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## **Peter Binney, PE Joins Merrick & Company**

***Merrick continues to grow its water and sustainable infrastructure business***

Aurora, CO – Dec. 6, 2010 – Peter Binney, PE, has joined Merrick & Company as the firm’s National Director of Sustainable Infrastructure, it was announced by Ralph W. Christie, Jr., PE, Chair, President, and CEO. In this new role, Binney will be responsible for expanding Merrick’s water infrastructure business across the U.S. and leading Merrick’s sustainable infrastructure practice through the firm’s 12 offices. As a nationally and internationally recognized expert in the water industry and sustainability, he has been instrumental in the soon-to-be completed national sustainable infrastructure certification and rating system being developed by the American Consulting Engineers Council, the American Society of Civil Engineers, and the American Public Works Association.

“Having Peter on board at Merrick is exciting. Over the past several years, our water and sustainability practices have grown and Peter’s expertise will propel the firm forward as a national expert in the field,” said Christie. “I have known Peter over the years as a real professional who is dedicated to providing the best infrastructure solutions to serve clients and society. I am pleased to have him joining our employee-owned company.”

His expertise includes water management and development, sustainable infrastructure rating and performance, mediation and resolution of issues on complex public infrastructure projects, and a comprehensive understanding of public water utilities. His contribution to the community and to the water industry was recently recognized by the City of Aurora, when the city named its new \$660 million water treatment plant for him. The Peter D. Binney Water Purification Plant was opened in October, 2010 after a five-year concept to commission schedule. Binney was the director of the City of Aurora, Colorado’s water utility during the planning, design, and construction phase of this trend setting a sustainable project.

Binney’s entire career has been focused on water and sustainable infrastructure. His past leadership positions include Director of Sustainable Planning for Black & Veatch and National Director, Water Resources for CH2MHill, where he spent 20 years in water resources. Binney is an active member of the American Water Works Association, the International Water Association, and the American Society of Civil Engineers. He holds a Masters of Science, Water Resources Engineering from the University of Colorado, Boulder. He also has a Masters of Engineering and a Bachelor of Engineering from the University of Canterbury, Christchurch, New Zealand.

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