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Office of Utilities Regulation pays tribute to Ken Chaplin

(KINGSTON, Jamaica; 2019 August 19): The Office of Utilities Regulation (OUR) joins in expressing condolences to the family, friends and colleagues of the late veteran journalist, Ken Chaplin, and paying tribute to his impactful professional life.

The Director General of the OUR, Ansord Hewitt, remembered him for his contribution to what was at the time, the nascent advocacy body, the Consumer Advisory Committee on Utilities (CACU) the formation of which was facilitated by the OUR as an advocate for utility customers and a channel through which they could be made fully aware of their views and opinions. Mr. Chaplin was a charter member of the CACU which was formed in 2001. At that time, Mr. Chaplain's role was primarily that of public relations and communication.

Mr. Chaplin's tenure at CACU lasted throughout the chairmanship of Dr. Alfred Sangster (2001-2004) and thereafter for a year, he operated as a Consultant preparing and issuing media releases as well as interacting with the media on behalf of the CACU.

"Given the range and diversity of his interests, it should not come as a surprise that his contribution to national life touched on the work of the OUR. We join with those who have worked with Mr. Chaplin in his various roles in the civil service over the many years and are happy to record that the OUR too has benefited from his even-handed and diligent professionalism in the early years of the CACU," Mr. Hewitt said.

"We pray for his family in this time of their bereavement and offer them our most sincere condolences and sympathy and trust the evidence of the value of his life will serve as a source of comfort".