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WATER RESOURCES POLICY EXPERT JOINS ACCOMPLISHED TFG TEAM

WASHINGTON—(July 24, 2007)—The Ferguson Group, LLC, announced that nationally recognized water and natural resource expert Mark A. Limbaugh joined the firm as a Principal. Limbaugh's extensive experience in these policy areas will benefit citizens that see the increasing importance of such resources to the economic vitality and health of their communities.

"I am thrilled to be joining The Ferguson Group and look forward to working with a team of professionals of unmatched quality and experience," said Limbaugh, a former U.S. Department of Interior Assistant Secretary for Water and Science. "I've known the firm for years and have always respected its high standards and the level of services it provides its clients."

The Ferguson Group provides federal representation services to more local governments, water districts, irrigation districts, mutual water companies and water agencies than any other firm in Washington. The firm represents more than 150 clients in 27 states.

"Mark has solid credentials in water, irrigation, and natural resource management, with more than 22 years of firsthand experience in these issues as an Idaho family farmer and a State Watermaster," said William Ferguson, CEO of The Ferguson Group. "These invaluable experiences on the ground, combined with his policy knowledge, will enable Mark to provide unique strategic guidance to a broad range of our clients."

Limbaugh has also served as Deputy Commissioner for the Bureau of Reclamation. Other key positions Limbaugh has held include President of the Family Farm Alliance, Watermaster of Idaho's Payette River Basin, and Executive Director of the Payette River Water Users Association. Limbaugh has been actively involved in various state and federal water organizations throughout his career. A native of southwestern Idaho and for many years an Idaho family farmer, Limbaugh earned his B.S. *cum laude* in 1978 from the University of Idaho and has worked as a Certified Public Accountant.

Limbaugh and his wife, Cindy, have four children and five grandchildren.

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