

WATER AUTHORITY ANNOUNCES NEW CEO

NEW HAVEN (November 21, 2008) - Larry Bingaman, an executive with 18 years of experience in the water industry, was named the new president and chief executive officer of the South Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority effective January 1, 2009.

Bingaman succeeds David Silverstone who has been President/CEO of the Authority since 2001. The Authority, which provides water to more than 116,000 customers in 15 towns in the greater New Haven region, conducted a national search to find the fifth president to lead the organization.

Bingaman gained his utility experience at the Aquarion Company, one of the 10 largest investor-owned companies in the United States with operations in Connecticut, Massachusetts and New Hampshire. Most recently Bingaman was senior vice president in charge of operations for the Massachusetts - New Hampshire division of Aquarion. Previously, he spent 14 years at Aquarion's headquarters in Bridgeport, CT where in addition to serving as senior vice president and corporate secretary, he oversaw communications, government, legislative, and legal affairs. Prior to joining Aquarion in 1990, Bingaman held leadership positions at Sikorsky Aircraft, United Technologies Corporation and Texaco. Active in water utility trade associations and community affairs, he is the immediate past president of the New England Chapter of the National Association of Water Companies and serves as the President of the Hull (MA), Chamber of Commerce.

In commenting on Bingaman's appointment, Claire Bennett, chair of the Authority's governing board, stated, Larry has spent a large part of his working career in the water industry. He has experience in delivering operating results, building teams and relating with both local and state officials. Larry has a great reputation among a wide group of people. We are fortunate to have attracted Larry to the Water Authority. He will continue our progress and meet the challenges and growth opportunities for the Authority.

Bingaman has a Bachelor's degree from California State University and an Executive MBA from the University of New Haven. He and his wife, Martie, will be relocating to Connecticut from Massachusetts.

During his tenure as CEO, Mr. Silverstone is credited with completion of a state of the art water treatment facility, generating new revenue from non-utility business services and the recent acquisition of the Birmingham Utility in Ansonia. The Company has grown from 105,000 customers to over 116,000 customers in the region. He has served on the board of numerous non-profits and will continue to serve as board chairman to both the Science Park Development Corporation and the Economic Development Corporation of New Haven.

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