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MSD and Water Works Featured in National Jobs Economic Report Cincinnati Utilities leading the way in Build America Investments

Cincinnati, OH – A new national jobs economic report showcases the Metropolitan Sewer District of Greater Cincinnati's (MSDGC) and Greater Cincinnati Water Works' (GCWW) efforts in the rebuilding of America's water infrastructure. "The National Economic & Labor Impacts of the Water Utility Sector" is a national study conducted by the Water Research Foundation and Water Environment Research Foundation to highlight the critical role water infrastructure projects play in the American economy and the Build America Investment Initiative.

The Departments of Water and Sewers Executive Director Tony Parrott is among water sector leaders in Washington, DC showcasing Cincinnati's efforts during the national release on Capitol Hill today. Later in the afternoon, Parrott is invited to participate in the Build America Investment Initiative, a White House Presidential roundtable to increase infrastructure investment and economic growth and to expand and increase private investment and collaboration in the water industry.

"I am honored to share Cincinnati's strategies on the rebuilding of our water infrastructure," said Parrott. "As I look at the overall economic impact of the water/wastewater utilities and the investments we are making, across the country water utilities are spending billions and billions of dollars and creating several hundred thousand jobs annually over the next 20 years. How do we make these investments in such a manner that brings value to the communities that we serve through job creation, community revitalization, economic prosperity and small business inclusion?"

The water industry is rising to the challenge. According to new research from the Water Research Foundation and the Water Environment Research Foundation, 30 of the large utilities from around the country will invest \$233 billion over the next decade and generate more than half a trillion dollars in U.S. economic output.

According to the study, the utilities are responsible for 36,500 high-quality, direct jobs that help workers enter the middle class and further grow American competitiveness. More than 289,000 permanent jobs will be supported annually over the next decade.

Visit us at www.msdcg.org or www.cincinnati-oh.gov/water/ to view the report. A national Water Works! press release and video are also being issued today and are available on both websites.

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