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WATERWAYS COUNCIL, INC. NAMES NEW OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

WASHINGTON, DC – At its Annual Meeting held October 18 in Nashville, the Board of Directors of Waterways Council, Inc. (WCI) elected the following officers and Executive Committee members for 2006-2007: **Mark Knoy**, President, AEP MEMCO LLC, *Chairman*; **R. Barry Palmer**, WCI, *President and CEO*; **Dan Mecklenborg**, Senior Vice President, HR & Chief Legal Officer, Ingram Barge Company, *First Vice Chairman and General Counsel*; **Kevin Sparks**, Manager, Petrochemicals Marketing, Marathon Petroleum Co., LLC, *Secretary/Treasurer*; **Peter Lilly**, Chief Operating Officer, CONSOL Energy Inc., and **Rick Calhoun**, President, Cargo Carriers, *Vice-Chairmen*. **Peter Stephaich**, Chairman, Campbell Transportation Co; **H. Merritt Lane III**, President and Chief Executive Officer, Canal Barge Company; and **Berdon Lawrence**, Chairman, Kirby Corporation, and WCI Past Chairman, were named as additional *Executive Committee Members*.

The WCI membership has also elected new directors for three-year terms ending December 31, 2009: **Steve Little**, Crouse Corporation (Ohio Valley Region Category); **Looman Stingo**, Holcim (Mississippi Region Category) and **Lee Nelson**, Upper River Services (Mississippi Region Category), who will serve a two-year term expiring in 2008; **Scott Leininger**, Consolidated Grain and Barge (Southern Region Category); **Michael Toohey**, Ashland, Inc. (Shipper Category); **Mark Knoy**, Memco Barge Line/AEP (Carrier Category); **Cherrie Felder**, Channel Shipyard (Waterway Services Category), and **David Hanby**, McDonough Marine (Waterway Services Category), who will serve a two-year term expiring December 2008; **Paul Rohde**, MARC 2000 (Association/Government Category) and **Gary LaGrange**, Port of New Orleans, (Association/Government Category), who will serve a two-year term expiring December 2008; and **Carol Pfeiffer**, LG&E, and **Jim McConnell**, US Steel, who were elected to the At-Large Category.

“Waterways Council, Inc. is proud to announce its new slate of officers and directors,” said R. Barry Palmer, President/CEO of Waterways Council, Inc. “The commitment of these members, and all of our supporters, to help advance our message about the critical importance of America’s inland navigation system is a key reason behind our continued success,” he continued.

Waterways Council, Inc. is the national public policy organization advocating a modern and well-maintained national system of ports and inland waterways. The group is supported by waterways carriers, shippers, port authorities, shipping associations and waterways advocacy groups from all regions of the country.

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