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Cobb County-Marietta Water Authority to Invest \$80 Million in Water Plant Upgrades

*-Cobb, Paulding and other Metro Atlanta Residents to Greatly Benefit
from Largest Single Infrastructure Project in CCMWA History-*

ATLANTA – (July 21, 2010) – Cobb County-Marietta Water Authority (CCMWA) today announced board approval for the \$80 million Wyckoff Treatment Plant Regulatory and Operational (R & O) Improvements Project to ensure future water supply for the region. The Wyckoff project is the largest single infrastructure project in the history of CCMWA.

“While it’s not something most people think about every day – a reliable, safe supply of water is one of the most precious resources a community can provide its citizens,” says Glenn Page, general manager of CCMWA. “These large improvements to the Wyckoff Treatment Plant will ensure that CCMWA continues to provide quality drinking water to our service area.”

According to Page, the project will improve water treatment capabilities and provide a new treatment process necessary to meet the requirements of the Environmental Protection Agency’s Disinfectant/Disinfection By-Products Rule, which goes into effect in 2012. Upgrades will align with recommendations made by the Georgia Environmental Protection Division. The project will rehabilitate large portions of the Hugh A. Wyckoff Water Treatment Plant, a 72 million gallon per day facility which was built in the early 1960s and upgraded in the 1970s and 1980s.

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“There will be no expansion of permitted capacity in this upgrade,” says Page. “The focus of the project will be meeting new regulatory requirements and improving reliability through rehabilitation, renewal and greater redundancy of plant processes.”

Funding for this project will come entirely from revenues and cash reserves held by the CCMWA. The project contract was awarded to Archer Western Contractors, Ltd., of Atlanta. Six qualified contractors from across the nation submitted bids.

About the Cobb County-Marietta Water Authority

The Cobb County-Marietta Water Authority is the second largest provider of drinking water in Georgia. CCMWA provides treated drinking water on a wholesale basis to Cobb County, Paulding County, Douglasville-Douglas County Water and Sewer Authority, Cherokee County Water and Sewerage Authority, City of Marietta, City of Smyrna, City of Austell, City of Powder Springs, City of Mountain Park, City of Woodstock and Lockheed Martin Corporation. For more information, visit www.ccmwa.org.

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