

MRO Seeks Board of Director Nominations

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Saint Paul, MN. Midwest Reliability Organization (MRO) is notifying its members of industry sector seats on the MRO Board of Directors that expire on December 31, 2021. MRO is seeking nominations from MRO sector members for these open positions. The desired qualifications for board directors can be found in [Policy and Procedure 1](#) (MRO Board of Directors) and the board's [Guiding Principles](#) on MRO's website.

Background

The MRO Board of Directors is a hybrid board with independent and stakeholder directors. The members of MRO's seven industry sectors elect the stakeholder directors. The industry sector seats are balanced to ensure that regional reliability interests are fairly represented and no two sectors can control a vote. MRO members should endeavor to nominate and elect individuals who hold senior management or officer positions within their organizations. These positions are voluntary and do not receive compensation.

There is persuasive governance literature demonstrating that companies with diverse boards outperform other companies. MRO encourages nominations of talented and diverse candidates for director positions.

Notice of Expiring Seats

The following seats expire on December 31, 2021, and are open for nominations from members of each listed sector. Incumbents are eligible for reelection and are encouraged to submit a nomination form.

Canadian Utility Sector

- Incumbent: Tony Clark, Manitoba Hydro

Cooperative Utility Sector

- Incumbent: Gordon Pietsch, Great River Energy

Federal Power Marketing Agency Sector

- Incumbent: Lloyd Linke, Western Area Power Administration

Generator Power Marketer Sector

- Incumbent: Silvia Parada Mitchell, NextEra Energy – *Not seeking reelection*

Transmission System Operator Sector

- Incumbent: Keri Glitch, MISO

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Call for Nominations

Please note that only individuals employed or appointed by an MRO member company are eligible to serve on the MRO Board. The MRO website provides a [list of members](#) and [information](#) on how to apply for membership.

To nominate an individual for any of these open positions, please submit a [nomination form](#).

The nomination period opens today and closes on **October 6, 2021.**

If you would like to convene a sector meeting by conference call to discuss these open positions, please contact [Julie Peterson](#).

Next Steps

Following the close of the nomination period, an electronic ballot will be conducted for the sector to elect its board representative(s). Newly elected directors will be introduced at MRO's [Annual Member and Board Meeting](#) on December 2, 2021, and will be seated on January 1, 2022.

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Midwest Reliability Organization (MRO) is a non-profit organization dedicated to ensuring the reliability and security of the bulk power system in the central region of North America, including parts of both the United States and Canada. MRO is one of six regional entities in North America operating under authority from regulators in the United States through a delegation agreement with the North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC) and in Canada under similar arrangements. The primary focus of MRO is developing and ensuring compliance with reliability standards and assessing the grid's ability to meet the demands for electricity.

