

## MIDDLESEX WATER COMPANY ANNOUNCES TRANSMISSION MAIN REPLACEMENT PROJECT IN THE BOROUGH OF SAYREVILLE, NJ

ISELIN, NJ March 31, 2017 -- Middlesex Water Company (NASDAQ: MSEX) today announced crews will begin mobilizing to replace sections of a large diameter 95-year old water transmission main in the Borough of Sayreville, New Jersey beginning on April 3, 2017. The \$1.8 million project is necessary to replace aging water infrastructure in the area and ensure continued reliability and service quality to customers in eastern and southern Middlesex County and a portion of Monmouth County. Approximately1,500 feet of water main is being replaced in the project, expected to be completed by mid-May. The project will also include the replacement of air valves and upgrades to emergency interconnections. Complete restoration of areas disturbed by construction is expected by the fall.

The Company's contractor, Northeast Remsco, will be working in the area of Washington Road (from Sherwood Road to Latham Circle.) The project will involve sizable excavations on Sherwood Road, Burlington Road and Washington Road where some water mains are being relocated. Periodic road closures are also expected along Sherwood Road, Surrey Lane, Cambridge Drive, Camden Street, Burlington Road, Latham Circle, Warwick Road as well as Washington Road. Middlesex Water is working with Sayreville Borough officials to minimize inconvenience to customers during this project. Residents that will be significantly affected by this project are receiving individual notification with project details.

Middlesex Water's main replacement program is based on asset and risk management assessment and consequence of failure analyses. The Company regularly invests in its water distribution infrastructure to ensure a safe, reliable and plentiful water supply both now and in the future. To learn more about the main replacement project in the Borough of Sayreville, visit www.middlesexwater.com or call 800-549-3802.

## **About Middlesex Water**

Middlesex Water Company is observing its 120<sup>th</sup> year as a water provider in 2017. The Company provides regulated and unregulated water and wastewater utility services in New Jersey, Delaware and Pennsylvania through various subsidiary companies.

This release contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, including, among others, our long-term strategy and expectations, the status of our acquisition program, the impact of our acquisitions, the impact of current and projected rate requests and the impact of our capital program on our environmental compliance. There are important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements including: general economic business conditions, unfavorable weather conditions, the success of certain cost containment initiatives, changes in regulations or regulatory treatment, availability and the cost of capital, the success of growth initiatives and other factors discussed in our filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

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