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Dear Sir/Madam

In reference to **File Number 082-02819**, I enclose a copy of a Stock Exchange Announcement released yesterday.

Yours faithfully,

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Severn Trent Plc today announced that Alan Perelman will be retiring from the role of Group Finance Director, effective 31 August 2004, and retiring from the company on 30th September, 2004. He will be replaced as Group Finance Director by Mark Wilson, currently Director of Finance and Regulation, Severn Trent Water, from 1st September, 2004.

The Group also announced that David Arculus would be standing down from the Board after more than six years as Chairman at the end of December 2004.

Mr Arculus said: *"I would like to thank Alan for his dedicated service to Severn Trent and wish him well in his retirement"*.

"We are fortunate to have Mark Wilson as his replacement. His experience in Severn Trent Water, and the regulatory review process in particular, will be invaluable going forward".

"As for my own position, I believe it will be the right time for me to stand down at the end of the year. Before then the Board will have appointed my successor, and a successor to Robert Walker who retires as Group Chief Executive in February 2005, and the water regulatory review process should have been substantially completed".

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Footnote:

Mark Wilson, aged 46, joined Severn Trent Water as Director of Finance and Regulation in 1995. Previously he had worked for Arthur Andersen both in London and Hong Kong and International Leisure Group. Born in Ilford, Essex, he graduated from University College, Bangor. He became a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in 1983.

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