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## NEW GROUNDWATER FOUNDATION PRESIDENT JANE GRIFFIN HAS VISION OF GROWTH FOR GROUNDWATER FOUNDATION

The Groundwater Foundation is pleased to announce the hiring of Jane Griffin as president of the organization. Griffin will replace retiring founder and president, Susan Seacrest and assume her duties beginning February 11, 2008. Groundwater Foundation Board of Directors' Chair, Don Kraus stated, "Jane Griffin possesses the qualities needed to increase The Groundwater Foundation's role in groundwater education and protection. Jane has a strong commitment to groundwater protection and to educating the public about the resource. The Board of Directors looks forward to working with Jane as she develops new opportunities for the organization."

Griffin brings extensive business management and nonprofit operation experience to The Groundwater Foundation. On accepting the position, Griffin stated "It is with great pleasure and excitement that I have accepted the position as President of The Groundwater Foundation. I am truly looking forward to this new chapter in my life." Griffin's initial vision for the Foundation includes heightening public awareness about the importance of groundwater protection and the national and international profile of the organization. According to Griffin, "The increased level of public awareness of environmental issues brings challenges and opportunities: increased competition is a challenge but public reception towards the need of water protection and conservation is much higher, thus an opportune time to take the Foundation to a new level."

The Groundwater Foundation Board of Directors is hosting a reception to welcome Griffin as the new President on Monday, February 25, 2008 at The Groundwater Foundation offices, 5561 South 48<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 215 in Lincoln from 5:00 to 6:30 p.m.

The Groundwater Foundation is a nonprofit organization located in Lincoln, Nebraska whose mission is to educate the public about the nature and value of groundwater. Over the first 24 years of its existence, the Foundation has provided a wide variety of adult and youth programs. Flagship programs such as the Children's Groundwater Festival, Groundwater University, and Groundwater Guardian have educated thousands of people about the importance of groundwater. To learn more about The Groundwater Foundation, visit its website at [www.groundwater.org](http://www.groundwater.org) or call 402-434-2740.