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ACCOMPLISHED D.C. ENERGY ATTORNEY BRUCE GRABOW JOINS LOCKE LORD BISSELL & LIDDELL AS SENIOR COUNSEL

(WASHINGTON, D.C.) June 22, 2009 – Bruce A. Grabow, an attorney with extensive experience in the energy area, has joined Locke Lord Bissell & Liddell as Senior Counsel based in the Firm’s Washington, D.C., office. Grabow’s successful record of representing electric utility clients before the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) and state regulatory agencies will complement Locke Lord’s thriving national Energy Practice. Grabow comes to Locke Lord from Akin Gump and is the third energy attorney to join Locke Lord’s D.C. office this year. Recently, Xanthe M. Larsen and Shannon M. Grewer, both from Akin Gump, brought their energy project finance and infrastructure development practices to Locke Lord.

“We are excited to have Bruce join our growing D.C. energy practice,” said Bill Kelty, Managing Partner of Locke Lord’s D.C. office. “The importance of improving energy efficiency has increased dramatically in recent years due to global climate change, regional trade and investment pacts, local environmental issues, and widespread recognition of the need for infrastructure and sustainable development. With these important additions to our already high profile energy group, Locke Lord is well-equipped to help our energy industry clients meet future regulatory and transactional challenges.”

Grabow represents electric utility companies, electric power marketers, independent power producers, wholesale and retail customers, and financial institutions in regulatory and transactional matters pertaining to electric energy industry before the FERC and state regulatory agencies. He advises clients on mergers, acquisitions and corporate reorganizations. Grabow has helped clients obtain market-based rate authorization from the FERC, has made and participated in cost-based rate proceedings associated with power and transmission for electric utilities, and has advised clients in all other areas of electric energy regulation. He received his law degree from Widener University School of Law, magna cum laude, and his Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Florida.

Locke Lord Bissell & Liddell LLP is a full-service, national law firm 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 industries, intellectual property, labor and employment, public law, real estate, REIT, tax and technology.