

## Middlesex Water Company Among New Jersey's Top Businesses to be Honored by NJBIZ

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ISELIN, N.J., Oct. 14, 2013 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Middlesex Water Company (Nasdaq:MSEX) has been named a finalist in the 2013 NJBIZ Business of the Year awards program. The NJBIZ awards program celebrates New Jersey's most dynamic businesses and business leaders who share a commitment to professional excellence, business growth and the community.

Middlesex Water has been providing water service in central New Jersey for over 116 years. The company has ten operating units through which it provides water, wastewater and related utility services, contract operations and public private partnerships in New Jersey, Delaware and Pennsylvania. Over the past year, the Company announced an innovative renewable energy partnership with the Village of Ridgewood, NJ and was recently awarded a contract from the U.S. Department of Defense to own and operate the water system of Dover Air Force Base in DE through an affiliate. CEO Dennis Doll was also recently named to lead the National Association of Water Companies, a national trade association representing the private water industry, as President of its Board of Directors.

Awards finalists were selected in six categories: Corporate Citizen of the Year, Emerging Business of the Year and Executive of the Year, as well as Business of the Year (1-50 Employees), (51-100 Employees), and (101+ Employees). Middlesex Water, headquartered in Iselin, NJ, was selected as a finalist in the Business of the Year (101+ Employees) category.

"We are honored to be among the list of New Jersey's best businesses," said Dennis Doll, Chairman, President and CEO of Middlesex Water. "This has been an exciting year for our company as we helped numerous municipalities solve their water and wastewater challenges through our ever-growing suite of services. I thank our employees for their ongoing efforts in delivering quality service to our customers and for their ongoing support of our numerous outreach efforts through which we work to strengthen our partnerships and build stronger communities," added Doll.

Finalists and winners of the NJBIZ Business of the Year program were chosen by an independent panel of judges. The award program, produced by NJBIZ, New Jersey's premiere business news publication, is presented by EisnerAmper LLP and sponsored by Sun National Bank, Comcast Business, and K&L Gates.

The Business of the Year award finalists will be recognized and the winner in each category will be announced during an awards dinner on December 9, 2013 at the Palace at Somerset Park in Somerset, NJ. For more information, please visit <a href="https://www.njbiz.com/events">www.njbiz.com/events</a> or call (732) 246-5737.

## **About Middlesex Water Company**

Middlesex Water Company, organized in 1897, provides regulated and unregulated water and wastewater utility services primarily in New Jersey and Delaware through various subsidiary companies. For information about Middlesex Water Company, visit <a href="https://www.middlesexwater.com">www.middlesexwater.com</a>

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