

# Gateway Fiber's Co-Founder and CEO Heath Sellenriek Becomes Independent Board Director, Board Appoints Chris Surdo as Successor

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WRIGHT CITY, Mo.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- Gateway Fiber has announced President Chris Surdo will become CEO and expand his leadership responsibilities as current CEO Heath Sellenriek has chosen to step down but will remain involved as an Independent Director on the Board of Directors. Sellenriek has been at the helm since he co-founded the company in 2019 and will continue to support the company's forward movement in his new capacity.

In his announcement to Gateway Fiber team members, Sellenriek said, "This transition is a planned and thoughtful step in our journey. It ensures that the company remains on a steady course, aligned with our relentless focus on our customers, our communities, and our people."

Surdo joined Gateway Fiber in 2020 as CFO before becoming President in 2022. He and Sellenriek have worked closely together for four years, including the financial partnership formed with CBRE Investment Management in 2023.

"Chris has been an instrumental leader in our company's recent achievements and is well-equipped to lead us forward," Sellenriek said. "I have complete confidence in him and our leadership team to steer the company toward even greater success, and I am excited about what lies ahead for Gateway under his leadership."

Noi Spyratos, Managing Director, Private Infrastructure at CBRE Investment Management, Gateway Fiber's equity partner, added, "We'd like to thank Heath for his vision and dedication to the company since its founding. We are confident in Chris's leadership and look forward to supporting the growth of Gateway Fiber in this next chapter."

During Surdo's tenure, the company's footprint has grown within its home region of eastern Missouri and expanded into Minnesota and western Massachusetts.

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