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## ECWA RELEASES 2015 ANNUAL WATER QUALITY REPORT Report shows water provided by ECWA meets or exceeds regulatory standards

Buffalo, New York - The Erie County Water Authority (ECWA) is pleased to announce the release of its 2015 Annual Water Quality Report (AWQR). This report fulfills the United States Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) requirement for public water suppliers to annually prepare and deliver a consumer confidence report.

ECWA Chairman Earl L. Jann Jr. and Director of Water Quality Paul Whittam are extremely proud of the results of this year's Water Quality Report.

"This is a product of the hard work put in by our team of dedicated professionals, working around-the-clock, to ensure our customers continue to receive the affordable, high quality water they deserve," Jann said.

The ECWA conducts comprehensive water quality testing to confirm all federal and state drinking water regulations are met. "Our facilities use state-of-the art technology and equipment designed to test our water 24 hours a day, 365 days a year," Whittam said.

New York State has among the highest standards for drinking water in the country, often exceeding the national requirements set by EPA for some regulated contaminants.

"The State Health Department's requirements are frequently much more stringent than the EPA's," Whittam said. "For this reason, our customers can be confident that we are providing them with safe, high quality drinking water."

Customers should visit <u>www.ecwa.org</u> and click on the link to the <u>2015 Annual Water</u> Quality Report to view or download a copy of ECWA's current water quality report.

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