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(Your Organization Name) Recognized for a [insert type of award - i.e. Gold, Silver or Platinum] *Excellence in Management Recognition Program Award*

(Your Organization’s Full Name) received a [insert type of award - i.e. Gold, Silver or Platinum] *Excellence in Management Recognition* award from the National Association of Clean Water Agencies (NACWA), during a ceremony at NACWA’s 2015 Utility Leadership Conference & 45th Anniversary Annual Meeting, which was held on July 14, 2015, in Providence, Rhode Island.

The *Excellence in Management Recognition Program* recognizes public clean water that have implemented and sustained, successful programs that address the range of management challenges faced by public clean water utilities in today’s competitive environment. NACWA is committed to clean water and a healthy environment and strives to help ensure that member agencies have the tools they need to meet these objectives. (Your Organization’s Name) fulfills this commitment to clean water through its significant efforts over the past several years to maximize efficiency during an era of rising costs and ever expanding water quality challenges.

(Provide paragraph outlining your organization’s efforts as outlined in the *Excellence in Management Recognition Program* application.)

“The (Your Organization’s Name)truly embodies the spirit of the *Excellence in Management Recognition Program*. It is an honor and an inspiration to showcase the achievements and commitment of this utility and those of our nation to America’s Waters,” Ken Kirk, NACWA’s Chief Executive Officer.

For more information on (Your Organization’s Name) water quality efforts, contact (spokesperson’s name and phone number), or visit us at (Your Organization’s website).