

Environmental Council of the States: Arkansas Department of Energy and Environment Secretary Becky Keogh Named President's Award Winner



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The Environmental Council of the States (“ECOS”) announced that Becky Keogh has been awarded the President’s Award.

Ms. Keogh serves as Secretary of the Arkansas Department of Energy and Environment.

ECOS describes itself as a national nonprofit, nonpartisan association of state and territorial environmental agency leaders whose purpose is to improve the capability of State environmental agencies and their leaders to protect and improve human health and the environment of the United States.

ECOS states that the President’s Award honors a member who has:

. . . made significant contributions to environmental initiatives.

Ms. Keogh formerly served as President of ECOS and is stated to have engaged in a number of the organization’s committees, including:

- Air
- Compliance
- Cross Media
- Water
- E-enterprise

She is stated to be a proponent of consistency from the United States Environmental Protection Agency and a “driving force behind the ECOS Cooperative Federalist Initiative.”

Governor Asa Hutchinson is quoted as stating:

Secretary’s Keogh’s dedication to protecting the environment and to creating sound environmental policy has been an incredible asset to the Natural State. . .On a national scale, her advocacy for clear and consistent policy from the United States Environmental Protection Agency and her work to promote cooperation between federal and state regulators has benefitted not only Arkansas, but all states. It comes as no surprise that her peers at the Environmental Council of the States have recognized her work with the President’s Award.

A copy of an Arkansas Department of Energy and Environment – Division of Environmental Quality news release describing the award can be found [here](#).