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Fuel Fund of Maryland Elects Four New Directors

Baltimore – September 5, 2006 – The Fuel Fund of Maryland Inc. announced today that it has elected four new members to its board—three representing the corporate community and one with an expertise in nonprofit leadership and fundraising.

Joining the Fuel Fund board effective September 15 are:

- **Michael B. MacWilliams**, a Partner at Venable LLP, whose practice focuses on the resolution of complex commercial and intellectual property disputes. MacWilliams earned his J.D. from the University of Baltimore School of Law where he received the Law Faculty Award as the Outstanding Graduate. He earned a B.S. in Mechanical Engineering from Virginia Polytechnic Institute.
- **Paul Richardson**, an Account Manager in the Financial Services Group at Riggs, Counselman, Michaels & Downs, Inc. (RCM&D) Richardson is currently pursuing a MBA at Loyola College and certification as an Employee Benefit Specialist at the University of Pennsylvania, Wharton School.
- **Christopher Russell**, a Principal with Energy Pathfinder Management Consulting, LLC, an organization dedicated to the design and implementation of energy management strategies for business organizations. Russell holds an MBA and an MA from the University of Maryland.
- **James B. Smith**, the Executive Director of the Community Action Council of Howard County. Smith has 16 years of successful leadership, program development, and fundraising experience with nonprofit organizations. Smith holds a master's in and is working on a doctorate in public administration.

Elected officers for the year are: President – John F. Goedeke, Jr., Senior Vice President for Commercial Services, Provident Bank; Vice President – Richard B. Phelps, III, President and CEO of Carroll Independent Fuels, Inc.; Treasurer – Lester Coles, retired, Northrup Grumman Corporation.

Continuing their terms on the board are David L. Brond, Vice President of Marketing and Planning, University of Maryland Medical Systems; Marnell Allan Cooper, Esq.; Richard Doran, Executive Director of the Community Assistance Network of Baltimore County; Corina Hines, Director of Energy Programs for Human Services Programs of Carroll County; Belinda Johnson, Public Affairs Producer/Coordinator, WNUV WB54; and James Thierer, Senior Operations Analyst for the Customer Care Division at BGE.

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