

Mr. Chiang Keith Awong 1940-2010

Brother, Husband, Father, Friend, Colleague, Energy Visionary, Philanthropist,

For he that once is good, is ever great. Ben Jonson The Forest-To Lady Aubigny

C. Keith Awong contributed to the local energy sector of Trinidad and Tobago for over 40 years, where he functioned in major leadership positions in at least six major energy companies.

Born on August 19, 1940 and a Presentation College, San Fernando 'Ol' Boy', he went on to San Fernando Technical Institute in 1968 and then to the University of the West Indies where he obtained a B.Sc. (First Class Honours) in Chemical Engineering. His first jobs in the energy sector included stints in Shell Trinidad Limited and senior chemical engineering positions in TRINTOC, at both its Point Fortin and Pointe-a-Pierre locations.

From 2002 to 2007, Mr. Awong was Chairman of The National Gas Company of Trinidad and Tobago Limited (NGC), National Energy Corporation of Trinidad and Tobago Limited (NEC) and Phoenix Park Gas Processors Limited (PPGPL). He was also the former CEO and Managing Director of the Petroleum Company of Trinidad and Tobago Limited (PETROTRIN). Among his other senior positions were those of Chairman of NGC LNG, former Director of Atlantic Holdings LLC, Chief Executive Officer of Neal and Massy Energy, Director of Trinidad Cement Limited and the National Infrastructure Development Company Limited (NIDCO).

He brought to every Company with which he was associated his immense experience, knowledge, resourcefulness and determination.

His vision for the Companies under his leadership was inspirational and far reaching, with the national interest always at the forefront. This vision included the development and expansion of the local energy sector, the gaining of competitive advantage for the country through various modernization drives in the sector and an increased focus on entrepreneurship and investment in downstream industries.

In 2005, in recognition of his meritorious service to Trinidad and Tobago, he was awarded the Chaconia Medal (Gold) for national development. In 2009, in recognition of his interest in seeing that people had opportunities for second chances, New Life Ministries (NLM) dedicated their refurbished drug rehabilitation facility to Mr. Awong.

As the energy sector continues to grow, the economic and social benefits to the country will bear testimony to the legacy built by Visionary Leaders such as C. Keith Awong.

We at NGC, NEC and PPGPL will miss his insight into this ever-evolving industry and the humility that came so easily to him.

Our heartfelt condolences are extended to his family and many friends.

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