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Lee Kanon Alpert Re-Elected President of the Board of Water and Power Commissioners

Thomas S. Sayles Re-Elected Vice President

LOS ANGELES — Lee Kanon Alpert, an award-winning San Fernando Valley advocate, attorney, arbitrator and mediator has been unanimously elected for a second term as president of the City of Los Angeles Board of Water and Power Commissioners (Board). He is the founding member of Alpert, Barr & Grant, a professional law corporation, located in Encino, California.

As president, Mr. Alpert will continue to play a key role in overseeing policy issues such as power reliability, water supply, security, the movement to renewable energy and water and power conservation initiatives. The Board also unanimously elected Commissioner Thomas Sayles as its Vice President.

"I am honored to have been re-elected to this position by my fellow board members. We are at a critical time in the history of our great and growing City and at DWP. Our goal is to continue to provide the water and energy needs of our customers at fair and reasonable prices in the safest and most secure manner," said Alpert.

Mr. Alpert, who was appointed to the Board of Water and Power Commissioners by Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa in December 2007, serves as general counsel for a number of businesses. He received his Bachelors of Science in Education from the University of Southern California. He graduated Loyola University School of Law, with a Juris Doctor degree., and at Harvard University, completed his certification at the Graduate School of Business Executive Program Certification in Not for Profit Leadership and Management.

Thomas S. Sayles joined the Board on June 16, 2009 upon confirmation by the Los Angeles City Council which followed his appointment by the Mayor.

Mr. Sayles brings an experienced and varied background to the Board. Currently, Mr. Sayles serves as Vice President for Government and Community Relations for the University of Southern California (USC.)

Prior to joining USC, Mr. Sayles served as the Senior Vice President for Government and Corporate Affairs for Renetech Inc., an alternatives fuels company headquartered in Los Angeles.

Mr. Sayles has direct experience in the energy sector, as he worked for Sempra Energy and its predecessor companies from 1994 to 2007. Mr. Sayles has also served as California Commissioner of Corporations and California Secretary of Business, Transportation and Housing. He was also a Deputy Attorney General in the California Attorney General's Office and an Assistant U.S. Attorney..

Mr. Sayles was born and raised in Los Angeles. He attended Stanford University and holds a law degree from Harvard Law School.

The Board of Water and Power Commissioners is the governing body of the LADWP, the nation's largest municipal utility serving 1.4 million electric customers and 680,000 water customers. Each Board commissioner is appointed to five-year terms and serves on a voluntary basis.

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