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Mike Sharar joins ESA Adolfson

Olympia, Washington, October 1, 2007: ESA Adolfson announced that Mike Sharar has joined the firm as Director of its Olympia office. Mr. Sharar will direct and manage Pacific Northwest water projects for the firm from ESA Adolfson's newly opened Olympia office.

"We've worked with Mike in several capacities over the years- as a client and as a teaming partner," says Molly Adolfson, ESA Vice President and Northwest Water Practice Leader, "His substantial experience brokering policy agreements, ongoing facilitation and consensus-building among multiple jurisdictions throughout the state will be a tremendous asset to our clients."

"Resource management is a rising market for us. Mike was LOTT's executive director and oversaw their landmark Wastewater Resource Management Plan," remarked Lloyd Skinner, ESA Adolfson vice president and Northwest Regional Director, "This type of expertise adds to our overall capabilities in this area."

Mike Sharar has over 30 years of Washington state water infrastructure experience. Under Mike's leadership, LOTT was among the first sewer utilities in the nation to support water conservation as a capacity management tool, and the first large utility in Washington to make a long-term commitment to the generation of reclaimed water. The LOTT plan included one of the most extensive public participation efforts ever conducted in Thurston County. Before LOTT, Mike worked at the Municipality of Metropolitan Seattle and Seattle City Light as a management team member with public involvement, administrative, conservation and environmental planning responsibilities.

ESA Adolfson is a West Coast-based environmental consulting firm specializing in land use and resource planning, environmental technical studies and investigations, environmental impact assessment and documentation, and environmental compliance. The firm has offices in Olympia and Seattle, Washington; Portland, Oregon; San Francisco, Oakland, Petaluma, Los Angeles, Sacramento, Woodland Hills, and San Diego, California; and Tampa, Florida.