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Doug Elliott elected Treasurer of the National Association of Development Organizations

Washington, DC – Doug Elliott, Executive Director of the East Central Iowa Council of Governments (ECICOG) in Cedar Rapids, Iowa was elected Treasurer of the National Association of Development Organizations (NADO) on August 26, 2014 at the association’s Annual Business Meeting. The meeting was held in conjunction with NADO’s 47th Annual Training Conference in Denver, CO.

Elliott began his service at ECICOG in 1994 as the executive director. Before joining ECICOG, he was executive director of the North Iowa Area Council of Governments in Mason City, IA. He also serves on the Iowa Association of Regional Councils Board of Director; Cedar Rapids Public Library Board of Trustees, Cedar Rapids Museum of Art Board of Trustees, Kingston Hill Board of Directors and the Housing Trust Fund of Johnson County Operations Committee.

The East Central Iowa Council of Governments (ECICOG) is an intergovernmental council established in 1972 under Chapter 28E and provided for under Chapter 28H of the Code of Iowa. Governed by a board of directors comprised of elected officials and private citizens, ECICOG was created to promote regional cooperation and to provide professional planning services to local governments in Benton, Cedar, Iowa, Johnson, Jones, Linn, Tama, and Washington Counties.

“We are honored to have Doug Elliott serve as Treasurer of NADO. He brings a wealth of expertise, knowledge and leadership on regional community and economic development issues to the national level,” stated Joe McKinney, NADO Executive Director. “Most importantly, he is focused on helping our nation’s local communities pursue comprehensive regional strategies for remaining economically competitive in today’s rapidly changing global environment.”

Other officers elected for the 2013 – 2014 term were: President; President Terry Bobrowski, Executive Director, East Tennessee Development District, Alcoa, TN; First Vice President Jeff Kiely, Executive Director, Northwest New Mexico Council of Governments, Gallup, NM; Second Vice President Lynne Keller Forbes, Executive Director, South Eastern Council of Governments, Sioux Falls, SD and Scott Koons, Executive Director, North Central Florida RPC, Gainesville, FL. NADO’s Immediate Past President, Peter Gregory, Executive Director, Two Rivers-Ottawaquechee Regional Commission, Woodstock, VT, will also serve on the organization’s Executive Committee.

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Building on nearly five decades of experience, the National Association of Development Organizations (NADO) serves as the national voice of regional development organizations. The association is an advocate for federal community and economic development programs and policies that help local communities improve their local economy and quality of life. For more information about NADO and the NADO Research Foundation, visit www.nado.org.