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**ADA-ES NOMINATES ROBERT CARUSO AND DEREK JOHNSON TO  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**DR. RAMON BISQUE STEPS DOWN AS CHAIRMAN TO HEAD UP ADA-ES'  
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE**

Littleton, CO – March 21, 2006 – ADA-ES, Inc. (NASDAQ:ADES) today announced that Robert N. Caruso and Derek Johnson have been nominated to the Company's Board of Directors and will be up for election at the Company's 2005 Annual Meeting scheduled for May 10, 2006. Both Mr. Caruso and Mr. Johnson would bring extensive financial and operational experience to ADA-ES' Board.

The Company also announced that Dr. Ramon E. Bisque has resigned as Chairman of the Board so that he can focus his efforts for ADA-ES on a newly formed Science and Technology Committee that will advise the Company's management team on technical issues. Dr. Bisque co-founded Earth Sciences, the company from which ADA-ES spun-off in September 2003. Directors Jeffrey C. Smith and John W. Eaves will serve as Interim Chairman and Interim Vice-Chairman, respectively. Mr. Smith is an attorney who has worked on clean air issues since 1978, including 17 years as Executive Director of the Institute of Clean Air Companies. Mr. Eaves is the President and COO of Arch Coal.

If Mr. Caruso and Mr. Johnson are elected the number of independent directors on ADA-ES' Board would increase from four to six.

Mr. Caruso has diverse experience with middle-market companies and Fortune 500 multinationals, including leadership positions in strategic planning/M&A, corporate development, marketing, engineering and technology. He is currently a Managing Partner of B/3 Management Resources LLC, a management consulting and technical services firm, and was formerly Senior Vice President of CadWest Capital Advisors, an investment banking firm serving middle-market companies. From 1999 – 2001, he was Vice President of Applied Science & Technology, a public company at the time, providing reactive gas processing systems and specialty power sources to the semiconductor and medical equipment markets, which was acquired by MKS Instruments, Inc. in 2001. Before that, from 1995 – 1998 Mr. Caruso was President of Pride Industries Inc., a precision products and specialty machinery company with Fortune 500 customers. Earlier, he spent 14 years at Alcoa, the world's leading producer of aluminum, where his last position was Regional Manager - Inter America. Mr. Caruso has a B.S. in Engineering Mechanics, a B.A. in General Arts & Sciences from Penn State University, and an MBA from Wayne State University. He also completed the Advanced Management Program at Harvard University.

Currently, Mr. Johnson is President of Fusion Specialties, a specialty supplier to the retail industry. Prior to working at Fusion Specialties, Mr. Johnson was employed from 1984 – 2005, with CoorsTek, a manufacturer of technical products, supplying critical components and assemblies for mining, automotive, semiconductor, aerospace, electronic, power generation, telecommunication, and other high-technology applications on a global basis. Most recently, from 2000 – 2005, he served as President and COO of CoorsTek. In this role, he led the operations of the company through various transactions, including going public, during which he positioned the company within the investment community. During his tenure as President and COO, CoorsTek also acquired several companies, and later went private. Before serving in this role, he worked in various quality, sales and operational leadership positions at CoorsTek, in an array of global markets. Mr. Johnson holds a HNC in Electrical and Electronic Engineering from Kirkcauld College in Scotland and an Executive MBA from the University of Denver.

Dr. Michael Durham, President of ADA-ES, stated, “On behalf of my fellow directors, we are pleased to nominate Bob and Derek, each of whom has a diverse range of professional experience. As the Company positions itself for significant growth in the near future, we will benefit from their counsel in the pursuit of exciting opportunities.”

### **About ADA-ES**

Headquartered in Littleton, Colorado, ADA-ES, Inc. develops and implements proprietary environmental technology and specialty chemicals that mitigate the environmental impact from electric power and industrial companies while reducing operating costs.

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