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CII Appoints Ken Bertsch as Executive Director

Washington, D.C., Feb. 26, 2016 — The Board of Directors of the Council of Institutional Investors (CII) today announces the appointment of Ken Bertsch as executive director, effective March 15. Bertsch fills the vacancy created by Ann Yerger's departure in July 2015. The selection was made after an exhaustive national search and selection process, with Korn Ferry providing executive recruiting services. Amy Borrus has acted as interim executive director during the search period, for which the board expresses its deep appreciation.

"Ken's wealth of knowledge and experience will be a great addition to our organization," said CII Board Chair Michael McCauley. "His deep experience will be a tremendous asset to the Council as we continue to advocate for advances in shareowner rights and engage stakeholders for dialogue in this dynamic environment."

Bertsch has more than 30 years of experience across a wide range of investment, consulting, management and corporate governance roles. He is currently a partner at CamberView Partners. He previously served as president and CEO of the Society of Corporate Secretaries & Governance Professionals; head of corporate governance/proxy voting at Morgan Stanley Investment Management; managing director for corporate governance analysis at Moody's Investors Service; director of the governance engagement program at TIAA-CREF; and various positions at the Investor Responsibility Research Center. He holds a JD from Fordham University School of Law and an undergraduate degree from Williams College.

"The Council of Institutional Investors has been at the center of remarkable changes in corporate governance over the last 30 years," remarked Bertsch. "CII is primed to continue its critical role in advocating for effective corporate governance and shareholder rights. I am honored to follow in the footsteps of Ann Yerger and Sarah Teslik before her, and very pleased for the opportunity to work with CII's terrific membership, board and talented staff."

The Council of Institutional Investors (CII) is a nonprofit association of pension funds, other employee benefit funds, endowments and foundations, with combined assets that exceed \$3 trillion. CII is a leading voice for effective corporate governance and strong shareowner rights. CII educates its members, policymakers and the public about corporate governance, shareowner rights and related investment issues, and advocates on its members' behalf.