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STEVE W. ETCHER ELECTED TREASURER OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATIONS

Washington, DC – Steve W. Etcher, Executive Director of the Boonslick Regional Planning Commission (BRPC) in Warrenton, Missouri was elected Treasurer of the National Association of Development Organizations (NADO) on October 11, 2011 at NADO’s Annual Business Meeting. The meeting was held in conjunction with the association’s 44th Annual Training Conference in Miami, Florida.

Etcher has served as the executive director of the Boonslick Regional Planning Commission since 1992. Prior to his term as executive director, he served as the fiscal officer for the organization from 1988 to 1992. BRPC is a council of local governments that serves three counties in east-central Missouri. BRPC functions as an economic development district (EDD) and a rural planning organization (RPO). BRPC was established in May 1968, and is governed by a 35 member board of directors.

“We are honored to have Steve Etcher 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 Matthew Chase, 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 were President Russell Cowley, Executive Director of the Six County AOG in Richfield, UT; First Vice President John Leonard, Executive Director of the Southern Georgia Regional Commission in Valdosta, GA; Second Vice President Peter Gregory, Executive Director of the Two Rivers-Ottawaquechee Regional Commission in Woodstock, VT; and Secretary Terry Bobrowski, Executive Director of the East Tennessee Development District in Alcoa, TN.

The National Association of Development Organizations (NADO) promotes public policies that strengthen local governments, communities and economies through the regional strategies, coordination efforts and program expertise of the nation’s 520 regional development organizations.