

**Mobile Area Water & Sewer System (MAWSS)
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Dr. James Laier

Laier Elected MAWSS Chair

Dr. James Laier was elected Chair of the Board of Mobile Area Water & Sewer System (MAWSS), replacing Maynard Odom who returns to the role of Commissioner. Barbara Drummond will serve as Vice Chair and Sam Jones will be Secretary-Treasurer.

Laier is the founder and former CEO of Southern Earth Sciences, Inc. He is a Fellow in the American Society of Civil Engineers and Associate Professor in the College of Engineering at the University of South Alabama. He is serving his second term on the Board and his second stint as Chair. He previously served as Chair in 2012.