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NARUC Announces New Board, Committee and Task Force Appointments

WASHINGTON (January 30, 2025) — Four state public utility commissioners have been tapped by National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners President Tricia Pridemore to join the Board of Directors, the Subcommittee on Education and Research and the Gas-Electric Alignment for Reliability Task Force.

Arkansas Public Utility Commissioner Katie Anderson will join the Board of Directors, filling the expired term of Puerto Rico Energy Board Commissioner Lillian Mateo-Santos. Anderson is a member of NARUC's Committee on Energy Resources and the Environment, serves as secretary on the Board of Directors for the Organization of MISO States, is a director for the Energy Regional State Committee and is an advisory council member of the New Mexico State University Center for Public Utilities.

For the Subcommittee on Education and Research, Iowa Utilities Commission Chairman Erik M. Helland and Arkansas PUC Chairman Doyle Webb have replaced the seats vacated by Pridemore and former Connecticut Commissioner John "Jack" Betkoski III. Helland serves on NARUC's Committee on Critical Infrastructure, the Washington Action Program, the Committee on Electricity and the Advanced Nuclear State Collaborative. Doyle, a former member of the Arkansas Senate, serves on the Committee on Electricity and is an advisory council member of the New Mexico State University Center for Public Utilities.

Finally, Iowa Commissioner Josh Byrnes was appointed to the GEAR Task Force. Byrnes also sits on the NARUC Executive Committee as the treasurer, is a member of the Committee on Gas, the Task Force on Natural Gas Resource Planning, is the current president of the Midcontinent Independent System Operator and serves on the Executive Committee of the Mid-America Regulatory Conference.

"Filling these positions with this group of highly qualified commissioners keeps NARUC on track to move forward providing the best service to our members, and by extension, the American public," said Pridemore, who serves on the Georgia Public Service Commission. "We are grateful for the hard work and contributions of those commissioners who held these posts previously."

NARUC's eight standing committees propose resolutions that, if approved by the Board of Directors, set Association policy on congressional, federal and industry matters. The committees, populated by state public service commissioners, also hold educational sessions and panel discussions on relevant issues to best serve NARUC members.

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About NARUC

NARUC is a non-profit organization founded in 1889 whose members include the governmental agencies that are engaged in the regulation of utilities and carriers in the fifty states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands. NARUC's member agencies regulate telecommunications, energy, and water utilities. NARUC represents the interests of state public utility commissions before the three branches of the federal government.