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Organization of MISO States elects Norris as president for 2008

Iowa Utilities Board (IUB) Chairman John Norris of Des Moines has been elected to serve in 2008 as president of the Organization of MISO States (OMS). In 2007, Norris served as vice president of the OMS before assuming duties as its president in June.

The OMS was formed in June 2003. It is a nonprofit, self-governing regional oversight group with representatives from state utility regulatory commissions having jurisdiction over entities participating in the Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator (MISO), which is the Midwest's regional transmission management organization. The OMS coordinates regulatory resources and prepares recommendations on a wide range of energy issues for the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, MISO, state utility commissions, and other relevant government agencies.

"I am looking forward to working on the many important issues that 2008 will entail, including developing the market for demand response resources, ensuring adequate electric generation resources, and monitoring the development of the ancillary services market," said Norris.

Norris has served the IUB as a Board Member and as its Chairman since March 2005. He is currently serving a term on the Board that runs through April 30, 2011. Norris also serves on the Board of Directors of the National Regulatory Research Institute. He is a National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners member, serving on its Committee on Energy Resources and the Environment. In addition, Norris is the IUB representative to the Advisory Councils of the Iowa Energy Center and the Center for Global and Regional Environmental Research. He received his Bachelor of Arts degree from Simpson College, graduated with distinction from the University of Iowa Law School, and was Chief of Staff for former Governor Tom Vilsack.

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Attention Editors: Link to a photo of John Norris by visiting the IUB Web site, www.state.ia.us/iub. For more information about the OMS, visit www.misostates.org.