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Eli Hopson Hired To Be First CEO of the DC Green Bank

After a nationwide selection process, the DC Green Bank Board of Directors has hired attorney and clean energy expert Eli Hopson as the organization's first Chief Executive Officer. The DC Green Bank is a newly created District institution created to accelerate the District's low-carbon economy by mobilizing private finance for energy efficiency improvements and the expansion of renewable energy in the District. The DC Green Bank will also help create green jobs, lower energy costs, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, and help residents and businesses achieve greater sustainability goals.

"I am honored to have been selected as the first CEO of the DC Green Bank," Hopson said. "DC is a world class city that I'm proud to call my home. I am committed to building the Green Bank into an organization that helps the District become one of the most sustainable places in the world, for all of its citizens."

Hopson will officially begin as CEO on April 13, 2020. Prior to his hiring as CEO, he served as Vice President of Legal, Regulatory, and Policy at Cube Hydro Partners, and as Vice President of Legal and Chief Compliance officer at Eagle Creek Renewable Energy after Eagle and Cube merged. Hopson's experience also includes roles at Latham & Watkins LLP, the Union of Concerned Scientists, the U.S. House of Representatives Committee on Science, and the Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy at the U.S. Department of Energy. He received his bachelor's degree and Masters of Engineering in environmental engineering from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and a law degree from the Georgetown University Law Center.

"The Board of Directors is thrilled to now have the organization led by Eli Hopson, one of the nation's leading experts on energy policy and project management," said DC Green Bank Board Chair Brandi Colander. "We look forward to working with Eli as we continue to advance the Mayor's commitment to inclusive prosperity across all eight wards. I want to especially thank the Mayor, Councilmember Cheh, and the Board of Directors for their support and commitment to this critical effort, even in the hardest of times."

In 2018, DC Mayor Muriel Bowser signed the Green Finance Authority Establishment Act, officially making the District the first city in the country to establish a Green Bank.

"With the current COVID-19 challenge we all face, the importance of accessible, affordable, and sustainable energy solutions for all District residents and businesses is greater than ever," Hopson said.

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