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## WQA PRESS RELEASE

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### **New association board elected at WQA Aquatech USA Election takes place at convention in San Antonio, Texas**

**San Antonio, Texas USA** — The Water Quality Association elected new members to its board of directors this month.

The election took place at WQA Aquatech USA 2011 in San Antonio, Texas, on March 9. The following individuals join the WQA board:

#### MANUFACTURER/SUPPLIERS

Frank A. Brigano, PhD, West Haven, CT

Vice President of Technology for KX Technologies LLC. He currently serves on the WQA Board of Directors. He is also serving on the Water Sciences Committee and Calcium and Magnesium, Salinity, and Int'l. Stds & Regs Task Forces. He is Vice Chair and a voting member of the NSF International Drinking Water Treatment Unit Joint Committee. In 2003 he received the WQA Award of Merit.

Martin H. Jessen, Fountain Hills, AZ

Vice President, Pionetics Corporation and Rayne Water. He currently is chair of the Government Relations Committee and a member of the Ultra Low Brine Discharge Task Force. He is also Vice President of PWQA and on the Board of Arizona WQA.

Stephen Ver Strat, Ada, MI

Senior Research Scientist and a member of the Technical Regulatory Affairs Department at Access Business Group International, LLC. He is currently serving on the WQA Board of Directors. He is also serving on the Government Relations Committee, and Green Seal, and International Standards & Regs Task Forces.

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DEALERS

Ronald G. Edwards, CWS-I , Annapolis, MD

A retired Air Force Lt. Col., he is currently CEO and founder of Hague Quality Water of Maryland, Inc., an 18 year old family business. He is also president of the Chesapeake Cooler Company, LLC, and RG Edwards, LLC., a real estate holding company. Ron was recently selected as a 2011 BBB International finalist. He has served on the Advisory Council of both Hague International and PHSI, as well as the EWQA Board.

Donald K. McGhee, CWS-VI, Harlingen, TX

A principal in Hydro Systems Inc., a 32-year-old Industrial/Commercial Water Treatment Equipment and Service provider based in Harlingen, Texas. Additionally, he is a partner in Turbidex™/Hydro Source LLC., a zeolite filtration media supplier. McGhee currently serves on the boards of the Texas Water Quality Association, Regional Water Planning Group (Region M) of the Texas Water Development Board, and chairs the Market Development Committee of the Water Quality Association.

Dar Watts, CWS-V, Saline, MI

Principal of American Aqua Incorporated and Sullivan Corporation. He currently serves as Treasurer of WQA. He is a member of the WQA Market Development and Nominating Committees. He has been actively involved with the WQA for over 20 years on many committees and task forces. He is also managing director with SEAS Capital Partners which provides performance consulting and equity investment to business in the water improvement sector.

RETAIL CHANNEL

Robert Maisner, Peoria, AZ

He is VP of Sales & Support for Watts Water Quality, a division of Watts Water Technologies. He has been a member of WQA for 16 years and has been serving as co-chair for WQA Retail Section for the past several years. He has participated in several task force and committees over the years and has over 28 years experience in the water treatment industry.