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Kentucky Commissioner Mathews Appointed to NARUC Board of Directors

WASHINGTON (May 15, 2019) — Commissioner Talina Mathews, PhD, of the Kentucky Public Service Commission was appointed to the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners Board of Directors by President Nick Wagner of the Iowa Utilities Board.

Mathews was appointed to the Kentucky PSC by Governor Matthew Bevin on July 3, 2017. Her term expires June 30, 2021. She served previously as the PSC's executive director and has also held positions as a policy advisor and staff economist. Related positions include roles as an economist for Kentucky's Office of Energy Policy, executive director of the Governor's Office of Energy Policy and in the Department for Energy Development and Independence as director of the Division of Energy Generation, Transmission and Distribution.

In addition to nearly two decades of government service, Commissioner Mathews has worked in the private sector with an engineering consulting firm and served as the director of member services and advocacy at the Organization of MISO States. She has held several adjunct teaching positions in economics and public policy.

She serves on NARUC's Committee on Electricity, Committee on Critical Infrastructure and Subcommittee on Clean Coal and Carbon Management. Mathews is the first vice president of the Southeastern Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners, vice president and treasurer of the Organization of PJM States, a member of the Board of Directors of the Organization of MISO States and a member of the Mid-Atlantic Conference of Regulatory Utilities Commissioners.

Mathews earned a Doctor of Philosophy and a Master of Arts in economics from the University of Kentucky. She holds a Bachelor of Arts in economics and mathematics from Berea College.

"I am honored by the confidence NARUC has placed in me through this appointment," Mathews said. "NARUC has earned tremendous respect among national policy makers and I look forward to working with its board to advocate for regulatory approaches that serve the best interests of our state and our country."

"I am excited to welcome Commissioner Mathews to the NARUC Board of Directors," said Wagner. "Her background, knowledge and experience in utility regulation will continue to provide significant and meaningful contributions to the Association."

The NARUC Board of Directors consists of the president, the first vice president, the second vice president, the treasurer, each past president who is an active member and 20 other active members representing state commissions. Mathews' term on the board expires October 31, 2022, but she may be reappointed by NARUC's Executive Committee.

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.