



*Anthony Fryer*

### **Fryer named CIP coordinator, Burdette and Gransee are new SEO managers**

Anthony Fryer is the new coordinator of the Conservation Improvement Program (CIP) and is the contact person for utilities regarding CIP activities, according to organizational changes made recently at the Minnesota Department of Commerce State Energy Office (SEO). Fryer takes over the day-to-day responsibilities for CIP, duties previously performed by Jessica Burdette.

Burdette and Michelle Gransee were named co-managers of SEO, replacing SEO Manager Janet Streff, who retired in March. Burdette oversees CIP and the regulation of over 180 natural gas and electric utility efficiency programs. In addition, she is now responsible for public sector energy efficiency and conservation programs, energy assurance activities, collection and management of data, grant and contract management, and financial programs administered by SEO.

Gransee oversees the low-income Weatherization Assistance Program, Clean Energy Technologies, and Program Connections. Gransee and Burdette report to Bill Grant, Commerce Department Deputy Commissioner for the Division of Energy Resources.

Fryer has been with the SEO since January 2015, serving as building technologies program administrator and working with the CIP team. He was a senior analyst for the Appliance Standards Awareness Project in the Twin Cities for nearly 3 years prior to that. He earned a law degree at William Mitchell College of Law in Saint Paul in 2009, served as a judicial law clerk in 2010, and was an attorney for Open Access Technology International, Inc. from January 2011 to July 2012. From 2002 to 2006, he managed a team for D&R International that was responsible for implementing the U.S. Department of Energy's ENERGY STAR® Appliance Program, a nationwide energy-efficiency initiative. Fryer can be reached at [anthony.fryer@state.mn.us](mailto:anthony.fryer@state.mn.us) or 651-539-1858.