based TSS Technologies. He has been in manufacturing for over 25 years, with experience in the medical, automotive and commercial machining and assembly industries. He has worked in manufacturing in the United States and Canada. He also has extensive training and experience in lean manufacturing.

Mr. Read has a bachelor's degree from the University of Western Ontario in Canada and has the professional designation as a certified management accountant.

### **Andrew Redinger**



Mr. Redinger is the managing director—group head of KeyBanc Capital Markets Energy Group. As a member of the Utility and Alternative Power Group, he works in areas such as project finance, bank financing, mergers and acquisitions, divestitures, public equity, public debt financing and private equity placements. He has worked with many successful utility and alternative energy companies.

Mr. Redinger previously was employed by Duff & Phelps Investment Research, where he was responsible for providing sell-side analytical research coverage for several key U.S. utility companies. He also has worked in the utility and strategic finance group of a large Midwestern bank and has sold utility fixed-income products to institutional accounts nationally. He received a bachelor's degree in economics from Purdue University and holds an MBA in finance from Loyola University.

#### **Lachlan Seward**



Mr. Seward is the director of the Advanced Technology Vehicles Manufacturing Loan Program at the U.S. Department of Energy. He has been instrumental in the formation of the DOE's Loan Programs Office. He leads a team of highly skilled finance professionals in the review of applications, underwriting, due diligence and negotiation of direct loans to support the development of advanced-technology vehicles and associated components. He previously worked at the U.S. Department of the Treasury. While there, he provided oversight

to the Treasury's participation in the Air Transportation Stabilization Board's loan guarantee program, which provided emergency financing for the airlines following 9/11.

During his 25-year tenure in government finance programs, Mr. Seward has served as the executive director of the Chrysler Corporation Loan Guarantee Board; director of finance for the Synthetic Fuels Corporation; and program director for the DOEs Geothermal Loan Guarantee Program. He also has provided guidance for the Maritime Administration's Title XI loan guarantees for energy and drilling vessels. In addition, he was actively engaged in the rehabilitation of financial institutions and related distressed asset management for the World Bank, the FSLIC, the RTC, and Coopers & Lybrand LLC. His experience includes establishing a collecting bank for distressed assets for the government of Romania following the liquidation of the one of the country's largest commercial banks. He has a bachelor's degree in economics from Cornell University and an MBA in finance (with distinction) from American University.