Given the growing concerns about the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) and the increased impact it is having on some communities, CEWD has made the decision to cancel the West/Northwest Region Meeting and South/Southeast Region Meeting to have taken place on April 8-9th and May 13-14th in Portland, Oregon and New Orleans, Louisiana respectively.

Recognizing the value that is offered by the region meetings, we did not make this decision in haste. However, it became increasingly apparent that cancelling the meeting was the right thing to do. The health and safety of our members, attendees, speakers, staff, and our communities are our top priorities.

At this time, all future CEWD Region Meetings will take place, as scheduled, though we will continue to assess public health and travel conditions in the coming weeks. Should these meetings take place as anticipated, we hope members in these Regions will join us at one of our other regional programs:

- **June 10-11**: Omaha, NE
- **July 21-22**: Boston, MA

We are grateful for Portland General Electric and Entergy’s willingness to host this year’s meetings; it is unfortunate, for many reasons, that we won’t be with them.

If you have registered for the either Region Meeting, please remember to cancel any personal arrangements you’ve made, such as travel and housing reservations.