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### **GLS Names New Associate Administrator for Massena, New York Operations**

**WASHINGTON** - The Great Lakes St. Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation (GLS) today announced that Mr. Jeffrey Scharf assumed the position of Associate Administrator of the GLS's Massena, New York operations and facilities on June 5. The GLS Associate Administrator oversees the operation of the U.S. locks, vessel traffic control, and other programs involved with maintaining locks, facilities, and waters, and directs vessel speed enforcement activities balancing the needs of shippers, landowners, and other stakeholders which include private, commercial, sovereign Mohawk nation, Canadian and New York State entities.

GLS Deputy Administrator Craig Middlebrook stated, "Jeff has shown an extraordinary commitment to the GLS's mission and the welfare of its employees. The GLS and the entire Great Lakes St. Lawrence Seaway System is fortunate to have Jeff's leadership as he assumes this important new role."

"In Jeff's various roles at the GLS over the past 10 years, he has proven himself to be an effective leader and a supportive colleague. Jeff has played a critical role over the last two years in helping to guide the Corporation's Massena operations through all the challenges and uncertainties that have confronted us during the pandemic. Jeff has the necessary leadership skills and qualifications to lead us forward," Middlebrook said.

Jeffrey Scharf joined the GLS in 2012 and has served as the organization's Director of Engineering and Maintenance since 2016. He led the GLS team responsible for managing the Corporation's facilities, which include two locks and operating equipment, navigational aids and channels, buildings, grounds, utilities, and roadways. Mr. Scharf was also instrumental in the planning and execution of the GLS's Seaway Infrastructure Program. He earned degrees in civil engineering from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (undergraduate) and Stanford University (graduate).

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