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State Environmental Commissioners Elect Secretary-Treasurer

Washington, DC –The Environmental Council of the States (ECOS) extends its congratulations to Becky Keogh on her selection as ECOS Secretary-Treasurer. Keogh, Director of Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ), was elected Tuesday at ECOS' Fall Meeting in West Virginia. She joins newly elected ECOS President John Linc Stine, Vice President Todd Parfitt, and Past President Martha Rudolph as an officer for the 2016-2017 year.

As noted in Monday's announcement of elected officers, the ECOS officers' and Executive Committee's priority for this year is to build strong relationships with incumbent officials and to carry the voice of state environmental agencies to decision makers in the new administration, as well as to Congress, the business community, and nongovernmental organizations. Keogh's broad involvement in ECOS committees, including that of Air, Compliance, Cross-Media, Water, and E-Enterprise for the Environment, as well as her leadership in ADEQ, will enable her to lead the states through this year of political transition. "I am honored to serve in this leadership role for ECOS, an organization with which I have had many years of positive involvement," said Keogh. "ECOS brings state environmental leaders together to share expertise, knowledge, and experience. Together, the states are stronger with ECOS," she added.

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