



# MRO Board Appoints Advisory Council Membership

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**Saint Paul, MN.** The Midwest Reliability Organization Board of Directors approved membership on the CMEP Advisory Council, the Reliability Advisory Council, and the Security Advisory Council. This is the final step in implementing the board's decision to restructure MRO's existing organizational groups to facilitate participation from all entities registered in MRO's expanded footprint and increase the effectiveness and efficiency of our work. Charters for the advisory councils were approved in October, and staff solicited nominations from MRO members for open council seats shortly thereafter.

About the selection process, Senior Vice President and Chief Operating Officer Richard Burt said "We could not be more pleased with the interest shown by MRO members to participate on the advisory councils. There were so many qualified candidates that staff spent many hours identifying the mix of council members that reflect geographic diversity of the region, the needed experience and expertise, and to the extent possible, sector balance. All of the councils have at least five industry sectors recommended."

Staff provided its recommendation, which included a mix of candidates from within all levels of both large and small organizations across the regional footprint, to the board's Governance and Personnel Committee for review in late October. Following its review, the GPC made its recommendation to the board at its meeting on November 28, 2019.

The [new advisory council members](#) will be seated on January 1, 2019, and will begin work in the first quarter.

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