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Longenecker & Associates Establishes Mentor-Protégé Agreement with Protégé Paschal Solutions Inc.

LAS VEGAS --- Longenecker & Associates (L&A) has established a new mentor-protégé agreement through the U.S. Small Business Administration's Mentor-Protégé Program with Paschal Solutions, Inc. (PSI), a Knoxville, Tenn.-based small business.

Through this agreement, L&A and PSI have formed a new joint venture --- Mission Assurance Alliance, LLC (MAA) --- that combines the companies' strengths in areas such as contractor/quality assurance, engineering support and nuclear safety to help clients identify and resolve challenges to mission success.

"We're excited to launch our second mentor-protégé agreement with PSI," L&A CEO John Longenecker said. "We look forward to combining our focus and expertise in project delivery and mission assurance with PSI's skills in nuclear criticality safety, engineering and management services. Not only do we think this will help further our collective ability to aid our clients but help PSI's continued growth and success as well."

Under the mentor-protégé agreement, L&A will provide PSI with expertise and counsel in a variety of areas, such as corporate strategy, business development and talent management. PSI is a leading small business provider of nuclear safety, regulatory, engineering and management services for federal and commercial clients.

"We are looking forward to this opportunity to learn from L&A's experience." PSI President Lane Paschal said. "L&A has an excellent industry reputation and offers everything we would want in a mentor. Combining capabilities and expertise allows a broader base of support for our customers and opens new business opportunities and employee growth. We are looking forward to an exciting future."

Founded in 1989, L&A is a premier woman-owned small business that supports the U.S. Department of Energy and the National Nuclear Security Administration. L&A leverages its experience throughout the nuclear security and cleanup enterprise to improve mission performance, deliver capital asset projects to schedule and budget, implement effective governance approaches and develop targeted business strategies for both large and small businesses.

Established in 2000 as a Small Business, PSI continues to succeed as a premier provider of nuclear safety, regulatory engineering, and management services in support of private industry and the U.S. Government. PSI's employees are the company's most valuable asset. We recruit and hire those employees considered amongst the best in their peer group and who have a sincere desire to help our clients succeed. Through hard work and the teamwork mentality of our staff, PSI's clients have recognized that our solutions represent the best that can be obtained. PSI's reputation for getting the job done effectively, efficiently, and safely for our clients sets us apart from other suppliers.

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