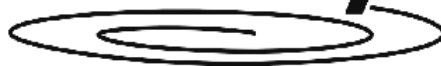


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Albemarle County Service Authority Announces Hire of Gary O'Connell as Executive Director

Charlottesville, VA – The Board of Directors of the Albemarle County Service Authority is pleased to announce that it has hired Gary O'Connell to serve as the ACSA's next Executive Director. Mr. O'Connell will succeed Gary Fern, whose last day with the Authority is February 26, 2010.

Mr. O'Connell, a 28-year resident of the Charlottesville-Albemarle area, currently serves as the City Manager for the City of Charlottesville, where he has oversight of the City's Utilities department, which includes both water and sewer. A graduate of Hampden-Sydney College, Mr. O'Connell holds a Masters Degree in Public Administration from the University of Tennessee. In addition to managing the daily operations of the ACSA, Mr. O'Connell will serve as the ACSA's designated representative to the Rivanna Water and Sewer Authority Board of Directors.

The ACSA received resumes and applications from candidates all across the country following public advertisement of the open position, and conducted in-person interviews with five extremely well-qualified candidates, from which it selected Mr. O'Connell as the best qualified to meet the needs of the ACSA and its employees.

The ACSA is the sole public retail provider of public water and sewer service in Albemarle County, serving areas designated by the Board of Supervisors. In addition to retailing finished water and sewer collection services, ACSA constructs pumping stations and line extensions; installs water supply and sewage collector systems; and inspects and maintains developer-contributed water delivery and sanitary sewage systems.

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