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WATER COUNTRY USA **ANNOUNCES NEW VICE PRESIDENT**

WILLIAMSBURG, Va. (May 19, 2008) – A familiar face is the new leader at the mid-Atlantic's largest water park. Terry Prather dives into the position of vice president at Water Country USA on May 19.

Prather's adventure-park career started at Water Country USA's sister park, SeaWorld in San Antonio. He served there as the operations manager from 1986 to 1997.

"Terry is a respected leader with a wealth of knowledge and experience in the theme park industry," said John Reilly, general manager and executive vice president of Water Country USA and Busch Gardens. "He's a great fit to lead the mid-Atlantic's premier water park."

Prather spent the past decade working for Six Flags Theme Parks Inc. serving as the general manager and vice president in New Orleans and most recently as president of its Maryland park.

Prather takes over the position left by Mark Pauls who became the vice president of operations at Busch Gardens in Williamsburg earlier this year. And Prather is joining Water Country USA at an exciting time. The company recently unveiled a new attraction at the park called "Rock 'n' Roll Island" which features nearly 600 feet of new body slides, a 700-foot lazy river and a 9,000-square-foot pool.

Water Country USA is a Worlds of Discovery park. Other Worlds of Discovery parks include Busch Gardens in Williamsburg, Va. and Tampa, Fl.; SeaWorld in San Diego, San Antonio and Orlando, Fl.; Adventure Island in Tampa; Discovery Cove and Aquatica in Orlando; and Sesame Place near Philadelphia.

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