



Aqua America's Texas and Indiana Subsidiaries Acquire New Water and Wastewater Systems

BRYN MAWR, Pa., Jul 15, 2009 (BUSINESS WIRE) -- Aqua America, Inc. (NYSE:WTR) announced today that its operating subsidiaries in Texas and Indiana have collectively acquired three water and wastewater systems for \$260,000.

Aqua Texas, Inc. purchased the assets of the Spring Hill Water Company and Holiday Estates water system in two separate transactions totaling \$125,000. The Spring Hill Water Company, which Aqua has operated since 1998, serves nearly 500 residents in the Krum and Ponder areas of Denton County, Texas, located in the midst of a high-growth area known as the Alliance Corridor. Aqua also recently acquired the Holiday Estates water system, which serves more than 200 residents on Lake Tawakoni in Hunt County in eastern Texas. In the near term, Aqua plans to install new radio-frequency water meters for customers in both systems. Aqua Texas provides water and wastewater service to more than 175,000 people throughout the state.

Aqua Indiana, Inc. acquired Heir Industries, Inc., a wastewater utility providing service to approximately 300 residents near the Town of Borden in Clark County, Indiana for \$135,000. The system was first developed in 1972 to serve the Southern Hills Subdivision, and a new 40,000 gallon per day treatment facility was constructed in 1996, which has capacity to serve nearby planned residential developments. Aqua Indiana provides water and wastewater service to 110,000 people throughout the state.

"Aqua looks forward to serving our new Holiday Estates and Heir Industries customers, and continuing to serve our Spring Hill customers," said Aqua America Chairman and CEO Nicholas DeBenedictis. "Our business model is simple and effective: We grow our company through acquisition, building economies of scale that benefit current and new customers alike while making prudent investments to provide quality water and reliable water and wastewater service to our customers."

Aqua America is a publicly traded water and wastewater utility holding company with operating subsidiaries serving approximately three million people in Pennsylvania, New York, Ohio, North Carolina, Illinois, Texas, Florida, New Jersey, Indiana, Virginia, Maine, Missouri and South Carolina. Aqua America is listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the ticker symbol WTR.

This release contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of The Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 that address, among other things, the projected investment in the acquired system, the effect of the acquisition of the described business, and possible benefits from the acquired operations. There are important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements including: the risk that the acquired company's business will not be successfully integrated; the risk that the proposed improvements will not be made as projected or have the indicated benefits; the costs related to the transaction; the risk that anticipated benefits will not be obtained or will not be obtained within the time anticipated; and other key factors that we have indicated could adversely affect our business and financial performance contained in our past and future filings and reports, including those filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. 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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