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BJWSA welcomes new chief of water plant operations

Okatie, SC (July 17, 2024) – Beaufort-Jasper Water & Sewer Authority (BJWSA) has named Brian Lierl as chief of water plant operations.

Lierl will manage all aspects of BJWSA's water treatment process. He previously worked as an assistant treatment superintendent at the Greater Cincinnati Water Works in Cincinnati, Ohio, and has more than 15 years of experience in the drinking water treatment industry, including management of large surface water, groundwater, water storage and carbon reactivation facilities.

"I'm thrilled to welcome Brian to the BJWSA team. With his extensive background in drinking water treatment, his wealth of experience and proven leadership abilities, he will be invaluable assets to our organization. I am confident that Brian will drive innovation and contribute significantly to our continued success," said BJWSA General Manager Verna Arnette.

"I'm excited to join BJWSA. The utility is growing rapidly as more and more people move to this beautiful region. This provides an exciting opportunity to help be a part of that growth and make sure that the water system has the capacity to meet the demand of new customers. I look forward to helping provide a vital public service to our area ," Lierl said.

Lierl received a Bachelor of Science in Environment and Natural Resources from Ohio State University, and he also has an Associate of Science in Environmental Engineering: Water and Wastewater from Cincinnati State Technical and Community College. He lives with his wife and two children on Lady's Island.

About BJWSA

BJWSA is the Southern Lowcountry's largest water and wastewater utility, serving approximately 200,000 Carolinians through 67,000 connections. The Authority is led by a Board of Directors recommended by the Beaufort and Jasper County Legislative Delegations and appointed by the Governor of South Carolina. The mission of the utility is to deliver quality water and wastewater services to current and future residents of the utility's 750 square mile service area.

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