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Mount Werner Water District Welcomes New Board Member

STEAMBOAT SPRINGS, Colo. (July 31, 2006) – The Mount Werner Water & Sanitation District announced today it has appointed Jim Randall to its board of directors.

Randall, 69, has lived in Steamboat Springs since his retirement from ExxonMobil in 2000, and his long history of community involvement includes the Steamboat Springs Ridge Road Community Association where he is vice president; and Strings in the Mountains, where he serves as an usher. In Bartlesville, Okla., he served as an Explorer Scout leader, a Sunday school teacher, a church deacon, a member of the physical activity board for the YMCA, and a Little League coach. He organized the “Run for your Life” program at the YMCA and the city’s first “Cross-Town 10K Run.”

Randall became interested in the Mount Werner Water District when he began investigating the issue of water pressure required to fight fires in the District; he hopes his involvement with the board will allow him to assist the District in further developing and implementing protective measures to improve fire flow availability.

“I appreciate the board’s encouragement of my participation, and I look forward to helping the board ensure the community’s safety while providing clean water for all the community’s needs,” he said.

Randall worked for ExxonMobil’s Baytown Polymers Center for eight of his 15-year career with the company. He also worked for Phillips Petroleum Company and Monsanto. He has three degrees in chemistry, including a Ph.D. from Duke University. He holds 16 patents and he has written two books. In 2001, he received the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Society of Plastics Engineers. He is an expert in nuclear magnetic resonance, a fore-runner to the present day MRI (magnetic resonance imaging).

“We are delighted to have Jim join us, and I believe the District will benefit greatly from his experience,” said Jon Halverson, president of the Mount Werner Water District board. “As we add strong members to our board and as other members grow into their positions, I believe we are on the path to creating an increasingly effective governing body.”

About Mount Werner Water & Sanitation District

The Mount Werner Water & Sanitation District treats and distributes water for the mountain resort area of Steamboat Springs and, under agreement with the City of Steamboat Springs, provides water to the City Water District for distribution to its customers. Under agreement with the City, the District also provides the infrastructure for the collection of wastewater from the resort area which is routed to the City’s interceptor line that leads to the City’s wastewater treatment plant west of Steamboat Springs. The Mount Werner Water District, formed in 1965, is a Special District pursuant to State Statute and is a political subdivision of the State of Colorado. An elected five-member board of directors governs the District.