



## TWW Will Hold Public Forums to Inform Residents About Its Operations

Trenton, N.J. — Residents who want to learn more about their drinking water and the ongoing reorganization of the 200-year-old Trenton Water Works are invited to attend five **H2Open Forums** in the City of Trenton, Hamilton Township, Ewing Township, Hopewell Township and Lawrence Township. Parking is available at all forum sites.

“With the critical support of Mayor W. Reed Gusciora, our reorganization plan is on track, and we have made significant progress in improving operations, finalizing our \$405-million-dollar capital plan, and expanding our workforce,” said Steven J. Picco, Acting Director of the city’s Department of Water and Sewer, which operates Trenton Water Works. “But much work and challenges remain—a reality that I would like to share with our customers and residents to help them better understand our decision-making and execution.”

The two-hour **H2Open Forums** are an opportunity for attendees—residents, customers, and public officials—to ask questions about their drinking water and water-utility infrastructure and get information directly from the TWW team. The Q&A session, which lasts an hour and a half, features TWW leaders like Acting Director **Steven J. Picco** providing information on TWW’s six-year, \$405-million-dollar capital plan. Topics of discussion include our \$150-million **Lead Service Line Replacement Program** and corrosion-control project; compliance with state Administrative Consent Orders (ACO); labor-force expansion; and TWW’s proposal to raise rates and fees.

The **City of Trenton’s** H2Open Forum will take place on Monday, December 30, from 7-9 p.m. at City Hall, 319 East State Street. **Hamilton Township’s** forum is scheduled for Thursday, January 9, from 7-9 p.m. at Hamilton High West, 2720 S. Clinton Avenue. **Ewing Township’s** H2Open Forum will be held on Tuesday, January 14, from 7-9 p.m. at Ewing Senior Community Center, 999 Lower Ferry Road. **Hopewell Township’s** outreach event will take place on Tuesday, January 21, from 7-9 p.m., at Stony Brook Elementary School, 20 Stephenson Road in Pennington. And, residents of **Lawrence Township** can attend their forum on Wednesday, January 22, from 7-9 p.m. at Lawrence Senior Center, 30 Darrah Lane East.

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**H2Open** is an outreach initiative to keep communities informed about all the ways TWW is working to provide businesses and residents in our service area with the safest drinking water in the United States. Through H2Open, TWW representatives will come to you – speaking to gatherings of residents or employees during the day, evening or on the weekend about our operations and capital improvements. It's one of several ways TWW is strengthening transparency, trust and community relations. To schedule an H2Open visit for your group, call **(609) 989-3033**.

***Trenton Water Works** is among the largest publicly owned, urban water utilities in the United States. It supplies an average of 27 million gallons of Delaware River-sourced drinking water per day to 63,000 metered customers. It services more than 200,000 people in Trenton, parts of Hamilton Township, Ewing Township, Lawrence Township and Hopewell Township in Mercer County, New Jersey. Established more than 200 years ago, TWW operates a 60-million-gallon water-filtration plant and water-distribution system that includes a 100-million-gallon reservoir. TWW's system has 683 miles of water mains varying in size from 4 to 48 inches in diameter, three pump stations, and six interconnections between TWW and other water suppliers.*

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