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KS Gleitlager USA, Inc. Chosen for 2006 Pollution Prevention Award

Greenville, S.C. (October 31, 2007) - Western Carolina Regional Sewer Authority (WCRSA) recognizes KS Gleitlager USA, Inc. for demonstrating excellent pollution prevention efforts throughout 2006. Specializing in engine components production, the company was chosen by WCRSA's selection committee for implementing a cost-effective examination procedure to evaluate, target and reduce metals in the wastewater discharge and for reducing lead discharge to the POTW by 98.6%. The company also succeeded in reducing water consumption by 34.5% and chemical usage by 9.5%, while increasing plating throughput by 25%. WCRSA applauds this good neighbor for its outstanding efforts in helping to achieve a cleaner environment in the Upstate.

WCRSA created this award in hopes to encourage the abatement of pollution through prevention. The Best Pollution Prevention Program Award is presented to a local industry that has pursued innovative ways of preventing pollution through waste minimization, water conservation, recycling, product reformation, and toxic materials substitution, among others.

This award was presented to Michael A. Bayman and Carl Cartwright of KS Gleitlager USA, Inc. at the Greenville Chamber of Commerce's Environmental Issues Meeting at the Ogletree Building in Greenville. The Greenville Chamber of Commerce and the SC DHEC Bureau of Water presented this program, which included discussions on proposed surface water legislation and its potential impact on the NPDES permitting system. The program also addressed upcoming issues related to water supply being impacted by activities in Georgia and North Carolina and how these activities may impact the NPDES permitting program in South Carolina.

About WCRSA

Western Carolina Regional Sewer Authority celebrates 75 years of environmental stewardship. The organization provides wastewater treatment services to over 400,000 industrial, commercial and residential customers in Greenville County and parts of Anderson, Spartanburg and Laurens Counties. Western Carolina operates and maintains 300 miles of major sewer trunk lines and 10 major wastewater treatment facilities.

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Photo Caption: William Armes (right), operations manager of WCRSA, presents award to Mike Bayman (center) and Carl Cartwright (left) of KS Gleitlager USA, Inc.

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