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Aqua America Announces Acquisitions in Illinois and Virginia

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BRYN MAWR, Pa.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- Aqua America, Inc. (NYSE: WTR) announced today that its Illinois subsidiary has acquired three water systems and two wastewater systems and its Virginia subsidiary has acquired a water system. Aqua America has acquired a total of 15 water and wastewater systems to date in 2013.

Aqua Illinois acquired the Village of Sun River Terrace wastewater system in November for \$300,000. The system serves about 500 people in Kankakee County, and Aqua already owns and operates the water system that serves these customers. Aqua Illinois also acquired the water and wastewater systems of Woodlawn Utilities for a combined price of \$204,000. The systems serve about 240 people in Ogle County. Aqua Illinois acquired the Sheridan Grove water system for \$1,000. The system serves about 110 people in Winnebago County. Also in November, Aqua Illinois purchased the Nordic Woods water system for \$55,000. The system serves about 500 people in Ogle County.

Aqua Virginia acquired the water system assets of the St. Tammany Landing Property Owners Association, Inc. in December for \$28,000. The system serves 40 homes and has an additional 57 lots for future growth. St. Tammany Landing is located near Lake Gaston, where Aqua Virginia acquired the water system assets of Fox Run Water Co., Inc. and Moseley & Nash Enterprises, Inc. last year.

"Aqua's commitment to our growth-through-acquisition strategy results in a stronger utility that can better serve our customers," said Aqua America Chairman and CEO Nicholas DeBenedictis. "Aqua has the necessary technical expertise to operate water and wastewater systems effectively and efficiently. We also have the access to capital funds that can help us fix small-system problems and build a stronger infrastructure for communities throughout the states we serve."

Aqua America is one of the largest U.S.-based, publicly traded water utilities and serves almost 3 million residents in Pennsylvania, Ohio, North Carolina, Illinois, Texas, New Jersey, Indiana, Virginia, Florida and Georgia. Aqua America is listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the ticker symbol WTR. Visit <u>aquaamerica.com</u> for more information.

This release contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of The Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These forward-looking statements are made based upon Aqua America's current expectations and assumptions with respect to, among other things, its ability to successfully continue its growth-through-acquisition strategy. There are important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements, including its ability to successfully integrate the acquired properties into its existing operations and rates, its ability to recover capital expenditures in rates, its access to capital funds, and other key factors that we have indicated that could adversely affect our business and financial performance and that are discussed in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2012, which is on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission. For more information regarding risks and uncertainties associated with Aqua America's business, please refer to Aqua America's annual, quarterly and other SEC filings. Aqua America is not under any obligation — and expressly disclaims any such obligation — to update or alter its forward-looking statements whether as a result of new information, future events, or otherwise.

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