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Phoenix IDA Hires Economic Development & HR Administrators

PHOENIX (August 10, 2015) —The Industrial Development Authority of the City of Phoenix, AZ (“Phoenix IDA”), announces the appointment of Paul Magallanez as its community and economic development administrator and James T. Barham as its human resources and legal affairs administrator.

“Paul and James bring tremendous economic development, human resources and legal skills to the Phoenix IDA team. Together, Paul and James will help the Phoenix IDA advance its vision of strengthening economic development, jobs, home ownership and our communities through public-private partnerships,” said Juan Salgado, executive director of the Phoenix IDA.

Magallanez has worked in economic development and housing for 16 years. He previously served as the economic development director for the City of Tolleson. He negotiated development agreements on the City’s behalf, assisted developers in navigating through the zoning and permitting process and implemented economic development strategy plans. He also served as the City of Phoenix’s deputy housing director for six years. A member of the International Economic Development Council, Arizona Association for Economic Development, Greater Phoenix Economic Council’s Board of Directors and Hispanic Leadership Forum del Oeste’s Board of Directors, Magallanez was honorably discharged from the U.S. Marine Corps in 1988. He earned his masters of public administration from Arizona State University.

Barham worked as an attorney at Kutak Rock LLP for seven years where he represented clients in tax-exempt and taxable public finance and secured lending transactions. He also consulted with clients to establish employee evaluation, incentive and disciplinary processes. His HR experience began as a human resources generalist at Aviano Air Base in Italy after being honorably discharged from the U.S. Air Force in 1993. In 2015, he earned a Professional in Human Resources certification. He is a member of the Society for Human Resource Management, National Association of Bond Lawyers and American Bar Association. He earned his law degree from Creighton University School of Law.

About the Phoenix IDA

Established in 1981 by the Phoenix City Council, the Phoenix IDA serves as a conduit issuer of private activity bonds which attract private investment to finance projects that provide a public benefit. The Phoenix IDA has a long history of providing access to capital for community and economic development projects. By establishing public/private partnerships through revenue bond financing projects, the Phoenix IDA strives to increase job opportunities within the community, support education and health care, and provide housing for underserved communities, all which benefit the residents of the city of Phoenix and the state of Arizona. The Phoenix IDA does not rely on taxpayer or general fund dollars. For additional information, visit www.phoenixida.com.