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AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

NAME: Outreach and Engagement Committee

DATE: April 18, 2023

TITLE: Developing Minnesota's Energy Workforce

- Proposed New Policy or Amendment to Existing Policy Approvals Required by Policy Other Approvals
- Monitoring/Compliance Information

PRESENTERS

- Noelle Hawton, Chief Marketing and Communications Officer
- Rose Patzer, Executive Director, Minnesota State Energy Center of Excellence
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PURPOSE

The Outreach and Engagement Committee will learn about the industry engagement efforts of the Minnesota State Energy Center of Excellence for the benefit of students and overall workforce development across the state.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Minnesota State hosts eight Centers of Excellence - each serving a major industry that faces serious workforce challenges. The centers collaborate with industry and educators to attract and prepare students for success in high-demand careers.

Strategically located throughout the state, the Minnesota State Centers of Excellence drive workforce innovation through education and industry collaboration, and provide thought leadership on workforce development in their respective industries.