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## **PENNSYLVANIA AMERICAN WATER WARNS CENTRE AND CLEARFIELD COUNTY CUSTOMERS OF POTENTIAL UTILITY IMPOSTERS**

**PHILIPSBURG, Pa. (Dec. 12, 2017)** – Based on recent events, Pennsylvania American Water is alerting Centre and Clearfield County customers to be aware of individuals posing as utility employees. These imposters are utilizing various tactics in an attempt to either gain entry into unsuspecting customers' homes.

Earlier this week, individuals approached several Snyder Township residents under the guise of providing water sampling to gain entry to their homes.

“We are currently not conducting any in home sampling,” said Jane Moore, Pennsylvania American Water’s Philipsburg District Supervisor. “We remind our customers to be vigilant in confirming the identity of utility workers by utilizing a few simple steps.”

Legitimate Pennsylvania American Water employees typically do not need to gain access to a customer’s homes, unless there is a rare emergency. If access is required, the company will contact the customer by phone and schedule an appointment in advance. In addition, all service personnel are required to have photo identification with the company’s logo prominently displayed. Customers are encouraged to request and examine the photo identification badge if an individual approaches their home. If customers suspect someone may be a utility imposter, they are urged to call 911.

Pennsylvania American Water, a subsidiary of American Water (NYSE: AWK), is the largest water utility in the state, providing high-quality and reliable water and/or wastewater services to approximately 2.3 million people. Founded in 1886, American Water is the largest publicly traded U.S. water and wastewater utility company. Marking its 130th anniversary this year, the company employs more than 6,700 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 at [www.amwater.com](http://www.amwater.com).

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