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Madison Township in Franklin County and the Solid Waste Authority of Central Ohio join the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission

(Columbus – April 10, 2014) In order to maintain a strong collaboration on regional issues, the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission's (MORPC's) members continue to seek opportunities to grow the organization. Today Madison Township in Franklin County and the Solid Waste Authority of Central Ohio (SWACO) applications for membership were approved by the MORPC Board.

Madison Township's membership will provide the opportunity for one representative to serve as a voting member at the MORPC Commission meetings. "I'm excited that Madison Township is able to join MORPC as they are trusted advisors to the area and a great source of research, data, and information," states Victor Paini, Madison Township Trustee. "Madison Township has a unique impact on the region due to the Rickenbacker area and its continued growth. Having a partner in MORPC will be good for Madison Township residents, businesses and the overall region. I look forward to partnering with MORPC on upcoming projects affecting transportation and business development initiatives in Madison Township."

SWACO's associate membership will promote stronger partnerships among MORPC members and create opportunities to further advance regional collaboration.

"We are pleased to welcome these new organizations to our membership as we strengthen our collaborative efforts across all levels of local government. Townships are an important segment of our local government partners and SWACO brings a new partnership and voice to regional challenges," states William Murdock, MORPC Executive Director.

The MORPC Board meets 11 times each year to discuss important regional issues, guide the direction of MORPC's work, network with local leaders to discuss common problems, create solutions to shared regional challenges and provide input on funding decisions. Additional benefits of serving on MORPC's Board include grants and funding opportunities, educational forums, training and seminars, technical assistance and data, policy development, collaboration and networking.

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