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DON A. CHRISTIANSEN REGIONAL WATER TREATMENT PLANT RECOGNIZED NATIONALLY FOR OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE

CENTRAL UTAH WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT Celebrates 14 Consecutive Years of Excellence in Water Treatment

OREM, UTAH – 10 January 2017 – The American Water Works Association announces that the Central Utah Water Conservancy District's Don A. Christiansen Regional Water Treatment Plant has met the Partnership for Safe Water's stringent Phase IV Excellence in Water Treatment Award performance goals for 14 consecutive years. This milestone has only been reached by one other plant in the nation.

"I am very proud of our staff for the dedication and tenacity they demonstrate in maintaining water quality and preserving public health; they do it to a extremely high level each and every day, said David K. Hardy, Plant Manager. "Given that this plant serves up to 850,000 people in Utah and Salt Lake Counties, I can think of no other profession that safeguards the health of more people, on a daily basis, than the operators of water treatment plants."

Phase IV represents the highest possible level of performance that can be achieved in the four-phase Partnership for Safe Water program, and signifies fully optimized plant performance that produces water quality far surpassing required federal standards. Central Utah Water Conservancy District has participated in the Partnership for Safe Water program for nearly 20 years, and the Don A. Christiansen Regional Water Treatment Plant was only the second plant to receive the program's Phase IV Excellence in Water Treatment Award in 2003. The plant and its staff has maintained that level of performance on a continuous basis ever since.

"Maintaining the Partnership for Safe Water's Phase IV Excellence in Water Treatment Award level of performance for 14 consecutive years highlights an ongoing commitment to water quality by the entire utility staff. It's a very significant achievement, and a key aspect of our ongoing efforts to optimize operations," said Gene Shawcroft, General Manager. "Ensuring public health protection by improving the quality of the water delivered to our customers remains a steadfast goal that we continuously strive to meet and exceed."

The Partnership for Safe Water is a self-assessment program for water treatment plant and distribution system optimization. More than 250 utilities from around the nation, collectively serving more than 100 million people, commit to the Partnership's goals of providing safe, high-quality drinking water by achieving operational excellence in water treatment or distribution. Partnership utility subscribers participate in a rigorous four-phase self-assessment and peer review process, developed by water utility optimization experts, and achieve recognition for their commitment to the delivery of safe water for their communities.

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