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NARUC Welcomes Wisconsin's Commissioner Nowak to the Board of Directors

WASHINGTON—Commissioner Ellen Nowak of the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin was appointed to the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners Board of Directors by President Nick Wagner of the Iowa Utilities Board.

As NARUC's former first vice president, Nowak served on the board and the executive committee until March 2018, when she was appointed by Governor Scott Walker to serve as the Secretary for the Department of Administration. She was a member of the PSC since July 2011 and became chairperson in March 2015. Nowak was reappointed to the PSC as the chairperson in December 2018 for a term that expires in 2023.

For NARUC, she served on several committees, including the Committee on Energy Resources and the Environment, the Task Force on Environmental Regulation and Generation and was a member of the Advisory Council for New Mexico State University's Center for Public Utilities. Moreover, she has represented NARUC before federal bodies and moderated panels at NARUC's national meetings. She holds a law degree from Marquette University and a Bachelor of Science from the University of Wisconsin–Milwaukee.

"I am so pleased to re-join my NARUC colleagues and I appreciate the appointments from both Governor Walker and President Wagner, which will allow me to continue to play an integral role in utility regulation at the state and national levels," said Nowak.

"NARUC is fortunate to have Chair Nowak return as a member, and we will benefit greatly from her exceptional history of regulatory leadership," said Wagner. "She is well-respected by her state peers and we are excited, as she will provide an immediate positive impact to NARUC."

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. Nowak's term on the board expires October 31, 2022, but she may be reappointed by NARUC's Executive Committee.

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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.