

Middlesex Water General Counsel Jay L. Kooper Named a 2016 NJBIZ General Counsel of the Year Awards Finalist

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ISELIN, N.J., March 17, 2016 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Middlesex Water Company (NASDAQ:MSEX), a provider of water, wastewater and related utility services, is pleased to announce that its Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary, Jay L. Kooper, has been named a finalist for the 2016 NJBIZ General Counsel of the Year Awards in the Public Company category. NJBIZ is New Jersey's premier business news publication.

A photo accompanying this announcement is available at http://www.globenewswire.com/NewsRoom/AttachmentNg/7b11742e-12db-45ed-92db-be540a05f110

The General Counsel of the Year Awards program honors New Jersey's standout General Counsels and Chief Legal Officers for their efforts in contributing to the success of their companies. Finalists will be recognized and winners announced during an awards breakfast and ceremony on Thursday, June 9, 2016 at The Palace at Somerset Park in Somerset, New Jersey.

Jay L. Kooper was appointed Vice President, General Counsel & Secretary of Middlesex Water Company in March 2014, and currently serves as an officer of the New Jersey State Bar Association's Public Utility Law Section, a member of the New Jersey Utilities Association's Finance and Regulations Committee, and a member of the National Association of Water Companies' Regulatory Law and Rates Committee and New Jersey Chapter. In January 2016, Mr. Kooper was elected to the Board of Trustees of Temple B'Nai Abraham in Livingston, New Jersey, where he resides with his wife Jessica and sons Jordan and Ethan.

"On behalf of the employees and Board of Directors at Middlesex Water Company we congratulate Jay on this honor in recognition of his contributions to our company and our industry," said Dennis Doll, Middlesex Water President & CEO.

Awards finalists were selected in six categories: Public Company with revenues up to \$1 Billion, Public Company with revenues over \$1 Billion, Private Company with revenues up to \$500 Million, Private Company with revenues over \$500 Million, Non-profit or Government Organization and Healthcare. For more information about the NJBIZ General Counsel of the Year Awards program, please visit www.njbiz.com/events or call (732) 246-5713.



Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary, Jay L. Kooper of Middlesex Water Company

About Middlesex Water Company

Middlesex Water Company, organized in 1897, provides regulated and unregulated water and wastewater utility services through various subsidiary companies. For additional information about Middlesex Water Company visit www.middlesexwater.com or call (732) 634-1500.

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