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The National Energy Technology Laboratory (NETL) has selected Jimmy Thornton as the Division Director for the Geosciences Division. The Geosciences Division conducts exploratory and applied research in the areas of geosciences related to energy production and carbon sequestration.

Jimmy grew up in Hazard, Kentucky and earned a Master of Science in Electrical Engineering from West Virginia University. He lives in Morgantown, WV.

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