

## **Middlesex Water Company Observes National Drinking Water Week Promotes Water Awareness with Week-long Calendar of Events**

**ISELIN, NEW JERSEY May 07, 2007** -- Middlesex Water Company (NASDAQ: MSEX), a provider of water, wastewater and related services in New Jersey and Delaware, is observing National Drinking Water Week, May 6-12, with a variety of events. National Drinking Water Week has been observed by the American Water Works Association for more than 30 years as a unique opportunity for water works professionals and the consumers they serve to join together to recognize the importance of safe drinking water in our daily lives.

Customers visiting Middlesex Water on Monday will receive free tips on wise water use and literature describing the treatment process.

On Tuesday, May 8, representatives will be participating in a Career Day at the E.J. Patten Elementary School in Perth Amboy. Company officials will be speaking with groups of young students about careers in the water industry.

On Wednesday, May 9, Middlesex will host its annual Drinking Water Week event for local health, regulatory and municipal officials and provide tours of its largest treatment plant in Edison, NJ. The event will also include a luncheon and an awards ceremony recognizing the winners of the Company's annual student poster contest which drew over 1,500 entries from area schools in Middlesex County. Students being honored are:

- **Daniel Abril**, Grade 4, Perth Amboy Catholic Intermediate School, Perth Amboy
- **Keerthana Annamaneni**, Grade 3, Warnsdorfer School, East Brunswick
- **Nora Bogart**, Grade 2, Sacred Heart School, South Plainfield
- **Conrad Jablonowski**, Grade 3, Nathan Hale School, Carteret
- **Marziya Khan**, Grade 2, Menlo Park Terrace #19, Woodbridge
- **Mayla Sahu**, Grade 5, Woodbrook Elementary School, Edison

Local educators in grades K-12 will receive classroom tips and curriculum guides on Thursday when Middlesex Water hosts Project WET: (Water Education for Teachers), at its corporate headquarters. Project WET is a hands-on, action packed award-winning workshop designed to promote awareness, appreciation, knowledge, and stewardship of water resources through the dissemination of classroom-ready teaching aids. Educators will learn by doing -- experiencing activities they can use to teach all kinds of water concepts including the water cycle, water properties and water prevention pollution. Middlesex Water is sponsoring the free workshop for which teachers will earn 6 NJDOE professional development credits.

Lastly, on Friday, Company representatives will join with officials from the City of Perth Amboy in celebrating Water Day at the City's Runyon Watershed and treatment facility in Old Bridge. The Company will host middle school students for a tour of the facility where they will learn about the history of the watershed, the water treatment process and wise water use.

"In 2006, Middlesex Water and its subsidiaries delivered more than 21 billion gallons of water to customers in New Jersey and Delaware. A plentiful and reliable supply of safe tap water is critical to our public health and safety and to the economic well-being of our communities," said Dennis W. Doll, President and CEO of Middlesex Water Company. "While we promote awareness year round to schools and organizations, we hope this week will help us demonstrate that everyone can play a valuable role in protecting our source waters from pollution, safeguarding our infrastructure and practicing water conservation," said Doll.

Middlesex Water Company provides speakers for organizations and visits area schools to inform students about wise water use and ways in which everyone can safeguard water supplies.

Middlesex Water Company, organized in 1897, serves customers in central and southern New Jersey and in the State of Delaware. The Company is engaged in the business of supplying water for domestic, commercial, industrial and fire protection purposes and in addition, provides wastewater collection and treatment services. For more information, visit the Company's website at [www.middlesexwater.com](http://www.middlesexwater.com).

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