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Apache Corporation Announces Planned Retirement Of Corporate Secretary; New Appointee Named

HOUSTON, May 17, 2016 /PRNewswire/ -- Apache Corporation (NYSE, Nasdaq: APA) today announced that Cheri L. Peper, corporate secretary, plans to retire effective Aug. 5, 2016.

Anthony Lannie, executive vice president and general counsel, commented, "Cheri's trusted counsel and expertise have been a tremendous asset to Apache throughout her nearly 23-year tenure. On behalf of the board and all Apache employees, I want to thank Cheri for her many contributions and wish her all the best in retirement."

Beginning July 11, 2016, Rajesh "Raj" Sharma, currently assistant general counsel - Governance, will assume the additional role of corporate secretary. From this date until her August retirement, Peper will act as assistant secretary to aid in the transition.

In Sharma's expanded position, he will be responsible for Apache's communication with its board of directors; shareholder relations; environmental, social and governance shareholder engagement; and compliance with the NYSE and Nasdaq stock exchanges.

Sharma joined Apache as corporate counsel in 2009 and was promoted to senior counsel in 2011 and assistant general counsel in 2014. Before joining Apache, he held positions of increasing responsibility at Mayer Brown LLP; Andrews Kurth LLP; and Fulbright & Jaworski, LLP. Previously, he worked as an accountant at ARCO Pipe Line and Pricewaterhouse Coopers. Sharma received his Bachelor of Business Administration in accounting, his Master in Professional Accounting from the University of Texas at Austin, and his Juris Doctor, cum laude, from the University of Houston Law Center. He was admitted to the bar in 2003. He is a certified public accountant.

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