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# News Release

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### **Stoughton Utilities encourages “getting to know your H<sub>2</sub>O” during Drinking Water Week 2013**

The City of Stoughton and its publicly owned water utility kicked off Drinking Water Week 2013 by asking the question: “What do you know about H<sub>2</sub>O?”

Throughout this year’s Drinking Water Week, which occurs annually during the first full week in May, Stoughton Utilities, the American Water Works Association (AWWA), and its partners will celebrate water by recognizing the essential role it plays in our daily lives, with special attention on the ways in which all water consumers can get to know their drinking water system.

“Drinking Water Week is an opportunity to focus on the importance of water, which is too easily overlooked,” said Stoughton Utilities Director Robert Kardasz. “There is nothing more essential to a community’s health and vitality than reliable access to safe drinking water.”

“In addition to keeping us healthy and hydrated, water also supports the economy and local industries, as well as prevents and fights fires,” Kardasz continued. “Drinking Water Week provides an excellent moment to focus for a moment on the importance of caring for our water supplies and systems.”

To commemorate the occasion, water utilities, environmental advocates and others across the country will celebrate drinking water through school events, public presentations and community festivals. They will also provide their communities with important tips for protecting water quality within our own homes and learning more about how drinking water is regulated and delivered.

For more than 35 years, Stoughton Utilities, the AWWA, and publicly owned water utilities across the country have celebrated Drinking Water Week – a unique opportunity for both water professionals and the communities they serve to join together to recognize the vital role water plays in our daily lives.

“Tap water is such an integral part of our daily lives that we sometimes don’t notice its immeasurable value,” said Kardasz. “Only tap water delivers the high quality of life we enjoy.”

The Stoughton Water Utility was founded in 1886 and has been providing the City of Stoughton with clean, safe drinking water for one hundred and twenty-seven years.

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