Alabama Commissioner Oden Appointed to NARUC Board of Directors

WASHINGTON (May 15, 2019) — Commissioner Jeremy Oden of the Alabama 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.

Oden was appointed to the Alabama PSC by Governor Robert J. Bentley in December 2012 and was elected to a full term in 2014. He served previously as a member of the Alabama House of Representatives and was first elected to the Alabama State House in 1998 until his PSC appointment.

His background includes experience in both the financial industry and the construction industry. Oden is an ordained minister, with a Bachelor's degree from Asbury University as well as two years of post-graduate Seminary studies. He is the current president of the Southeastern Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners, a member of the Eastern Interconnection States' Planning Council, the Nuclear Waste Strategy Coalition and serves on NARUC’s Committee on Electricity.

“I would like to thank President Wagner for the opportunity to serve on NARUC’s Board of Directors,” said Oden. “NARUC does an excellent job providing its diverse membership the chance to participate in industry-specific discussions, resulting in continued improvements in public utility regulation. I look forward to serving the Association in this new capacity.”

“Commissioner Oden has been an engaged member of NARUC,” said Wagner. “His positive approach, attitude, and regulatory experience will enrich the Association’s perspectives and continue to make positive impacts on behalf of our members.”

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. Oden’s term on the board expires October 31, 2022, but he may be reappointed by NARUC’s Executive Committee.

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