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Dear Sir/Madam

APPOINTMENTS TO THE BOARD FOR BRITISH WATERWAYS

The Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs is seeking to appoint a new nonexecutive Director for the Board of British Waterways.

Public appointments of this kind are always made through open competition and this post is currently being advertised on the Defra and the Public Appointments Unit websites. <u>www.defra.gov.uk/corporate/appointments/index.htm</u>. It appeared in the Sunday Times on 11 January 2009. However, as we are always keen to encourage a wide range of candidates to apply, I attach a copy of the advert and would appreciate it if you would circulate this amongst colleagues who may be interested in applying. Please note the need to fulfil the essential criteria before considering making an application.

All candidates will be assessed against the criteria for the roles and will need to take part in a full and open competition. The Commissioner for Public Appointments regulates and monitors Ministerial appointments to public bodies to ensure that they are made on merit after fair and open competition. More information about the role of the Commissioner and the code of practice is available from <u>www.ocpa.gov.uk</u>.

Further information on British Waterways can be found at: www.britishwaterways.co.uk

The closing date for all applications is <u>12 noon, Monday 2 February 2009</u>. For an application pack please contact Public Appointments at Defra by e-mail at <u>publicappts@defra.gsi.gov.uk</u> or telephoning Linda Bailey on 020 7270 6166 or by post: Linda Bailey, Defra, Chair & Board Appointment Team, Area 3A, 3-8 Whitehall Place, London SW1A 2HH.

Yours faithfully

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