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APEX Hires New Operations Specialist

Duluth, MN: The Area Partnership for Economic Expansion (APEX) is pleased to welcome Janet Windus to the team in the newly created position of Operations Specialist. Windus comes to APEX with a wealth of experience in accounting and payroll services, customer service, and administrative functions. She joined the APEX team on April 11, 2018.

"We're so pleased to have Janet as part of our team," said Brian Hanson, APEX President and CEO. "Her 18+ years of professional office experience and organizational skills will help streamline our operations. She is already a great addition to APEX."

As Operations Specialist, Windus is responsible for general office administration, assisting with the hiring and training of interns, and the coordination of APEX events and promotional activities to maximize efficiency and effectiveness. Additionally, Windus will assist with accounting, including accounts receivable and invoicing.

Windus comes to APEX after most recently working as a Human Resources Assistant. She has held a long and fruitful career as a Bookkeeper, Contract Coordinator, Legal and Administrative Assistant for various local businesses, schools, and churches. Windus holds an Associate Degree in Business Administration from Lake Superior College and Certificates in Legal Risk Management and Contract Management through the University of California.

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About APEX

APEX is the private-sector led business development engine for northeast Minnesota and northwest Wisconsin. APEX investor-members represent some of the most influential companies in the region, with a collaborative approach to promoting sustainable economic growth. APEX attraction, expansion and retention efforts focus in areas including aviation, manufacturing, professional services and next generation forest products. APEX has impacted over 4,200 jobs in the region, resulting in an annual regional payroll of over \$170 million and contributing to over \$23 million in state and local taxes annually. For more information on APEX, please visit www.APEXgetsbusiness.com.