



COVID-19 Response Efforts Continue, Office Reopening Postponed Until Further Notice

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SAINT PAUL, MN. As variants of the COVID-19 virus lead to a rise in transmission and hospitalization rates, MRO's Emergency Response Team (ERT) announced it is postponing MRO's planned office reopening date of September 13, 2021. Having implemented several pandemic safety measures at MRO's facility in Saint Paul, Minnesota, the office will remain open on a voluntary basis for those employees that wish to be there. The ERT continues to monitor the pandemic situation closely and is following guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and state and local authorities.

The health and safety of MRO staff, stakeholders, and others involved in our daily activities remains a top priority. As such, MRO will not provide in-person options for any of its scheduled meetings or events through the end of 2021. "While we were so looking forward to meeting with our stakeholders again in person, this change in conditions warrants that we proceed with caution," said president and CEO Sara Patrick.

MRO's website calendar has been updated to reflect this change.

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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.