











## Board of Directors

### Profiles

#### **Chief Mike Metatawabin, President and Director**

The Board member from Fort Albany is Chief Mike Metatawabin. Chief Metatawabin brings with him a strong background in public relations having been involved in radio and TV journalism for over thirteen years. Along with his many duties as Chief of Fort Albany, he is serving as the Chairman of the Board of Weeneebayko Health Ahtuskaywin, the regional health authority for the Mushkegowuk communities and also as C.E.O and President of Wawatay Native Communications Society, a radio, TV and print media organization serving a large portion of Ontario with programming in three languages. He has also served as vice-chair on the local education authority for over four years as well as serving on the board of the local economic development corporation.

#### **Chief Theresa Hall, Secretary and Director**

Chief Theresa Hall represents Attawapiskat, a remote Cree community of over 1600 people on the West Coast of James Bay. Chief Hall (formerly Theresa Okimaw) was elected to the office of Chief in July 2001 and prior to that date served as Executive Director of the Attawapiskat First Nation. Her knowledge of community issues and concerns is a valuable asset to the Board of FNEI. Chief Hall served as a full time presiding Justice of the Peace for nine communities in Northern Ontario for over thirteen years. She holds a Bachelor of Arts in Native Studies from Laurentian University.

#### **Chief Leo Friday, Director**

The board member from Kashechewan is Chief Leo Friday. Chief Friday is halfway through his third term as Chief of the Kashechewan First Nation. Through his leadership a contracting arm of the First Nation, the Kashechewan Technical Services began its operations with the purchase of several pieces of heavy equipment. A major housing initiative is also being planned. Chief Friday served as Executive Director for 11 years and three years as Finance Director for the First Nation prior to becoming Chief. He has also served as the Chairman of the local school board, Chairman of the local distribution company, and has served on numerous other boards as well. In his spare time Chief Friday enjoys playing hockey, hunting and fishing, as well as supporting minor hockey.

#### **Chief Norm Hardisty, Director**

The Board member from Moose Factory is Chief Norm Hardisty of the Moose Cree First Nation. Chief Hardisty brings with him many years of technical experience. He has served in various capacities in the Technical Services Department of the Mushkegowuk Council including four years spent as Supervisor. Prior to being elected Chief, he served for over ten years as Councillor for the Moose Cree First Nation. Chief Hardisty also brings with him numerous years of experience serving on Boards of other organizations. These include two years as chair of the Moose Cree Education Authority, four years with Ontario First Nations Technical Services Corporation, over ten years with the Moose Cree Healing Centre, and four years with the Moose Band Development Corporation. He has also served on numerous committees both at the First Nation level as well as for

the some of the organizations that he served as Board member.

#### **Deputy Chief Deborah Rickard, Taykwa Tagamou Nation**

The Taykwa Tagamou Nation (formerly New Post First Nation) is represented on the Board of Five Nations Energy Inc. by Deputy Chief Deborah Rickard. Deputy Chief Rickard was elected to the position of Deputy Chief in September 2001, and brings with her a strong knowledge of the community. Deborah studied general arts and sciences and business administration at Northern College, and was appointed by the Mushkegowuk Board of Chiefs to the Cochrane District Health Care Committee. She also sits as a Board member for Wakenagan Community Futures Development Committee and Weeneebayko Health Ahtuskaywayin.

