



### Board of Directors Application

Name Rachel Burton  
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Township of Residence Haw River

Are you currently serving on a board or committee in Chatham County? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, please list all boards and committees on which you currently serve: CCCC Biofuels Advisory  
Previous: Abundance Foundation, CFSA, Town of Pittsboro -  
Grants Committee, Piedmont Biofuels Cooperative

Please list your educational background. Include names of schools and degrees held.

BA Liberal Arts / UNC, AA - Automotive Technology / Certificate  
in Sustainable Agriculture, Coursework in Nutrition Science, Renewable Energy  
Name of Employer self (Microbial Energy & Chatham Wireless)  
Address of Employer above  
Position President/Founder

Please list the names of the civic organizations in which you currently hold membership:

American Oil Chemists Society, American Standards & Testing Materials  
Society of Automotive Engineers, CFSA

Explain how your education, knowledge and experience will be an asset to the EDC.

I believe I have a unique skillset in renewable fuels, transportation,  
and small business experience that could be valuable to  
EDC. I am an alumni of both UNC-Chapel Hill and CCCC  
in Pittsboro and Sanford. There is great value in two year  
and four year education experiences and how these educational

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experiences  
are  
leveraged into meaningful employment for our citizens.  
I would like to participate in strengthening both the vocational  
and professional sectors in our county.

Describe your vision for economic development in Chatham County.

I believe that Chatham County can be a model for the entire state of North Carolina in how we can revive sectors of manufacturing within the renaissance of home-grown businesses like food trucks and small farms; ~~but~~ I would like to see Chatham step forward with new technologies in the <sup>biotech</sup> economy.

Is there a particular aspect of economic development that interests you? Explain how you would like to be involved.

I would like to be involved in any of all sectors that involve entrepreneurship, manufacturing, information technology, and energy production/distribution.

Demographic information (OPTIONAL)

We ask your help in assuring the diversity of membership on our boards and committees. This section is optional, and you may leave it blank.

Gender: ☐ Male ☒ Female

Date of Birth 7-27-74

Ethnic Background

☒ White, non-Hispanic ☐ African-American ☐ Hispanic

☐ Asian or Pacific Islander ☐ Native American ☐ Other, Specify: \_\_\_\_\_

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## **Rachel Marie Burton**

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### **Education**

- Council for Entrepreneurial Development, FastTrac® business graduate, comprehensive business planning program for start-up entrepreneurs, 2011.
- National Renewable Energy Laboratory, Sustainable Energy and Education Training, Graduate course, Colorado School of Mines, Golden, Colorado, 2007.
- Associate Degree in Applied Science; Automotive Systems Technology, Central Carolina Community College (CCCC), 2000; Dennis Wicker Vocational Honors Scholar
- REAL Farm Business Administration Certificate, CCCC, 1997
- Bachelor Arts & Sciences, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, AB/Nutrition Science, 1996
- Biodiesel Production Technology, Analytics and Biodiesel Business Development, Iowa State University, 2003

### **Piedmont Biofuels, Director, Research & Business Development (2008 – Present)**

- Co-PI, Senior personnel on current DOE SBIR Phase I & II for enzymatic biodiesel research
- Founded research division to evaluate new biodiesel processes and technologies
- International and national consultant and speaker on biodiesel quality and performance
- Developed a patent-pending process for enzymatic esterification of biodiesel.
- Authored & administered over 10 state and federal grants (USDA, DOE, Dept. of Commerce) equaling over \$2 million

### **Piedmont Biofuels, Laboratory and Quality Control Manager (2005 –2008)**

- Manage all aspects of quality assurance activities
- Responsible for all government compliance activity and permitting requirements.
- Oversee design and implementation of laboratory facilities
- Implemented the quality management system and BQ-9000 accreditation

### **National Biodiesel Board, Diesel Technician Trainer, Sustainability Taskforce, Technical Committee (2008 – Present)**

- Developed and delivered diesel technician training curriculum program for NBB, nationwide
- Implemented ASE certification for diesel technician training curriculum program
- Founding and active committee member for Sustainability Taskforce
- Developed industry sustainability principles and producer guidance
- Conference organizer for the 2007 and 2008 Sustainable Biodiesel Summit

### **Central Carolina Community College, Pittsboro and Sanford, NC 2001- 2006**

- Biofuels program founder and coordinator, and introduced biofuels curriculum within the sustainable agriculture program.
- Established seven new continuing education and curriculum courses.

