



## THE NATIONAL GAS COMPANY OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO LIMITED

### MEDIA RELEASE

#### **NGC Trevor Boopsingh Award -NGC supports future energy professionals**

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Trinidad and Tobago owes its success as one of the world's leading energy producers and exporters to the work of dedicated, pioneering individuals who led the way in the evolution of our energy industry, such as the late Trevor Boopsingh. The National Gas Company of Trinidad and Tobago Limited (NGC) in recognition of the important role of Mr. Boopsingh and other pioneers in the energy industry who laid the foundation for our current energy industry, established The Trevor Boopsingh Energy Studies Scholarship Fund. NGC has to date contributed TT\$1,000,000.00 to this fund, which will provide support to three undergraduate and one post graduate student annually for the period 2018-2024. As such over the 2018-2024 period 5 postgraduate students will receive support for the two-year duration of their studies and 18 undergraduate students will receive support for the three-year duration of their programme.

These scholarships provided to successful candidates forms part of NGC's Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with The UWI that establishes the Trevor Boopsingh Energy Studies Scholarship Fund. The MOA, for the 2018-2024 period seeks to provide financial assistance to students in the energy and petroleum sectors. Specifically, Petroleum Engineering; Chemical Engineering; Civil Engineering with Environmental Science; Environmental and Natural Resource Management; Environmental Science and Environmental Science and Natural Resource Management. The Fund and will not only assist the students financially with their academic studies but will also provide them with the opportunity to participate in NGC's undergraduate internship programme during the July/August vacation period. As such they will receive invaluable practical experience in the energy sector and the chance to learn from the best experts in their respective fields.

The 2018 awardees, Renisha Hercules, Vikki Lee and Jenna-Leigh Metivier were recipients of three scholarships at The UWI's Undergraduate Awards Ceremony for Scholarships and Bursaries held at the university's campus recently. The three young students are currently pursuing degrees in Chemical and Process Engineering as well as Environmental Sciences and Natural Resource Management.

According to Lisa Burkett, NGC's Corporate Communications Manager: *"The opportunity to support these students is a privilege for NGC as we wholeheartedly believe in the institution of education and its ability to advance Trinidad and Tobago's socioeconomic landscape. The support to these students gives NGC an opportunity to make a difference where it matters, the sustainability of the energy sector and by extension the national community"*.

Education has been a long-standing pillar of NGC's Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) portfolio and the Company remains committed to seeking avenues to support the elevation of our nation's youth in the energy sector to ensure the sustainability of Trinidad and Tobago's oil and gas industry.

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