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GOMEZ APPOINTED TO VANTAGE WEST BOARD

TUCSON, Arizona. (January 26, 2017) – Vantage West Credit Union (<u>vantagewest.org</u>), southern Arizona's largest credit union, is pleased to announce the appointment of Augustine Gomez as an Associate Director to the Vantage West Board of Directors.

In his new role, Gomez will be providing valuable insight to the Board. The Vantage West Board helps set the strategic direction of the credit union, supports efforts to ensure it maintains an excellent financial standing, and guides the credit union as it continues to provide value to the membership.

Gomez has substantial experience in real estate investments with a focus on land and housing. He is currently an executive of a large real estate investment firm with over 130 properties in the southwestern US, where he is responsible for raising investor capital and overseeing new acquisitions, asset management, and holdings disposition.

He has held various industry-related positions in acquisitions and project management with a Fortune 500 public homebuilder and as a co-founder and principal in a private land investment firm. Augustine is also the President of a philanthropic board and has been a credit union member for over 20 years.

About Vantage West Credit Union

Vantage West Credit Union is a \$1.6-billion financial institution in Arizona, which serves a growing membership of more than 140,000. Vantage West has 17 branches in Pima, Pinal, Maricopa and Cochise counties and serves its vast global membership via online channels, as well. Vantage West is a full-service financial institution, offering consumer and business loans, credit cards, and deposit products, as well as retirement accounts and other financial services. Vantage West is federally insured by NCUA. vantagewest.org