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Clay Johnson III Confirmed as Deputy Director of Management, Office of Management and Budget

Washington, D.C. – The United States Senate Wednesday night confirmed President Bush's appointment of Clay Johnson III as Deputy Director for Management (DDM) for the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). The Deputy Director for Management provides government-wide leadership to Executive Branch agencies to improve agency and program performance.

"President Bush promised to make government work better so the American people get top-rate services at the best value for their tax dollars. That's why I'm proud that he asked me to do this job because this is the place where we make that happen," said Mr. Johnson.

As DDM, Mr. Johnson will work closely with departments and chair the President's Management Council and numerous other interagency management councils with the responsibility of improving the management of the Executive Branch. He will lead the implementation of the President's Management Agenda, which includes five government-wide initiatives: Strategic Management of Human Capital, Competitive Sourcing, Improved Financial Performance, Expanded Electronic Government, and Budget and Performance Integration. These initiatives are designed to address those problems where the opportunity to improve the management of government is greatest.

Mr. Johnson will also coordinate all management activities throughout OMB, leading OMB's four statutory management offices: Office of Federal Procurement Policy (OFPP), Office of Federal Financial Management (OFFM), Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs (OIRA) and the Office of Electronic Government.

Since the beginning of the administration, Mr. Johnson served as Assistant to the President for Presidential Personnel. In that capacity, he led the organization that identifies and recruits approximately 4000 senior officials, middle management personnel and part-time board and commission members. From 1995 to 2000, Mr. Johnson worked with Governor George W. Bush in Austin, first as his Appointments Director and then as his Chief of Staff.

While in Austin, he also served on the Advisory Board for the Texas State History Museum, and as an Adjunct Professor at the University of Texas Graduate School of Business. In Dallas, he served as President of the Board of Trustees for St. Marks School of Texas, and as a Board Member of Equitable Bankshares, Goodwill Industries of Dallas, and the Dallas Chapter of the Young Presidents Organization.

Earlier in his career, he was the Chief Operating Officer of the Dallas Museum of Art from 1992 to 1994. He was President of Horchow Mail Order from 1983 to 1988, and then President of Neiman Marcus Mail Order from 1988 to 1991, after Neiman Marcus purchased the Horchow Company. Mr. Johnson also worked for Citicorp in Chicago; Wilson Sporting Goods in Chicago; and Frito Lay in Dallas. He received his undergraduate degree from Yale University and a Masters degree from MIT's Sloan School of Management.