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COMMITTEE ON MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS

Mr. David St. Pierre, Executive Director

Report on National Association of Clean Water Agencies (NACWA) Peak Performance Awards for 2013

Dear Sir:

The National Association of Clean Water Agencies (NACWA) annually awards Peak Performance Awards to publicly owned treatment plants that comply with their National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permits at the silver, gold and platinum levels. The silver award equates to no more than five annual effluent violations; the gold award equates to zero annual effluent violations; and the platinum award equates to zero annual effluent violations for at least five years.

Once again, the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago (District) recently received these awards for 2013, improving the overall performance of its water reclamation plants (WRPs) from 2012. The following WRPs received Platinum awards:

- Calumet WRP - 22 consecutive years with no effluent violations
- Lemont WRP - 17 consecutive years with no effluent violations
- James C. Kirie WRP - 9 consecutive years with no effluent violations
- Terrence J. O'Brien WRP - 8 consecutive years with no effluent violations
- Hanover Park WRP - 6 consecutive years with no effluent violations

In addition, the Stickney and John E. Egan WRPs were awarded the silver award.

Dedicated plant staff always strive to operate and improve the WRPs to achieve the highest performance

possible in order to maintain our area waterways at the highest level of environmental quality.

Respectfully Submitted, Manju Prakash Sharma, Director of Maintenance and Operations, SES:SO'C