- Delivered State Energy Office Clean Technology Biodiesel demonstration program
- Organized two national biofuels conference and various workshops.
- Huskins Automotive program director 2001-2005
- Instructor for Automotive and Diesel technology, brakes, electrical systems, and emission controls.

#### **Honors/Certification**

- National Biodiesel Researcher of the Year. National Biodiesel Board. November 2011.
- Distinguished Alumni Award, Central Carolina Community College, 2012.
- NC Mobile CARE Fuel & Technology Provider award, 2010
- Graduate, Society of Automotive Engineers, Diesel Engine Seminar, 2009
- AOCS, American Oil Chemists' Society: Edible Oil Processing Certification, 2007
- National Biodiesel Accreditation Commission, BQ9000 implementation, 2007,2008
- Magellan Midstream Biodiesel Quality Certification, 2006
- Certification in Photovoltaic Technology, Solar Energy International, 2005
- National Alternative Fuels Training Consortium, Beta Test Course, 2004
- Certification in Alternative Fuels, Solar Energy International, 2004

#### **Seminars and Lectures**

- Multi-Feedstock Biodiesel Production with enzyme catalysts. National Biodiesel Conference. Orlando, FL. February 2012.
- Lipase Esterification for Biodiesel Production. EuroFedLipid meeting in Rotterdam, Netherlands. September 19, 2011
- Enzymatic Biodiesel Production, American Oil Chemists Society (AOCS) Annual Meeting, May. 2, 2011. Cincinnati, OH
- Biodiesel Production Intensive – 3-day Coordinator and Instructor. Piedmont Biofuels. Pittsboro, NC. March 2-4, 2011.
- Enzymatic Biodiesel Production, National Biodiesel Conference, Feb. 7, 2011. Phoenix, AZ.
- High voltage current for continuous glycerin separation from biodiesel. American Oil Chemists Society (AOCS) Biodiesel Congress Meeting, November. 2010. Munich, Germany
- Sustainable Biodiesel Production Techniques, American Oil Chemists Society (AOCS) Annual Meeting, May. 2009. Orlando, FL
- Sustainable Biodiesel Production, American Oil Chemists Society (AOCS) Annual Meeting, May. 2008. Seattle, WA.
- In-depth Biodiesel Production, Use and Plant Design Workshop – 5-day Intensive Workshop.

Coordinator and Lead Instructor. Solar Energy International. Pittsboro, NC. October 1-5, 2007.

- Biodiesel Production and Fuel Quality Lecture Series. Sponsored by the National Biodiesel Foundation through the Triangle Clean Cities Coalition, Goldsboro, Gaston, and Pittsboro, NC Fall 2007
- Basics of Biodiesel Production and Fuel Quality for Agricultural Producers – 1-day course. Sponsored by the National Center for Appropriate Technology. North Carolina State University, Raleigh, NC. March 2006.
- In-depth Biodiesel Production, Use and Plant Design Workshop – 5-day Intensive Workshop. Coordinator and Lead Instructor. Solar Energy International. June 2005, May 2006, Oct. 2006.

### **Publications**

Xiaohu Fan, Rachel Burton, Greg Austic. "Enzymatic Conversion of Brown Grease to Biodiesel in a Solvent-free Medium". Energy Sources. Part A: Recovery, Utilization, and Environmental Effects. 2010.

R. Burton. Market Analysis of Glycerol Carbonate for the Biofuels Center of North Carolina. March 2010.

Xiaohu Fan, Rachel Burton and Greg Austic. "Conversion of degummed soybean oil to biodiesel-optimization of degumming methods and evaluation of fuel properties". International Journal of Green Energy, 7: 593-599. 2010.

Rachel Burton, Xiaohu Fan and Greg Austic. "Evaluation of Two-step Reaction and Enzyme Catalysis Approaches for Biodiesel Production from Spent Coffee Grounds". International Journal of Green Energy, 7: 530-536. 2010.

Xiaohu Fan, Rachel Burton and Greg Austic. "Preparation and Characterization of Biodiesel Produced from Fish Oil". Chemistry and Technology of Fuels and Oils, 46(5): 287-293. 2010.

Xiaohu Fan, Rachel Burton and Yongchang Zhou. "Glycerol (Byproduct of Biodiesel Production) as a Source for Fuels and Chemicals-Mini Review". The Open Fuels & Energy Science Journal, 3: 17-22. 2010.

Xiaohu Fan, Rachel Burton and Greg Austic. "Preparation and Characterization of Biodiesel Produced from Recycled Canola Oil". The Open Fuels & Energy Science Journal, 2: 113-118. 2009.

