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Mid-America Regulatory Conference Inc.

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**MARC 2011 Business Meeting at the NARUC Winter Meeting
February 15, 2011
Washington D.C.**

The following MARC Commissioners were in attendance at the meeting:

Colette Honorable	Arkansas	Dennis O'Brien	Minnesota
Olan Reeves	Arkansas	Phyllis Reha	Minnesota
John Colgan	Illinois	Kevin Gunn	Missouri
Sherman Elliott	Illinois	Terry Jarrett	Missouri
Erin O'Connell-Diaz	Illinois	Robert Kenney	Missouri
Jim Atterholt	Indiana	Anne Boyle	Nebraska
Larry Landis	Indiana	Gerald Vap	Nebraska
Carolene Mays	Indiana	Tim Schram	Nebraska
David Ziegner	Indiana	Bob Anthony	Oklahoma
Rob Bernsten	Iowa	Jeff Cloud	Oklahoma
Darrell Hanson	Iowa	Dana Murphy	Oklahoma
Krista Tanner	Iowa	Valerie Lemmie	Ohio
Ward Loyd	Kansas	Tony Clark	North Dakota
Orjiakor Isiogu	Michigan	Brian Kalk	North Dakota
Greg White	Michigan	Steve Kolbeck	South Dakota
David Boyd	Minnesota	Chris Nelson	South Dakota

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by President Kolbeck at 7:30 a.m.

Welcome New Commissioners and Introductions:

Introductions of commissioners present were made.

Welcome Guests and Introductions:

Midwest Energy Efficiency Alliance (MEEA) – President Kolbeck introduced Diana Munn, board member and Kevin Cullather, senior policy advisor, who presented information on MEEA. They want to bring together diverse interests to create common ground regarding energy efficiency. They suggested that MEEA be used as a resource. They would like to start a forum, and asked for support and participation. The website is www.mwalliance.org.



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President Kolbeck introduced Miles Keogh from NARUC who discussed available grant funding that NARUC was able to secure for consulting and training. \$180,000 remains and must be used by July. Mr. Miles proposed a split among the five regions to receive \$36,000 each. The funds have restrictions for use. The MARC funds would be available to be used for the MARC Annual Meeting to pay up to \$24,999 for training and a refund program for travel and expenses of Commissioners. President Kolbeck will work with Mr. Keogh on distribution of funds. Commissioner Colette Honorable commended Mr. Keogh for his work in securing the dollars.

Minutes and Secretary's Report:

The minutes from the November 16, 2010 Business Meeting were circulated by Commissioner Honorable and from the January 15, 2011 Business Meeting by President Kolbeck. Commissioner Ziegner moved to approve the minutes and Commissioner Lemmie seconded the motion. The motion carried and the minutes were approved without opposition.

Treasurer's Report:

Commissioner Honorable presented the Treasurer's Report. Notice was made of Cindy Kemnitz from South Dakota as the MARC Staff Treasurer. A request was made to move the MARC accounts from Wells Fargo to a bank more local and accessible to the staff treasurer. The MARC Treasurer would also be named on the accounts. Commissioner Jarrett moved to approve the report and Commissioner White seconded the motion which carried without opposition.

President's Call for Next MARC Business Meeting:

The next MARC business meeting will be held on Monday, June 6, 2011 during the MARC Annual Meeting at the Ramkota Hotel and Conference Center in Rapid City, SD.

MARC 2011 Annual Meeting:

The 2011 Annual Meeting will be held at the Ramkota Hotel and Conference Center in Rapid City, SD. President Kolbeck made a correction to the previously stated dates. The registration and events will begin on June 4 and continue through June 8. He previewed the meeting topics and fun events planned for the conference, indicating the details would be on-line at the Website.

NRRI Comments:

NRRI Executive Director Scott Hempling advised the MARC commissioners of "Preside or Lead", a book of essays written by Mr. Hempling regarding effective regulation. NRRI will be sending a box to all member Commissions.

Mr. Hempling advised the commissioners of two studies, "Smart Grid Strategy" by Tom Stanton and "Smart Grid Data: Must There Be Conflict Between Energy Management and Consumer Privacy" by Sherry Lichtenburg.



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New Business:

Investments – President Kolbeck advised the commissioners that he is working with Gray & Associates regarding the MARC investments.

Elections – MARC will elect a NARUC Second Vice President nominee at the business meeting in June. There was discussion regarding whether the votes should be by state commission or by individual commissioners. President Kolbeck will review the by-laws and report at the next business meeting.

Motion to Adjourn:

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 a.m.

*Respectfully submitted,
Commissioner Carolene Mays*