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Lafayette water manager Don Broussard named vice president of AWWA

(Denver) — The American Water Works Association (AWWA), the largest and oldest association of water professionals in the world, has named Lafayette Utilities System (LUS) Water Operations Manager Don Broussard as a new vice president.

A registered professional engineer, Broussard is widely respected in the water community for his national leadership on water security and emergency preparedness issues. He will serve as an AWWA vice president for a one-year term concluding in June 2011.

Broussard joined AWWA in 1993 and has served on the association's Water Utility Council since 2006. He chairs the Water Sector Coordinating Council, which works with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the Department of Homeland Security on water security preparedness and emergency response.

Broussard recently was presented with the George Warren Fuller Award for distinguished service from AWWA's Southwest Section. He has also earned the Southwest Section's Glen T. Kellogg Leadership Award and the George H. West Memorial Award from the Louisiana Conference on Water Supply, Sewerage, and Industrial Wastes.

After Hurricane Katrina hit Louisiana but spared LUS, Broussard became a liaison for the state health department and U.S. EPA, matching the needs of impacted water utilities with offers of help. The experience led him to co-found the Louisiana WARN (Water/Wastewater Agency Response Network) in conjunction with the Louisiana Rural Water Association. He has since traveled the country training others on AWWA's WARN initiative. His water security experience extends to the federal level as well, where he serves on U.S. EPA's Water Security Initiative Executive Committee and the DHS's Editorial Review Committee.

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