Xiaohu Fan and Rachel Burton. "Recent Development of Biodiesel Feedstocks and the Applications of Glycerol: A Review". The Open Fuels & Energy Science Journal, 2:100-109. 2009.

Marc ter Horst, Stephanie Urbin, Rachel Burton, and Christina MacMillan Using proton nuclear magnetic resonance as a rapid response research tool for methyl ester characterization in biodiesel. Lipid Technology February 2009. Vol. 21, No. 2

Real World Experiences from a Small Biodiesel Production Facility. Inform Magazine. September 2007



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Township of Residence Williams

Are you currently serving on a board or committee in Chatham County? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please list all boards and committees on which you currently serve:

Chatham Education Foundation

Please list your educational background. Include names of schools and degrees held.

BSBA (Business Administration) from UNC - Chapel Hill

Name of Employer Domestic Realty / Build Ex / Governors Club Realty <sup>Beaumont</sup>  
Address of Employer 50201 Governors Drive, Chapel Hill, NC 27517  
Position Owner

Please list the names of the civic organizations in which you currently hold membership:

Chapel Hill Chamber of Commerce, Greater Chapel Hill Association of Realtors

Explain how your education, knowledge and experience will be an asset to the EDC.

I have lived & worked in Chatham County for 14 years  
All of my business is based in Chatham County

Describe your vision for economic development in Chatham County.

I would like to see more employers in Chatham County &  
more retailers in Chatham County. Currently, too many of  
our residents drive out of the county to go to work  
and to spend their retail dollars.

Is there a particular aspect of economic development that interests you? Explain how you would like to be involved.

I would like to be involved in any project that helps  
attract new residents & new businesses to our county (the  
two go hand in hand).

Demographic information (OPTIONAL)

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Gender: ☒ Male ☐ Female

Date of Birth 4/20/76

Ethnic Background

☒ White, non-Hispanic ☐ African-American ☐ Hispanic  
☐ Asian or Pacific Islander ☐ Native American ☐ Other, Specify: \_\_\_\_\_

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# CHATHAM EDC

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
CORPORATION

## Board of Directors Application

Name Robert A. Enders, Jr.  
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Township of Residence \_\_\_\_\_

Are you currently serving on a board or committee in Chatham County? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please list all boards and committees on which you currently serve:

United Way of Chatham County

Please list your educational background. Include names of schools and degrees held.

University of Virginia - B.A. Biology

Virginia Commonwealth University - Masters of Healthcare Administration

Name of Employer Chatham Hospital (UNC Health Care System)

Address of Employer 475 Progress Blvd. Siler City NC 27344

Position President

Please list the names of the civic organizations in which you currently hold membership:

Rotary Club of Siler City

Explain how your education, knowledge and experience will be an asset to the EDC.

I have a master's degree in healthcare administration with  
30 years experience in the healthcare field. I have been active  
in community affairs during my working career. I was a board  
member of the Rockingham County EDC. I have experience in recruiting  
physicians to rural communities.

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Describe your vision for economic development in Chatham County.

Rural communities must be pro-active and aggressive to recruit  
industries. They must be as prepared as economically possible to  
provide support and assistance to new industries. Existing industry support  
and retention is also very important.

Is there a particular aspect of economic development that interests you? Explain how you would like to be involved.

I am interested in all aspects and would be willing to serve  
where needed.

Demographic Information (OPTIONAL)

We ask your help in assuring the diversity of membership on our boards and committees. This section is optional, and you may leave it blank.

Gender: ☒ Male ☐ Female

Date of Birth 1/31/1956

Ethnic Background

☒ White, non-Hispanic ☐ African-American ☐ Hispanic

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# CHATHAM EDC

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

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 Township of Residence PITTSBORO

Are you currently serving on a board or committee in Chatham County? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, please list all boards and committees on which you currently serve:

Please list your educational background. Include names of schools and degrees held.

MBA - BABSON COLLEGE A.S. ACCOUNTING - BENTLEY UNIVERSITY  
BS COMPUTER SYSTEMS - BENTLEY UNIVERSITY

Name of Employer EMC CORPORATION  
 Address of Employer 42 SAUND ST. BURLINGTON MA 01748  
 Position DIRECTOR, SOLUTIONS MARKETING

Please list the names of the civic organizations in which you currently hold membership:

Explain how your education, knowledge and experience will be an asset to the EDC.

