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Aquarion Announces 2013 Awards for Environmental Excellence Program

BRIDGEPORT, CONN. – February 14, 2013 – The Aquarion Water Company is seeking adults, students, small and large businesses, and non-profits, who have voluntarily spearheaded projects that have protected or improved Connecticut’s natural resources – its air, water, soils or plant and wildlife communities.

For the third year, the company will name winners of its Aquarion Environmental Champion Awards in five categories: Adult, Youth, Small Business, Large Business and Non-Profit Organization. Nominations can be made for efforts to protect or improve Connecticut’s natural resources.

“Many of the most outstanding environmental projects these days are conceived and run by volunteers,” says Charles V. Firlolette, President and CEO of Aquarion Water Company. “The results benefit people across Connecticut and beyond, in terms of water quality, wildlife habitat, local food sources, outdoor recreation and many other goals. We’re delighted to be honoring the people, companies and non-profit organizations behind these efforts.”

Aquarion will honor winners on June 8 at a major event to be held at Connecticut’s Beardsley Zoo in Bridgeport. Participating in the awards ceremony will be U.S. Senator Richard Blumenthal; Daniel Esty, Commissioner of the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection; and John DeAugustine, Group Publisher for Hearst Media Services of Connecticut. Awards will include a $1000 savings bond for the student winner and $2500 contributions to environmental non-profit organizations selected by the other winners.

The deadline for nominations is May 8. Self-nominations and renominations are welcome. More information concerning the awards and nomination forms are available at www.aquarionwater.com and www.facebook.com/aquarionwater.
About Aquarion Water Company:

Aquarion Water Company is the public water supply company for more than 625,000 people in 47 cities and towns throughout Connecticut, as well as serving customers in Massachusetts and New Hampshire. It is the largest investor-owned water utility in New England and among the seven largest in the U.S. Based in Bridgeport, Conn., it has been in the public water supply business since 1857. Across its operations, Aquarion strives to act as a responsible steward of the environment and to assist the communities it serves in promoting sustainable practices.

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