## West Virginia American Water Announces Infrastructure Upgrade Project on Charleston's East End

Charleston, W.Va., (Aug. 29, 2024) – West Virginia American Water announced today an infrastructure initiative to replace approximately 630 feet of water main on Charleston's East End. The company will invest more than \$315,000 in system improvements in this area of the city.

"I am grateful for the investment West Virginia American Water is making in our community," said Mary Beth Hoover, councilwoman for Charleston's 9th Ward. "The upgrades will provide a more resilient water infrastructure, better meeting the needs of residents while also improving emergency preparedness."

This project, which started August 12, includes replacing the aging 6-inch and 2-inch water main with new PVC pipe. Construction will take place along Quarrier Street from Elizabeth Street to Ruffner Avenue. These upgrades will help improve water service reliability and increase water flows for household use and firefighting.

Crews will work Monday through Friday between 7:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Traffic restrictions will be in place during construction. The company expects to complete the water main installation, connect all customer service lines to the new main and finish street restoration and paving by early October.

These infrastructure upgrade projects are an important investment in public health and safety, and they also help support the economic health of the communities served by West Virginia American Water. Economic impact studies show that for every \$1 million invested in water infrastructure, upwards of 15 jobs are generated throughout local economies.

Over the past decade, West Virginia American Water has invested over \$736 million, in infrastructure projects and capital upgrades to address aging infrastructure across the Mountain State, including more than 168 miles of new water main. To learn more about our ongoing investment in infrastructure, visit the company's interactive upgrade map.

During construction, customers may experience temporary service interruptions, discolored water, and/or lower than normal water pressure. Crews will work as quickly as possible to shorten the length of these temporary inconveniences. To report water related emergencies such as

leaks, main breaks or other service disruptions, <u>customers can submit a</u> <u>service request on the company's website.</u>

## About American Water

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About West Virginia American Water

West Virginia American Water, a subsidiary of American Water, is the largest regulated water utility in the state, providing high-quality and reliable water services to approximately 600,000 people.

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