News from the Oklahoma Corporation Commission

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MEDIA ADVISORY

(Oklahoma City) Oklahoma Corporation Commissioner Todd Hiett will take the requisite oaths of office for his first six-year term on Monday, January 12.

After a successful 12 years in the Oklahoma Legislature, Hiett has worked for the past eight years with various entities in the manufacturing, navigation and energy industries. He continues to operate his ranch south of Kellyville, where he resides with his wife and three children.

Hiett won the June 24, 2014 Republican primary for Corporation Commissioner and did not have an opponent in the general election.

Hiett was elected to the Oklahoma House of Representatives in 1994 at the age of 27 and was chosen to be house minority leader in 2002. In 2004, Hiett became the first Republican house speaker in more than eight decades.

Hiett will take the oaths of office at a ceremony beginning at noon on the south steps of the State Capitol Building.

Hiett will take two oaths: The oath taken by all statewide office holders, followed by the additional oath required by the Oklahoma Constitution for the office of Corporation Commissioner. This unique oath includes many elements that speak to Oklahoma's past as well as to the formidable responsibility of the Corporation Commission. A copy of the Corporation Commissioner Oath can be found below.

The Corporation Commission's current jurisdiction includes electric, natural gas and private water utilities, telephone service, trucking, oil and natural gas production and related environmental protection and remediation, storage and dispensing of gasoline and other motor fuels, environmental remediation of areas polluted by motor fuels and other refined products, intrastate pipelines, cotton gins, rail crossings, wrecker service, taxis, and limousines.

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CONSTITUTIONAL OATH OF OFFICE – CORPORATION COMMISSIONER

I, (name), do solemnly swear that I am not, directly or indirectly, interested in any railroad, street railway, traction line, canal, steam boat, pipe line, car line, sleeping car line, car association, express line, telephone or telegraph line, nor in the bonds, stocks, mortgages, securities, contract or earnings of any railroad, street railway, traction line, canal, steam boat, pipe line, car line, sleeping car line, car association, express line, telephone or telegraph line; and that I will, to the best of my ability, faithfully and justly execute and enforce the provisions of this Constitution of the State of Oklahoma, and all the laws of the State of Oklahoma concerning railroads, street railways, traction lines, canals, steam boats, pipe lines, car lines, sleeping car lines, car associations, express lines, telephone and telegraph lines, compress and elevator companies, and all other corporations over which said Commission has jurisdiction.

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