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The Organization of MISO States Elects 2026 Officers and Presents Annual David Carr Award to Laura Witzling of Wisconsin

Sioux Falls, S.D. – The Organization of MISO States (OMS) Board of Directors elected its 2026 leadership at its annual meeting in Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

The 2026 officers are as follows:

- President: **Michael Carrigan, Illinois**
- Vice-President: **Chris Nelson, South Dakota**
- Secretary: **Courtney Hjaltman, Texas**
- Treasurer: **Marcus Hawkins, Wisconsin**
- At-Large: **Sarah Martz, Iowa**
- Past President: **Joseph Sullivan, Minnesota**

The terms for the officers begin January 1, 2026.

"I am honored to be selected by my colleagues to serve as OMS President. The coming year will bring many challenges, but I am confident that OMS' members will make meaningful steps toward addressing resource adequacy, affordability, and transmission planning," said incoming OMS Board President and Illinois Commerce Commissioner Michael T. Carrigan.

OMS also presented its third annual David Carr Award for Outstanding Staff Contributions to Laura Witzling of the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin.

"Laura's willingness to dig into every detail, her command of complex resource adequacy issues, and her ability to make those concepts understandable and relevant to regulators have been tremendous assets to OMS," said Joe Sullivan, OMS President and Minnesota Public Utilities Commissioner. "Her thoughtful leadership and collaborative spirit exemplify the best of our workgroup process."

The Organization of MISO States is a not-for-profit, self-governing organization of representatives from each regulatory body with retail jurisdiction over entities participating in MISO and serves as the regional state committee. OMS coordinates to make comments and recommendations to MISO, the MISO Board of Directors, and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), and to intervene in proceedings before FERC to express the positions of the OMS member agencies.

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