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Washington County Commissioner Dennis Hegberg re-elected chair of Minnesota Counties Intergovernmental Trust (MCIT)

Washington County Commissioner Dennis Hegberg was elected on a unanimous vote of the MCIT Board of Directors to serve as chair in 2012 during the group's organizational meeting Jan. 13. Hegberg represents Washington County's District 1, which encompasses Birchwood, Dellwood, Forest Lake, Grant, Hugo, Mahtomedi, Marine on St. Croix, Pine Springs, Scandia, White Bear Lake, and Willernie.

This is Hegberg's seventh election to this position by his colleagues. He was first elected to serve as chair for 2006. Hegberg was first appointed by the Association of Minnesota Counties (AMC) to serve on the MCIT board in 1993. Commissioner Hegberg also serves on the MCIT Claims Committee and the MCIT Personnel Committee. He previously has served on the MCIT Bylaws Committee.

Hegberg is currently one of five Minnesota county commissioners serving on the nine-member MCIT Board of Directors. The board is comprised of five seats filled by county commissioners; two seats filled by county commissioners, auditors or auditor-treasurers; and one seat filled by a county administrator or coordinator who is appointed by recommendation from the Minnesota Association of County Administrators.

Washington County continues to reap the benefits of being in the joint-risk sharing pool, including receiving dividends as a result of the pool's favorable loss experience, the county's commitment to risk management and the positive performance of MCIT's investment portfolio. In 2011, Washington County received a dividend that totaled \$944,994, \$473,195 attributable to workers' compensation coverage and \$471,799 attributable to property and casualty coverage.

MCIT is a joint-risk sharing pool organized in 1979. It is a public entity that provides property, casualty and workers' compensation coverage and risk management services to 81 of Minnesota's 87 counties and approximately 350 other public entities in the state. MCIT is a cost-effective solution to the traditional insurance market offering not only financial protection in the event of loss, but also comprehensive risk management and loss control services.