



Seacoast Commerce Bank Announces Change in Chief Credit Officer Role

CHULA VISTA, Calif. – May 5, 2009 – Seacoast Commerce Bank (OTCBB: SCCB) today announced that Mark Nugent, the Bank’s current Chief Credit Officer, has made the decision to step down in order to move closer to his family.

Richard M. Sanborn, President of Seacoast commented: “I can’t thank Mark enough for all his help. Mark has been an integral part of our turnaround success, and we surely would not be in as good shape as we are now without his tireless work; he will surely be missed.”

With Mr. Nugent’s decision to step down, the Bank announced the hiring of Richard “Rick” Visser as the Bank’s new Chief Credit Officer. Sanborn continued: “We were fortunate Rick was available to join us with Mark’s decision to leave. Rick’s background and previous experience will fit perfectly with the Bank, and will allow us to continue with the fine work Mark has done. Mark has also agreed to stay for an extended period of time to ensure a smooth transition.”

Mr. Visser was previously a Regional Manager with Pacific Western Bank, a \$5 Billion San Diego based commercial bank. Prior to that he was a Credit Administrator with Community National Bank, a \$1 billion Escondido based commercial bank.

Seacoast Commerce Bank is a Southern California based Business Bank with its Main Office in Chula Vista. For more information on the bank please visit our website at www.sccombank.com or contact Richard M. Sanborn, President and Chief Executive Officer, at 619-409-5762.

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