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MPR ASSOCIATES LEADERSHIP TRANSITION

Alexandria, Virginia (January 2009) —MPR is pleased to announce that Robert Coward has been promoted to the position of Principal Officer, effective January 1, 2009. Mr. Coward began his career at MPR in 1983. With 25 years of engineering experience, primarily in the nuclear industry, he has worked on over 100 nuclear plants worldwide. Mr. Coward has served on numerous “blue ribbon panels” in support of clients and industry groups. Previously, Mr. Coward was head of MPR’s Nuclear Services group. He has a BS degree in Mechanical Engineering with honors from Duke University, is a registered Professional Engineer, and a member of the American Nuclear Society.

Alex Zarechnak, Principal Officer at MPR, stated that “MPR continues to maintain strong personal leadership in commercial nuclear power. Bob Coward’s ascendancy to be one of MPR’s Principal Officers reflects the respect and authority that he has garnered throughout the nuclear industry, and will increase his influence on all aspects of MPR’s business.”

Doug Chapin is stepping down as a Principal Officer of MPR, after 23 years in this position. He joined MPR in 1968 after serving in the Navy and beginning his career at Naval Reactors. He has extensive experience in electrical, chemical, and nuclear engineering, with particular application to nuclear and conventional power plant systems and associated components. Although stepping down from company management, he will continue to provide technical leadership and expertise for MPR projects and clients. Dr. Chapin is a member of the National Academy of Engineering and serves as chairman of the National Research Council’s Board on Energy and Environmental Systems.

“I cannot overstate the extent and impact of Doug Chapin’s leadership at MPR. It’s a rare person who can bring such a combination of technical depth, business insight and effectiveness. Having been an MPR employee for over 40 years and an officer for over 23 years, he has influenced many. We are fortunate that he will continue to be available to MPR” stated Paul Damerell, Principal Officer of MPR.

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George Geaney has been promoted to head MPR's Nuclear Services group. He has over 30 years of experience in nuclear power, and began working for MPR in 2003. Prior to joining MPR, Mr. Geaney was Vice President and General Manager at Proto Power, where he worked for 24 years. He holds BS and MS degrees in Mechanical Engineering with honors from University of Connecticut, and an MBA from the University of New Haven. He is a registered professional engineer, and a member of the American Nuclear Society.

"George Geaney's appointment as leader of our Nuclear Services Group affirms MPR's recognition of his extraordinary technical ability, leadership, and broad trust that he has earned in our nuclear business," quoted Alex Zarechnak.

About MPR

MPR is an employee-owned engineering services firm that was founded in 1964. The company is headquartered in Alexandria, Virginia, with offices in Houston, Texas; Clifton Park, New York., just outside of Albany; East Lyme, Connecticut; and Los Angeles, California. MPR maintains a staff of 170 and actively recruits promising engineers and scientists from major U.S. colleges and universities.

MPR specializes in serving the nuclear power, energy, federal government and product development market segments, including medical device manufacturing and life sciences. The company supports clients in 46 countries and six continents. The company is responsible for more than 35 patents and more than 70 "first-of-a-kind" proprietary solutions.

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