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**BJWSA Names New Deputy General Manager for Operations and Engineering**

**Okatie, SC – (October 31, 2024)** – Beaufort-Jasper Water & Sewer Authority (BJWSA) has named Paul Vincent, P.E., as deputy general manager of operations and engineering. Vincent previously served as chief of engineering for BJWSA, and joins Deputy General Manager Sarah Linkimer, CPA, who will lead finance and administrative responsibilities for the Authority.

Vincent brings to the Authority more than 25 years of civil engineering experience in the areas of drinking water and wastewater engineering. Throughout his career, he has served in many roles with progressive responsibility in engineering and leadership, with senior level responsibilities since 2007 for consulting engineering firms. He worked on many significant projects in several states from the east coast to the Rocky Mountains, while calling Indiana home. He has been active in many professional and philanthropic organizations. Recently, he also served as a City Council Member (At-Large) for the City of La Porte Indiana.

"BJWSA is pleased to announce the promotion of Paul Vincent to deputy general manager, recognizing his outstanding contributions and extensive expertise within our organization. With his years of experience in engineering and leadership roles, he has consistently demonstrated a commitment to excellence, innovation and the kind of visionary leadership that aligns with our mission. Paul's deep technical knowledge and strategic thinking have driven significant advancements and improvements across our operations, and we are excited to see his continued impact in this expanded role as we move forward," said BJWSA General Manager Verna Arnette, P.E.

Vincent originally joined BJWSA as chief of engineering in July of 2023 and was recognized by the Authority's Board of Directors with the 2024 Board Leadership Award earlier this month.

"I am honored and excited to step into the role of deputy general manager of operations and engineering and continue contributing to the Authority's success. This new position gives me the opportunity to further our commitment to providing exceptional water and wastewater service to our customers while fostering a work environment that empowers and enriches our talented team. I look forward to building on our strong foundation, driving innovation and supporting our staff as we work together to achieve results for our community," Vincent said.

As deputy general manager for operations and engineering, Vincent's responsibilities include overseeing the operations of the Authority's water supply and treatment plants; overseeing the maintenance and repair of all BJWSA facilities and equipment; and developing and implementing the Authority's short- and long-range capital improvements program to ensure the necessary facilities, water and wastewater, are in place to support the current and projected needs of the rapidly-growing service area. He is a graduate of Purdue University and a die-hard fan of the Chicago Bears. He and his wife Karla reside in the Town of Hilton Head Island with their three children.

**About Beaufort-Jasper Water & Sewer Authority**

BJWSA is the Southern Lowcountry's largest water and wastewater utility, serving approximately 200,000 Carolinians through 69,000 connections. The public, non-profit organization is led by a board of directors recommended by the Beaufort and Jasper County Legislative Delegations and appointed by the Governor of South Carolina. The mission of the utility is to deliver quality water and wastewater services to current and future residents of the utility's 750 square mile service area.

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