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The President today announced his intention to nominate James F. Hooper, III, of Columbus, Mississippi, to be a member of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority for the term expiring May 5, 1984. He succeeds Donald Opie McBride, whose term expired May 18, 1975.

Mr. Hooper has been self-employed in manufacturing, real estate, and farming. He was at one time the President of the Columbia Canning Company. He has been President of the Mississippi River Development Corporation since its founding. He has served on the Water Resource Advisory Board since 1960.

Mr. Hooper was born on September 3, 1915, in Selma, Alabama. He received his B. S. degree from Auburn University in 1938. He served in the United States Air Force during World War II.

Mr. Hooper is married to the former Virginia Fite.