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SBA Announces Appointment of Daniel Hannaher As Regional Administrator for Region VIII

WASHINGTON – Today, the U.S. Small Business Administration announced the appointment of Daniel Hannaher, as the regional administrator in Region VIII, to oversee the SBA’s programs and services in Colorado, Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota, Utah and Wyoming.

“Both the SBA and small businesses of Region VIII will benefit greatly from Dan’s entrepreneurial background,” said SBA Administrator Karen G. Mills in welcoming Hannaher. “With his experience in both the public and private sectors, as well as his commitment to serving the community, Dan will be a tremendous asset and advocate for small businesses and entrepreneurs across the region, especially at this critical time when so many are facing tough challenges as a result of the recession.”

“The opportunity to serve my country at the U.S. Small Business Administration is a tremendous honor,” said Hannaher. “I look forward to working with SBA Administrator Karen Mills and everyone at the agency on the frontlines of America’s economic recovery, strengthening small businesses and growing jobs. This appointment by President Obama is a privilege of a lifetime, and I am grateful.”

Region VIII is SBA’s most rural region in the country. With 27 separate tribal nations and more than 500,000 square miles of territory, this region is as diverse as any in the country. The regional office serves district offices in Fargo, N. D.; Casper, Wyo.; Sioux Falls, S. D.; Salt Lake City, Utah; Helena Mont., and Denver, Colo.

Hannaher was named president of Hannaher’s Inc., a retailer of office furniture and design services in Fargo, N.D., in 1987. Hannaher has an extensive record of community service. His work in his community includes, serving as chair of the MeritCare Foundation Board and as member of the boards of The Village Family Service Center and the Fargo Public Library Board of Trustees. He has volunteered for many Democratic organizations in North Dakota.

Hannaher is a North Dakota native and graduate of Minnesota State University Moorhead. He and his wife, Loral, have one daughter, Lily.

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