MY BACKGROUND SPANS WORKING IN A STARTUP JOINTLY OWNED COMPANY FOR 5 YEARS  
BE WORKING IN FIVE COMPANIES FOR 38 YEARS. MY KNOWLEDGE SPANS MULTIPLE  
BUSINESS DISCIPLINES (MARKETING, CONSULTING, BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT, IT MANAGEMENT,  
WEB DESIGN AND DEVELOPMENT, PROJECT MANAGEMENT.) IN HIGH TECH SEE ATTACHED B.I.

My background spans working in a startup company for 5 years to working in EDC companies for 38 years. My knowledge spans multiple business disciplines (marketing, consulting, business development, IT management)

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Describe your vision for economic development in Chatham County.

WE SHOULD TO CONTRIBUTE 4 1/2 YEARS AGO FROM NOT AND LOW THE AREA I WANT VISIT  
MUCH TO SEE CHATHAM COUNTY GROW ECONOMICALLY AND SOCIAL TO A THREATEN  
COMMUNITY ENGAGED WITH WORKING BUSINESS DATA ISSUES AND BUSINESS PLANS  
I SEE GREAT POTENTIAL FOR CHATHAM COUNTY AS THE GO GOV CORP TO EXPAND

Is there a particular aspect of economic development that interests you? Explain how you would like to be involved.

THE MOST INTERESTED IN THE EXPANSION OF PITTSBORO RTJ TO INCLUDE THE  
PROPOSED "RTJ2" BASED ON AN ISUE BACKGROUND. I AM ALSO INTERESTED IN  
CONNECTING EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS TO EMPLOYMENT AND FURTHER ENLARGED PROGRAMS  
BASED ON QUALIFIED NEEDS AND FLOWING EDUCATION.

Demographic information (OPTIONAL)

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Gender: ☒ Male ☐ Female

Date of Birth 11/12/55

Ethnic Background

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Doug Emmons, Director, Solutions Marketing & SAP Global Solutions, EMC Corporation



Mr. Emmons has over thirty years experience with IT consulting, IT management, business applications software development, software product management, alliance and channel management, and solutions marketing. He has been working with SAP for the past 13 years. As global solutions practice lead, Mr. Emmons helps direct EMC's SAP solutions strategy, and oversees worldwide field and partner enablement programs and strategic sales support.

Prior to EMC, Mr. Emmons served as Director, Partner Programs at Compaq Computer where he established Compaq's Global Consultants and System Integrators program for SAP enterprise solution sales. Prior to Compaq, he held senior positions in business development, product management, and IT management at Digital Equipment. Mr. Emmons started his career working at a start-up software company for five years where he designed, developed, and product managed financial applications software. Mr. Emmons has completed graduate work towards a MSIT degree from Bentley University and holds a MBA from Babson College, and both a B.S. in Computer Systems and an A.S. in Accounting from Bentley University in Massachusetts.



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Name Pat Richardson  
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Township of Residence Orange

Are you currently serving on a board or committee in Chatham County? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please list all boards and committees on which you currently serve:

Retire NC Steering Committee  
Chatham Chamber of Commerce

Please list your educational background. Include names of schools and degrees held.

US Army - Personnel Management - Ft Benjamin Harrison  
Association of Fundraising Professionals, Hospitality Management  
Name of Employer Galloway Ridge at Fearington Hill Certification  
Address of Employer 3000 Galloway Ridge Pittsboro NC 27312  
Position Director of Community Relations

Please list the names of the civic organizations in which you currently hold membership:

Chatham Chamber of Commerce, Cary Chamber of Commerce  
Carolina Club, Chapel Hill Chamber of Commerce

Explain how your education, knowledge and experience will be an asset to the EDC.

Fundraising, development, people skills, sales, nonprofit  
management are all valued skills I can bring to the  
table. My years in all the industries and contacts are an  
asset I want to share with the EDC team.

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Describe your vision for economic development in Chatham County.

I envision growth for Chatham County for both big box and small business owners. I believe there is opportunity for both in our community and they can complement each other. Buy local is key as well and much needed collaborative efforts.

Is there a particular aspect of economic development that interests you? Explain how you would like to be involved.

I believe in the continuous growth of our community for business development, both small and large, and the services often associated with them. Providing jobs in our community is key to our economy and generations to come. Our youth and our future however without growth in various industries their futures are limited.

Demographic information (OPTIONAL)

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Gender: ☐ Male ☒ Female

Date of Birth 1/13/64

Ethnic Background

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