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Adolfson Associates, Inc. Joins San Francisco-based ESA

Seattle, Washington, August 31, 2006: Adolfson Associates, Inc., a multi-disciplinary environmental consulting firm specializing in planning, biological sciences, and water resources, has merged with Environmental Science Associates (ESA), a leading California environmental consulting firm. The joining of ESA and Adolfson results in an expanded depth of capabilities, increased regional presence, and an enhanced opportunity for service throughout the west coast.

Molly Adolfson, President and founder of Adolfson Associates stated, "By joining ESA, Adolfson will be able to continue its tradition of providing creative solutions to environmental, regulatory, and permitting challenges, while expanding our service capabilities and geographic reach. ESA's commitment to quality environmental planning, analysis, and compliance fits well with Adolfson's reputation for credible and objective consulting. We are very excited about our future with ESA."

Founded nearly 20 years ago, Adolfson Associates has grown from a two-person office to a staff of more than 50 planners, water specialists, biologists, and scientists with offices in Seattle, Washington and Portland, Oregon. In recent years the firm has been awarded several high profile contracts, including those for King County, the U.S. Navy, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, and the Washington State Department of Ecology.

The valuable addition of ESA's expertise in air, noise, and airport planning will be a natural compliment to Adolfson's existing profile of services. "Over the past several years, ESA and Adolfson have enjoyed a successful working relationship in the Pacific Northwest. This was a logical step in formalizing that relationship and expanding both firms' capabilities and service offerings throughout the west coast," said Gary Oates, President of ESA. Specializing in land use and resource planning, environmental technical studies and investigations, environmental impact assessment and documentation, and environmental compliance, ESA has offices in San Francisco, Oakland, Petaluma, Los Angeles and Sacramento, California; Seattle, Washington; Portland, Oregon; and Tampa and Orlando, Florida.

Molly Adolfson will become a Vice President at ESA and lead strategic business development for ESA's water practice. Adolfson brings more than 28 years of environmental experience to her new role, and will enhance the combined firm's water and wastewater services. Lloyd Skinner, AICP, has been serving as Senior Vice President at Adolfson Associates, and will become Vice President and Regional Director for the Northwest region and its offices in Seattle and Portland. ESA's existing Seattle office will consolidate with Adolfson Associates, merging local resources. The northwest offices will be known at "ESA Adolfson."