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FOUNDER OF ASIAN-INDIAN AMERICANS
GROUP IS APPOINTED TO KEY FERC POST

(Washington, DC) -- Dr. Jan Pillai, founder and honorary chairman of the National Association of Americans of Asian-Indian Descent (NAAAID) has been appointed acting director for regulatory analysis at the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), according to Senator Bob Dole (R-KS).

"Dr. Pillai's appointment represents the first major appointment for the Asian-Indian community to the senior levels of the federal government. The administration and FERC made the right choice in recognizing Jan. He will bring credibility, initiative and a high level of professionalism to the FERC office," said Sen. Dole.

Dr. Pillai, a professor of law at Temple University, is a member of the finance committee of the Pennsylvania Republican Party. He holds J.S.D. and LL.M. degrees from Yale. A resident of Philadelphia, his wife Sarada and he are the parents of two children.

Dr. Pillai is scheduled to assume the permanent directorship of the office upon Senate confirmation of Martha Hesse as FERC chairman.