Robert J. (Bob) Barkanic PE

President and Managing Director, The Barkanic Group, LLC Appointed: July 2020

Lehigh County Appointing Authority: Governor

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Mr. Barkanic is the President and Managing Director of the Barkanic Group, LLC. His business focusses on energy and environmental matters in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, including consulting, lobbying, and performing energy assessments for small to medium sized manufacturing facilities, and helping clients with electricity and energy procurement issues. In addition, Mr. Barkanic has taught Energy Policy and Solar Finance and Development for the Pennsylvania State University's World Campus.

Prior to forming the Barkanic Group, LLC, Mr. Barkanic was the Senior Director of Energy Policy for Talen Energy and PPL Energy Plus where he had responsibility for all legislative and regulatory requirements for the Talen Energy Fleet. Mr. Barkanic has also served as a Deputy Secretary of the Department of Environmental Protections' Office of Air, Waste and Radiation Protection, as well as the Deputy Secretary for the Office of Pollution Prevention and Compliance Assistance and the Executive Director of Governor Tom Ridge's 21st Century Environment Commission. He started his career with the Department as a Senior Nuclear Engineer. Prior to working for the DEP, Mr. Barkanic worked in the nuclear industry for the Bechtel Power company building new nuclear facilities, cleaning up after the accident at Three Mile Island Unit 2 and working at the Savannah River Site on defense waste processing.

Mr. Barkanic was born in Hazleton PA, has his bachelor's degree in engineering and his Master of Engineering Science from the Pennsylvania State University and is a registered Professional Engineer in the Commonwealth. Mr. Barkanic has served on numerous boards and Commissions, most recently as a board member of the Hawk Mountain Sanctuary and the Conservation Committee of the Wildlands Conservancy Board.