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South Slave students awarded Deze bursaries

Four South Slave students have been awarded Deze Energy Corporation's 2009 Bursaries through the Environment and Natural Resource Technology Program at Thebacha Campus, Aurora College.

First year students Terrance Campbell and Justin Hendrie received \$1,000 and second year students Brent Starling and Philip Beaulieu received \$1,500 each. Campbell, Hendrie and Starling are from Fort Smith. Beaulieu is a resident of Fort Resolution.

"We're committed to business, employment and training opportunities for South Slave residents," says Don Balsillie, Chair, Deze Energy Corporation Ltd. "These bursaries are a way for us to encourage young people to prepare for future employment opportunities."

Deze Energy is the developer of the proposed Taltson Hydro Expansion Project, which would produce up to 56 megawatts of hydro electricity for the diamond mines of the Slave Geologic Province and create more than 800 direct and indirect jobs.

Graduates of the Environment and Natural Resources Technology Program are qualified as technicians and officers in natural resource and environmental management careers, including wildlife, forestry, fisheries, parks, oil, gas and mining.

Deze Energy Corporation Ltd.

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