

## Tidewater Utilities Water/Wastewater Professionals Honored For Service and Expertise

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DOVER, Del., May 22, 2017 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Tidewater Utilities, Inc.'s (Tidewater) Water and Wastewater operators were recognized for their outstanding performances at a Delaware Technical and Community College ceremony earlier this month. The ceremony recognized deserving water and wastewater operators, on-site professionals, and the role they played in protecting and creating a healthy environment for the citizens of Delaware.

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The following Tidewater employees and teams recognized were:

Thomas Herholdt received the **Allen J. Williams Lifetime Achievement Award** for his 40+ years of dedication and service in the water and wastewater industry. Tom retired from Tidewater in February 2017.

Tidewater's Northern District Operators were nominated for the Water/Wastewater Professionals Team Award for their quick response in bringing one of their troubled contract operation plants back into regulatory compliance. The team consists of Al Miller, James Craig, Jim Faulkner, Purnell Potter, Mike Vonville, Dan Wakefield, Regan Cummings, Mike Evans and Mike Funk.

Alexis Virdin-Gede was named **Delaware Water Operator of the Year** in recognition of the excellence she delivers on a daily basis as a Compliance Manager in Water Quality. Also nominated for the Delaware Water Operator of the Year was Linda Little for her support of facilities and her expertise in the compliance field.

Gloria Lefchick and James Taylor of Tidewater's Central District were also nominees for the **Delaware Wastewater Operator of the Year.** 

"I continue to be proud of the Tidewater team for their unwavering dedication in ensuring high quality water and wastewater service to our customers in Delaware," said Gerard L. Esposito, President of Tidewater Utilities. "Over the years, Tidewater's operators have received more recognition than any other operating team. It is a well deserved honor," added Esposito.

Tidewater is committed to providing quality water, to investing in its infrastructure, to rigorously testing its water supplies and to educating the public about the value of a clean and plentiful drinking water supply. For additional information about Tidewater, please visit the Company's website at <a href="https://www.tuiwater.com">www.tuiwater.com</a> Tidewater is a subsidiary of Middlesex Water Company (NASDAQ:MSEX).

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Pictured L-R: Jerry Esposito, President, Tidewater Utilities, Inc., Gloria Lefchick, Jim Faulkner, Linda Little, Purnell Potter, Al Miller, Mike Vonville, Mike Evans, James Craig, Mike Funk, Alexis Virdin-Gede, Dan Wakefield, Tom Herholdt, Regan Cummings and Dennis Doll, CEO, Middlesex Water Company celebrate Tidewater recognition at the Delaware technical and Community College Operators ceremony.



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