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## **PJM BOARD PROMOTES THOMAS O'BRIEN TO SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT AND CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER**

(Valley Forge, Pa. – Feb. 16, 2017) – The PJM Board of Managers has promoted Thomas O'Brien to senior vice president and chief information officer. O'Brien previously was vice president and chief information officer.

"Now more than ever our industry needs visionary leadership around information technology," said Andrew Ott, president and CEO. "Tom's knowledge and leadership of PJM's information technology, security and resilience vision and strategy has been a real asset.

"His promotion clearly reflects his growth and leadership in the organization and the industry," Ott said.

O'Brien is responsible for PJM's information technology services activities, including Business Solutions, Application Development Services, and Infrastructure & Operations. Additionally, he provided active leadership for implementation of the Advanced Control Center Program including oversight of creation of a new information and application architecture for the PJM Energy Management and Market Management Systems.

Prior to joining PJM in 2002, he was employed by GPU Energy and First Energy. He earned his Bachelor of Arts in mathematics with a concentration in computer science from Shippensburg University and also earned a Master of Business Administration from LaSalle University. He recently completed a certificate program in Advanced Computer Security through the Stanford Center for Professional Development.

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