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Robert Wilson Named as New Executive Director For ARWA and SCWWA

The Boards of the Appomattox River Water Authority (ARWA) and the South Central Wastewater Authority (SCWWA) appointed Robert B. Wilson, P.E. as the incoming Executive Director for the Authorities at their November 14, 2019 meetings. The Authorities current Executive Director, Dr. Robert Wichser, will be retiring on December 31, 2019.

Mr. Wilson comes to the Authorities from the Dinwiddie County Water Authority where he has served as Executive Director since 2003. From 1986 to 2003, Mr. Wilson served in a number of different positions with the Chesterfield County Utilities Department, including nine years as Engineering Supervisor. Robert earned his Bachelor of Science Degree in Civil Engineering from Virginia Tech, and he is a registered Professional Engineer. He has also served as a primary or alternate member of the ARWA and SCWWA Boards since 2003.

“The ARWA and SCWWA Boards are appreciative of Dr. Wichser’s dedicated service as Executive Director, and we were fortunate to have the opportunity to consider multiple qualified applicants for the Executive Director position,” said Colonial Heights City Manager and ARWA and SCWWA Board Chairman Douglas Smith. “Mr. Wilson brings extensive knowledge of utilities management to the position including executive director experience in his current position. We look forward to working with him as he manages the critically important water and wastewater services provided to our

region by ARWA and SCWWA.”

“Robert Wilson has a comprehensive understanding of what it takes to operate and manage critical water and wastewater assets,” said Dinwiddie County Administrator and ARWA Board Vice-Chairman W. Kevin Massengill. “During his tenure with the Dinwiddie County Water Authority, Mr. Wilson directed the organization through numerous critical infrastructure projects; he has implemented state-of-the-art technological advancements, and streamlined operations. I am confident he will continue to be a regional leader as the next Executive Director of the Authorities”

Robert Wilson will begin his tenure as Executive Director of the Authorities on January 1, 2020.

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About ARWA

The Appomattox River Water Authority (ARWA) provides safe, clean water to customers in Chesterfield, Dinwiddie and Prince George Counties, and the Cities of Colonial Heights and Petersburg, from facilities located next to the Brasfield Dam, at Chesdin Reservoir, in south-central Virginia. For more information about ARWA, please visit <http://arwava.org/>

About South Central

The South Central Wastewater Authority provides wastewater services to the Counties of Chesterfield, Dinwiddie and Prince George, along with the Cities of Petersburg and Colonial Heights. The facility is located on Pocahontas Island in the City of Petersburg and is currently permitted and designed for a flow of twenty-three million gallons per day. For further information on the Authority please visit <http://scwwa.org>