



Tidewater Utilities, Inc. Named to Top Workplaces 2011 List

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Middlesex Water Subsidiary Earns Repeat Honor

DOVER, DE -- (MARKET WIRE) -- 08/15/11 -- Middlesex Water Company (NASDAQ: MSEX) a provider of water and wastewater services in New Jersey and Delaware, today announced that its wholly owned, regulated Delaware subsidiary, Tidewater Utilities, Inc., has been named to "Top Workplaces 2011" a list of the best places to work in the state of Delaware by Workplace Dynamics LLC in Malvern, PA, in a survey conducted by The Delaware News Journal.

Tidewater Utilities, Inc. is a water utility serving more than 42,000 homes and businesses in over 370 residential communities and commercial establishments throughout Delaware. The "Top Workplaces 2011" list identifies leading workplaces in Delaware based upon the opinions of their employees. The results of the employee survey were compared across organizations, with 100 companies participating in the program and 50 companies appearing on the list. Tidewater placed in the Top 20 Mid-size employer category.

Gerard L. Esposito, President of Tidewater Utilities, Inc., said, "We are delighted to achieve this distinction for the fifth time. All of our employees -- our licensed operators, technicians, engineers, maintenance and service crews and support personnel -- are the cornerstone of our success. They take pride in their work, in their employer and in the communities we serve. It is their expertise and dedication that helps Tidewater to continue delivering quality service to our customers."

Tidewater Utilities, Inc. operates 162 wells and 86 water plants. In 2010, the Company delivered more than 2.1 billion gallons of water throughout its service area, which extends from lower New Castle County in the north of Delaware to Sussex County near the state's southern border and into Maryland. Tidewater Utilities is the largest private water supplier south of the Chesapeake & Delaware Canal. For more information about Tidewater, visit www.tuiwater.com or call 800-523-7224.

Tidewater's parent company, Middlesex Water Company, organized in 1987, provides regulated and unregulated water and wastewater utility services in New Jersey and Delaware through various subsidiary companies. For additional information regarding Middlesex Water Company, visit www.middlesexwater.com or call (732) 634-1500.

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