

# Legislators complete 2007 Session. Aquifer Group evaluating four Texas cities for headquarters location

*Aquifer Group is part of Texas' first comprehensive public-private water infrastructure partnership*

**June 2007 - Austin, Texas – Aquifer Group, LLC** was founded in response to the growing global gap between additional sustainable water resources and the government's ability to fund them. Aquifer Group is the first U.S. owned company with the capabilities to locate lost aquifer recharge and surface water restoration opportunities prolific enough to support the Company's private-sector solutions of development and investment to complete public water recovery and delivery infrastructure.

*“Aquifer Group harvests safe, sustainable, natural water supplies through the responsible restoration and conservation of global ground and surface water resources...”*

In December of 2006, at the urging of a number of key Texas Legislators, Aquifer Group's management team temporarily located to downtown Austin, Texas **“to get our message out”** while the Legislature was in session. Having successfully established relationships with a broad group of policy and funding resources our near-term work in the State Capital is completed for the near-term.

To lower our operating costs, begin increasing staff and to establish our operating headquarters we are evaluating a number of Texas cities including, San Antonio, Dallas, Houston and Austin.

Aquifer Group currently employs three full time executives and a small contract support staff. For the last four years, management has relied heavily on professional consultants in water engineering, research, legal and political fields. Management expects to increase executive staffing to 15 carefully selected executive and management individuals within eight months. Concurrently, we expect to also add 20 to 30 administrative and technical support employees. Subjectively, a number of proposed key management and technical support employees have been identified.

Aquifer Group requires a unique horizontal organization structure designed to capitalize on opportunities and dominate the global market through expertise in the complex technical, legal and capital requirements for transferring large water projects from government entities to the private sector.

Aquifer Group will draw from the private sector, leaders in administration, sales, finance and operations. These experts will be retrained and cross-trained to excel in Aquifer Group markets. Supporting managers and technical staff will be selected from a combination of private sector, universities and governmental agencies.

Aquifer Group relies on private sector alliances and investors to secure the services of highly trained and earnings motivated leadership as set out in our Organizational Structure. Relationships with clients, universities and government agencies will supply sufficient technical staff. Market forces and intern programs will produce a leadership cadre.

The Company anticipates within five years the need for a 100,000 to 200,000 square foot facility to house approximately 200 employees. Headquarters will be a Class A facility designed to accommodate six staff functions:

1. Project development, marketing and sales
2. Executive, administrative and legal staffs
3. Governmental policy, relationship and lobby staffs
4. Finance to include Investment and Alliances
5. Operations to include:
  - a. Strategic Water Conservation Reserves
  - b. Project management
  - c. Engineering, procurement and construction
  - d. Production
  - e. Infrastructure design , development and operation
6. Sciences to include
  - a. IR5 and exploration
  - b. GRFNet deployment and operations
  - c. DANOC global communications
  - d. Data processing and operations center
  - e. EARL Project management

#### Specialized Staffing, Equipment or Facility needs:

North American field personnel are expected to grow to 200-300 employees. Aquifer Group also requires equipment and support facilities to accomplish its tasks in remote, widely-dispersed regions of the world, including at least the following:

- Lobby, relationship and sales facilities located in capitols and government centers
- Enhanced Aquifer Recharge and associated laboratories
- Project and field offices to support individual Texas water projects are expected to include: Junction, Ozona, Ft. Stockton and Uvalde, Texas
- Joint education and research facilities with Texas Tech University located in both Lubbock and Fredericksburg, Texas
- Heavy equipment and supporting facilities
- Specialized aircraft and supporting facilities

“Aquifer Group and its partners look forward to working with Texas business and government leaders to find our home for this important enterprise.” said **Aquifer Group Chief Executive Officer John Brocksch**.