

## Aqua Pennsylvania to Receive the Water Resource Association's Business and Industry Award

Aqua Pennsylvania, Inc.:

When: Wednesday, April 20, 2011

6:30 p.m.

What: Aqua Pennsylvania, Inc. (Aqua) Chairman Nick DeBenedictis accepts the Business & Industry Award from the Water

Resources Association of the Delaware River Basin (WRA) at its 29<sup>th</sup> Annual Recognition Dinner.

WRA highlighted several of the utility's accomplishments that resulted in its decision to award Aqua including the online publication of its first Sustainability Report; the installation of a one megawatt solar farm at its Ingram's Mill water treatment plant, which produces about 30 percent of the electricity needed to power the plant and feeds excess power into the grid on peak hours in the summer; its leadership position in replacing aging distribution system infrastructure, thereby reducing the impact of main breaks and water loss; the development of an award-winning Asset Information Management System to track its infrastructure and prioritize water main replacement; and the consistent reduction of its fuel usage and emissions over the last three consecutive years—most recently marked by a 10 percent reduction in average fuel usage.

Where: 150 S. Independence Hall West

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Aqua Pennsylvania serves approximately 1.4 million residents in 30 counties throughout Pennsylvania with more than one million in southeastern Pennsylvania.

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