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Salem—Today the director of the Oregon Department of Administrative Services, Lindsay Ball, announced the appointment of Dugan Petty as the department's new chief information officer, and Robin E. Harpster as the administrator of the state Facilities Division.

"These are talented and experienced professionals who will serve the state well," Ball said of Petty and Harpster. "They bring excellent backgrounds and skills to these important positions, and I'm eager to work with them."

Dugan Petty

Dugan Petty has served as the department's acting-CIO since September 2006, when Michael Zanon vacated the position to accept a post with the Oregon State Police. In his new job, Petty will continue administering Oregon's Enterprise Information Strategy and Policy Division (EISPD), which oversees planning and development of information systems for state government. A reorganization in September 2006 created the new division in place of the Information Resources Management Division.

As acting-CIO, Petty has led an ambitious and comprehensive effort to bring an "enterprise" approach to planning the future of state government's information systems. A key feature of the strategy is to reduce costly duplication of efforts and resources, and maximize the benefits of unified systems that save money for taxpayers and solves problems more effectively.

"I'm excited about carrying forward the work we have started," Petty said. "State government has a great opportunity to transform its information systems into tools that meet its citizens' expectations and demands effectively, efficiently and economically."

Before taking his present position, Petty served as deputy administrator of the State Services Division, with responsibilities for risk management, procurement, surplus services and the state fleet. In 2001, he led the development of the Sustainable Supplier Council, whose recommendations helped change specifications in various products the state buys.

A graduate of the University of Oregon, Petty has chaired the Western States Contracting Alliance, and has served on the board of directors of the Universal Public Purchasing Council. He has also served as the president of the National Association of State

Procurement Officials and on the board of directors of the National Electronic Commerce Coordinating Council.

In 1997 and 1998, he collaborated with the National Association of State Information Resource Executives on ways to improve practices in contracting for services and products in information technology, leading to the publication of *Buying Smart—State Procurement Reform Saves Millions*.

Robin E. Harpster

Robin E. Harpster will replace Bill Foster as administrator of the state Facilities Division, which manages building operations and maintenance for state government, as well as leasing, acquisition and sale of property, construction, parking, and other related operations. She presently serves as the programming services coordinator for the Clark County School District in Las Vegas, where she works as the site administrator for development and implementation of the district's "Facilities Capital Master Plan."

Harpster will begin work on June 4.

Prior to working with the Clark County School District, Harpster served as forward planning manager for Centex Homes in Las Vegas, a position that involved work in government affairs in site planning and related issues. She has also served as project manager for EN Engineering in Las Vegas, conducting entitlement coordination for commercial and residential development projects in Nevada, Hawaii, Utah and Arizona.

Harpster holds a master's degree in public administration from City University in Washington and bachelor's degree from the University of Nevada, Las Vegas.