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## **BUSCH GARDENS ANNOUNCES NEW VICE PRESIDENT OF OPERATIONS**

### **LEAVING SISTER PARK: WATER COUNTRY USA**

WILLIAMSBURG, Va. (April 1, 2008) – Mark Pauls, vice president of Water Country USA, has accepted the position of vice president of park operations at Busch Gardens in Williamsburg.

Pauls began his career at Busch Gardens in 1979 as a seasonal team member, cleaning the sidewalks and removing trash. He's held a variety of positions since then, including director of operations and environmental health and safety. He became the vice president of Water Country USA in August 2005. With his leadership, the mid-Atlantic's largest water park enjoyed successful seasons and record attendance.

Pauls assumes the new position immediately, and his replacement at Water Country USA has not been announced. He is replacing Doug Stagner who has assumed a role on the development team for the company's four Worlds of Discovery parks in Dubai.

Busch Gardens and Water Country USA are Worlds of Discovery parks. Other Worlds of Discovery parks include SeaWorld parks in Orlando, San Diego, Calif. and San Antonio, Texas; Busch Gardens Africa in Tampa, Fla.; Discovery Cove in Orlando; Sesame Place in Langhorne, Pa. near Philadelphia; Aquatica, SeaWorld's water park in Orlando; and the water park Adventure Island in Tampa.

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