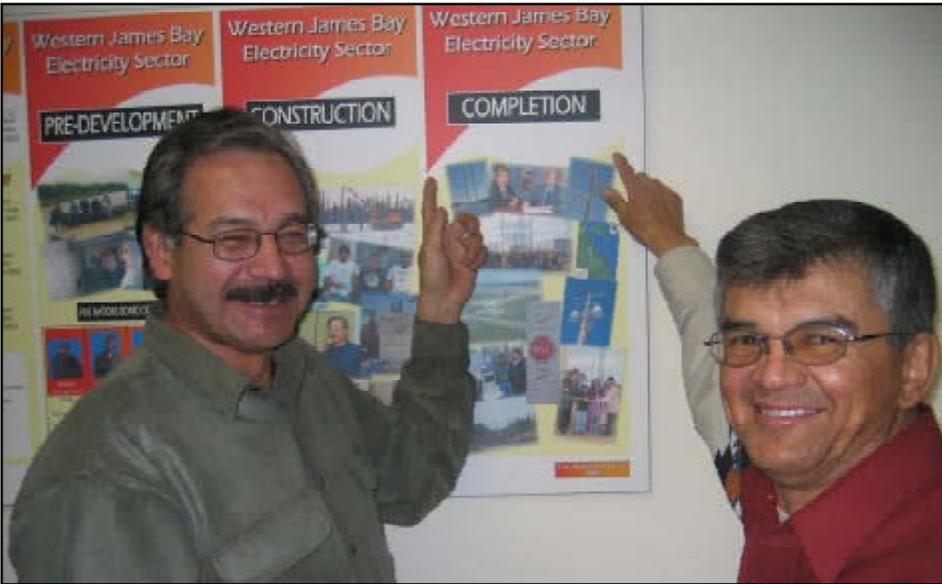
#### **Edward Chilton, Treasurer**

Edward Chilton, CET, has been an integral part of the development of the Omushkego Ishkotayo Project. Mr. Chilton, who serves as Treasurer for Five Nations Energy Inc., was selected to be the Project Coordinator in October of 1997 and has instrumental in bringing the project to its current success. As the principal of Edward W. Chilton Consulting, Mr. Chilton brings over twenty-six years of experience in construction project management to the corporation. As Supervisor of Technical Services with Mushkegowuk Council, he was responsible for the management of numerous multi-million dollar capital projects for the Mushkegowuk communities. Mr. Chilton's was recently appointed President of 3981584 Canada Inc. (The Services Company) and was honoured with the 2002 Executive of the Year award at the Nishnawbe-Aski Nation Business Awards.









Ed Chilton, Project Coordinator, and Cecil MacDonald, General Manager of Five Nations Energy Inc., celebrate the completion of the development phase of Omushkego Ishkotayo.

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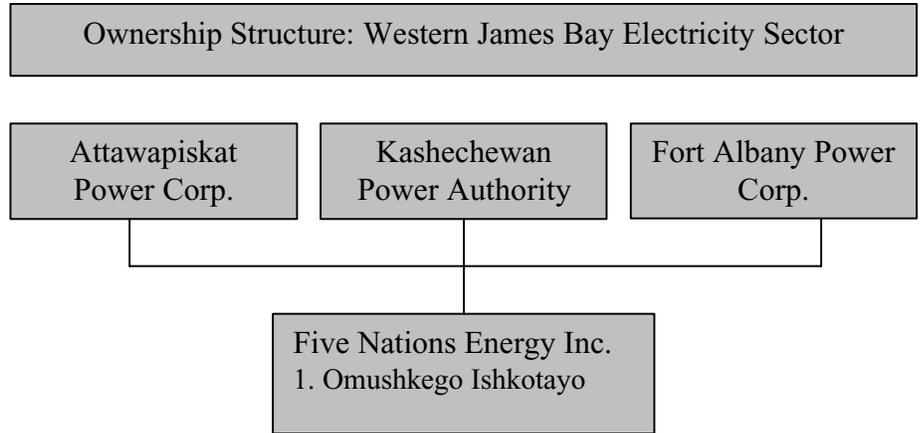




# Electricity and Community Responsibility

The construction phase of Five Nations Energy Inc.'s Omushkego Ishkotayo transmission line is complete. All three of the communities are now connected to the grid, with the connection of Attawapiskat on December 3, 2003. Resulting from this project are four First Nation owned and controlled companies. Five Nations Energy Inc. is owned equally by the Attawapiskat Power Corporation, Kashechewan Power Authority and the Fort Albany Power Corporation. These three power companies are owned respectively by their First Nations, therefore, you as community members are ultimately responsible for their success.

What do we mean by "RESPONSIBILITY"? The ability of your local distribution company to



supply electricity and operate safely is dependent on you paying your power bills.

The local utilities have only one source of money and it is from the sale of electricity from their customers in the community. With your money the local distribution company does the following things to ensure that electricity is supplied to you, the customer:

- Purchases and transmits electricity to the community for resale,

- Ensures that the distribution system is maintained,
- Plans and pays for the purchase of all equipment necessary to operate and maintain the distribution system, including the office, trucks, tools, computers, and all office supplies,
- Pays the salary of the Manager and staff,
- Coordinates and pays the training for Apprentice Linesmen, and
- Pays the honoraria of the members of the Board of Directors.

The jobs that are carried out by your local distribution company are wide ranging and ensure that real jobs are maintained in the community. Therefore, not only does your local distribution company supply electricity to the community, it also supplies a number of jobs to local community members that would not be there otherwise.



*David Wesley of the Kashechewan Power Authority connects the Attawapiskat distribution system.*

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*Douglas Nakogee and George Edwards are the Utility Workers at the Fort Albany Power Corporation.*

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*Larry Brooksbank and Charlie Moulard at the Attawapiskat Power Station during the hand-over on December 3, 2003.*

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*John Chookomoulin and Mike Koostachin working on the Attawapiskat distribution system.*

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