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SKILLED ENERGY WASHINGTON, D.C. ATTORNEYS JOIN LOCKE LORD BISSELL & LIDDELL

(WASHINGTON, D.C.) March 16, 2009 – Xanthe M. Larsen, an accomplished energy finance attorney, has joined Locke Lord Bissell & Liddell as a Partner based in the Firm’s Washington, D.C., office. Larsen, who will play an integral role in the Firm’s national Energy Practice, is known for her breadth of experience in handling issues related to energy finance, infrastructure development, and mergers and acquisitions. Also joining Locke Lord’s D.C. office as Counsel is Shannon M. Grewer. Both Larsen and Grewer come to Locke Lord from Akin Gump, where Larsen was an energy finance Partner and Grewer was Counsel.

“We are very excited to welcome Xanthe Larsen and Shannon Grewer to our Firm,” said David Schwinger, Managing Partner of Locke Lord’s D.C. office. “With the nation facing significant energy challenges, these are high-quality laterals who will add energy bench strength to our D.C. office, and will add depth to our work on national energy finance, energy project development, and mergers and acquisitions. We look forward to having them on our team.”

Larsen’s practice focuses on domestic and international project finance and infrastructure development; financings, mergers and acquisitions, and other corporate transactions in the electric and renewable energy, oil and gas, mining and project development industries; and general corporate transactions both domestically and internationally. She received her law degree from the University of Utah, where she also earned her Master of Business Administration, Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Arts degrees.

Grewer concentrates her practice on infrastructure project development and related transactions in the domestic and international energy sector. She represents clients on mergers and acquisitions, divestures, financings, joint ventures and strategic alliances, as well as infrastructure and construction development projects. Grewer received her law degree from Fordham University School of Law, and her Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Connecticut.

Locke Lord Bissell & Liddell LLP is a full-service, national law firm of more than 700 attorneys with offices in Atlanta, Austin, Boston, Chicago, Dallas, Houston, London, Los Angeles, New Orleans, New York, Sacramento, San Francisco and Washington, D.C. With a vast geographic scope, and a national reputation in complex litigation, regulatory and transactional work, Locke Lord is focused on achieving client success as a team. Among Locke Lord’s many strong practice areas are appellate, aviation, corporate, class action litigation, employee benefits, energy, environmental, financial services, health care, insurance and reinsurance, intellectual property, labor and employment, public law, real estate, regulatory, REIT, tax and technology.