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**Pannone Lopes Devereaux & West Attorneys to present on Waste-to-Energy Conversion  
at the Massachusetts Municipal Association Annual Meeting & Trade Show**

**Providence, RI** (January 4, 2010) – Pannone Lopes Devereaux & West LLC (PLDW) attorneys will serve on an expert panel that will discuss innovative approaches for municipal waste reduction and clean energy at the Massachusetts Municipal Association (MMA) Annual Meeting & Trade Show, held January 21 & 22, 2011 at the Hynes Convention Center & Sheraton Hotel in Boston, MA.

PLDW Partner and nationally-recognized water, wastewater and solid waste attorney Teno A. West will be joined by Steven A. Torres, Corporation Counsel, City of Fall River, MA, and Dwayne Berger, Director of Renewable and Alternative Energy, Department of Environmental Protection, for a panel entitled: *One Person's Trash Is Another's Treasure: Waste-to-Energy Conversion*. Matthew G. Feher, PLDW Counsel, will serve as the panel moderator for an important discussion on the legal, technical, contracting, permitting, and risk issues associated with the procurement of emerging bio-solids technologies and how these new technologies allow for the beneficial use of municipal wastewater and solid waste through the production of electricity and other energy products. Sponsored by MMA's Standing Policy Committee on Energy and Environment, the panel will feature the City of Fall River, MA as a topical case study.

**Event Summary:**

**Who:** PLDW Partner Teno A. West; Steven A. Torres, Corporation Counsel, City of Fall River, MA; and Dwayne Berger, Director of Renewable and Alternative Energy, Department of Environmental Protection. Matthew G. Feher, PLDW Counsel, will serve as the panel moderator.

**What:** *One Person's Trash Is Another's Treasure: Waste-to-Energy Conversion*

**When:** Friday, January 21 at 2:00 PM

**Where:** Room 203, Hynes Convention Center, Boston

“Municipalities possess some of the state’s largest untapped dependable sources of renewable, sustainable green energy, including municipal solid waste and wastewater biomass,” said PLDW Partner Teno A. West. “This is a must-attend panel for city and town representatives who are interested in obtaining valuable legal advice and learning about the new and exciting opportunities now available in the development of waste-to-energy conversion facilities.”

PLDW is at the forefront of legal developments in the field of municipal infrastructure and project management — particularly those constructed on a design-build and design-build-operate basis — including water

and sewer facilities, municipal buildings, recreational facilities, transportation systems and other public projects. PLDW attorneys West and Feher are frequent guest speakers on a variety of waste-to-energy topics including the procurement of such facilities, the several conversion technologies currently available, energy recovery from landfill gas, and available state and federal financial incentives. **For more information, visit PLDW at the Annual Meeting & Trade Show at booth number 500 or visit [www.pldw.com](http://www.pldw.com).**

The MMA Annual Meeting and Trade Show is the largest regular gathering of Massachusetts' local government officials. The two-day event features educational workshops, expert speakers, awards programs, a large trade show, and an opportunity to network with municipal officials from across the state.

PLDW was founded in March 2006 by partners in an international law firm and is now recognized as one of the most distinguished law firms in the New England and New York regions. The firm has expanded its footprint in the marketplace each year since it was founded. The platform at Pannone Lopes Devereaux & West is structured to deliver large firm expertise and business consulting in a cost-effective manner. PLDW partners and staff embrace a culture of commitment to 'client and community' as is reflected in its recognition as a Best Places to Work in Rhode Island for three years in a row (2008, 2009, 2010) by PBN and The Best Companies firm, an independent research company.

For information about PLDW, contact PLDW Director of Administration David Sweet at 401-824-5100.

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