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## American Water Receives 18 National Awards for Excellence in Water Quality

*Company demonstrates outstanding commitment to delivering superior quality drinking water to customers*

VOORHEES, N.J.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- [American Water](#) Works Company, Inc. (NYSE: AWK), the largest publicly traded U.S. water and wastewater utility company, is proud to announce the achievement of 18 [Partnership for Safe Water](#) awards. The awards, which honor the efforts in continuously optimizing treatment plant and distribution system operation and performance, were presented during the 2017 [American Water Works Association](#) Annual Conference in Philadelphia, Pa. today.

"We hold ourselves to the highest standards in delivering clean, safe, high-quality drinking water to our customers while also ensuring that the water service is reliable and affordable," said Susan Story, President and Chief Executive Officer. "Having our facilities recognized by the Partnership for Safe Water for going above and beyond EPA water quality standards is very meaningful accomplishment for us. This recognition is a significant achievement in our ongoing efforts to not only meet stringent performance goals but also deliver the high-quality service that our customers have come to expect."

As a member of the Partnership for Safe Water, American Water demonstrates its commitment to improve the [quality of drinking water](#) delivered to customers by optimizing its system operations. In American Water's footprint, one system received an award for its Distribution Program, one plant received an award for maintaining Phase III certification for five years, one plant received recognition for maintaining Phase III certification for 10 years and 15 plants were presented with the Phase III Directors Award status for 15 years.

Nationally, just over 400 surface water treatment plants are part of U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Partnership for Safe Water Program, a voluntary effort that is designed to increase protection against microbial contamination through treatment optimization.

"We are extremely proud that American Water accounts for about 20 percent of the participating plants, and has received more Partnership for Safe Water awards than any other utility nationwide," noted Story. "Our team of more than 6,800 professionals works hard in many ways to deliver clean water for life that is also safe, reliable, and affordable, because our customers deserve nothing less."

**Pennsylvania American Water's** West Shore Regional Water Treatment Plant was recognized for maintaining the Phase III Directors Award status for five years. With a total of 68 surface water treatment plants recognized, American Water accounts for about one-third of all plants that have received the Five-Year Phase III award nationwide.

**West Virginia American Water's** New River Water Treatment Plant was recognized for maintaining the Phase III Directors Award status for ten years.

The following American Water treatment plants were recognized for maintaining the Phase III Directors Award status for 15 years:

### Illinois American Water

- | Granite City Water Treatment Plant

### Indiana American Water

- | Borman Park Water Treatment Facility
- | Kokomo Water Treatment Plant
- | Middle Fork Water Treatment Plant
- | Ogden Dunes Water Treatment Plant
- | Richmond Main Station Plant

## Missouri American Water

- | Central Plant (County Water)
- | Joplin Blendville Water Treatment Facility
- | Meramec Plant
- | North Plant (County Water)
- | South Plant (County Water)

## New Jersey American Water

- | Canal Road Water Treatment Plant

## West Virginia American Water

- | Bluestone Water Treatment Plant
- | Gassaway Water Treatment Plant
- | Weston Water Treatment Plant

In addition, American Water's [Military Services Group](#) was recognized with a Phase III Directors Award for Distribution for the water distribution systems it manages for Fort Polk in Leesville, La.

"We're tremendously proud of our Fort Polk team for their unwavering efforts to deliver superior quality drinking water to the servicemen and -women at this base," said Military Services Group President Todd Duerr. "The Partnership for Safe Water Directors Award is a difficult-to-achieve, well-deserved honor, and is another example of American Water demonstrating to the government how safe, compliant and reliable water operations are implemented through Utilities Privatization."

With a history dating back to 1886, American Water is the largest and most geographically diverse U.S. publicly-traded water and wastewater utility company. The company employs more than 6,800 dedicated professionals who provide regulated and market-based drinking water, wastewater and other related services to an estimated 15 million people in 47 states and Ontario, Canada. More information can be found by visiting [www.amwater.com](http://www.amwater.com).

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