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Joseph O'Rourke named CIO at BPA

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PORTLAND, Ore. – The Bonneville Power Administration named Joseph O'Rourke as its first chief information officer. O'Rourke's previous job was Information Resources Management services manager of Air Traffic Services with the Federal Aviation Administration in Seattle.

O'Rourke will assume his duties at BPA on Sept. 14. He will join the Agency Policy, Compliance and Oversight (APCO) group — the governance side of the BPA's Shared Services. O'Rourke will report to Jim Curtis, the acting ACPO vice president. The CIO will play a key role in the governance function and will lead the collaborative effort to set standards for all information management activities in the agency. One of his immediate challenges will be to lead the agency's effort to assure that BPA moves into the year 2000 without any significant computer problems.

Curtis has high praise for O'Rourke: "Joe comes to BPA with high marks from coworkers in the areas of teamwork and facilitation. His leadership in bringing together an IRM Business Performance Plan last year for the FAA is particularly impressive."

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