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DCRA Recognizes J. Kenneth Klinge at its Sixth Annual Meeting

The Dulles Corridor Rail Association (DCRA) will honor J. Kenneth Klinge, former Chairman of the Dulles Corridor Steering Committee and former Member of the Commonwealth Transportation Board at its Sixth Annual Meeting, Thursday, December 9, from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. at Lafarge North America, 12950 Worldgate Drive, 6th Floor, Herndon.

DCRA Chairman Delegate Kenneth R. Plum said, “DCRA is recognizing Kenny Klinge for his outstanding leadership in support of the Dulles Metrorail Project. He has lead the planning effort for six years as the project moved from a Major Investment Study to near completion of the Final Draft Environmental Impact Statement -- from planning studies to preliminary engineering for an extension of the Metrorail system.”

Delegate Vincent F. Callahan, DCRA Vice Chairman said, “Kenny leaves the Commonwealth Transportation Board with a major achievement under his belt. We owe Kenny a tremendous debt of gratitude for making Dulles rail a real project, one which is scheduled to be under construction by 2006.”

The October 9, 2004, Annual Meeting is being hosted by Lafarge North America. More than 100 business and civic leaders will join the DCRA Board of Directors to honor Mr. Klinge and the Founders and Partner sponsors who have underwritten the advocacy work of DCRA.

Larry Waisanen, Chief Financial Officer of Lafarge North America and a DCRA Board member, welcomed the guests and noted that Lafarge had been an early supporter of rail in the corridor, recognizing its value to its employees, as well as other businesses in the corridor. “The Dulles rail line links Washington Dulles International Airport and the growing Dulles corridor to the national capital. This regional rail link will contribute to the growth of the corridor into a world class place and a desirable location for international business.”

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