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Oak Ridge Chamber Elects New Board Members

January 29, 2008– Nine area business leaders have accepted positions on the Oak Ridge Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors. Accepting these positions are Mike Belbeck, Methodist Medical Center of Oak Ridge; David Bradshaw, SunTrust Bank; Brenda Curtis, Wackenhut Oak Ridge Team; Chuck Hope, Chuck’s Car Care; Henry Perry, HME, Inc.; Billy Stair, UT Battelle/ORNL; Robert Brown, Department of Energy; Wayne Hope, Enrichment Federal Credit Union; and Tom Ballard, UT-Battelle.

Mike Belbeck is the President and Chief Administrative Officer of Methodist Medical Center of Oak Ridge. Belbeck previously served as the senior vice president and chief operating officer at Holy Spirit Health System in Camp Hill, Pennsylvania. Prior to that, he served as the vice president of Baptist Health South Florida in Miami. Belbeck received his Bachelor of Science from the University of Florida where he also went on to earn his Master of Business Administration and Master of Health Science. He is a fellow of the American College of Healthcare Executives and won the Regent’s Award-Early Career Health Care Executive.

David Bradshaw is the City President for Anderson and Roane counties at SunTrust Bank. He previously served as the Vice President and Chief Operating Officer for Southeast Community Capital Corporation and a Program Manager at the Y-12 National Security Complex. He is a former member of the Oak Ridge City Council having served the citizens of Oak Ridge in that

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capacity from June 1995 until June 2007. During his tenure on City Council, Bradshaw served as both mayor Pro Tem (1995-2001) and Mayor (2001-2007). He has a Master of Business Administration and a Bachelor of Science in Industrial Engineering both from the University of Tennessee.

Brenda Curtis is the Director of Human Resources at Wackenhut Services, Incorporated – Oak Ridge Team. In this capacity she is responsible for the administration and oversight of Human Resources programs. Prior to joining the Oak Ridge Team in 2003, Curtis worked for Wackenhut Services at the Savannah River Site in South Carolina. Curtis received a Bachelors of Business Administration from East Tennessee State University in 1986 with a major in Accounting. She is a mediator and a member of the Society for human Resources Management, the Tennessee Valley Human Resources Association and the Oak Ridge Human Resources Association. She is also active in a number of community organizations.

Chuck Hope has been the owner/operator of Chuck's Car Care Center, a full-service automotive repair center in Oak Ridge, since 1982. Hope is a 1980 graduate of Oak Ridge High School. He is a graduate of Leadership Oak Ridge and the Management Success Program, where he serves as an instructor. Hope serves on the Oak Ridge Beer Permit Board and serves as the Chairman of the Board of Directors for the Oak Ridge Convention and Visitors Bureau.

Henry Perry has owned and operated HME, Inc., along with his wife Monica, since 1986. Perry received a Bachelor of Science degree in Industrial Technology/Building Construction from Tennessee State University.

Billy Stair is the Director of Communications and External Relations at Oak Ridge National Laboratory. He served as Senior Policy Advisor to Governor Ned McWherter and has held a variety of other advisory positions within the Tennessee state government. He also served as Executive Assistant to University of Tennessee President Joe Johnson. Stair holds a B.A. degree from Mars Hill College and an M.A. from Pennsylvania University.

Robert Brown is the deputy Manager for the U.S. Department of Energy's (DOE) Oak Ridge Office (ORO). He is responsible for the integration of the operational and internal business

activities of ORO, and serves as a focal point to address cross-cutting issues, internal ORO initiatives, and continuity of leadership for ORO. Brown previously has served as Chief Operating Officer, Assistant Manager for Assets Utilization, Deputy Manager of Construction and Engineering Division, Director of the Project Management Divisions and Deputy Assistant Manager of the Strategic Petroleum Reserve. Brown received a Bachelor of Science degree in civil engineering from the University of Tennessee and is a licensed Professional Engineer in the State of Tennessee.

Wayne Hope is the President/CEO of Enrichment Federal Credit Union, a position he has held since 1994. He has been with enrichment Federal Credit Union (formerly K-25 Federal Credit Union) since 1977. Hope is a Past Chairman of the Tennessee Credit Union League, Past Chairman of the Volunteer Corporate Credit Union and a board member of the Wester Corporate Credit Union. He is a graduate of Tennessee Technological University, the Southeast Regional Credit Union School at the University of Georgia, Financial Management School at Penn State and the University of Colorado, and is a Certified Credit Union Professional.

Tom Ballard is the Director for the Partnerships Directorate at Oak Ridge National Laboratory (ORNL). He joined the management team of UT-Battelle in July 2004 after retiring from The University of Tennessee following nearly 35 years representing the institution with a variety of stakeholders. Ballard retired from The University of Tennessee as Vice President for Public and Governmental Relations. He joined The University of Tennessee staff in 1969 as Director of Alumni Programs and moved to the Institute for Public Service in early 1973. Ballard has a Bachelor of Science from the University of Tennessee and was the 2001 recipient of the College's Hileman Outstanding Alumni Award. He also was named the second "Tennessee Valley Corridor Champion" in 2005.

The Oak Ridge Chamber of Commerce is an Accredited Chamber of Commerce with Approximately 700 members. For more information, call the Chamber at 483-1321 or visit www.orcc.org.

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