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Tennessee American Water Celebrates 50 Years of the Safe Drinking Water Act

[Chattanooga, TN] – DECEMBER 16, 2024 – Tennessee American Water, a subsidiary of American Water (NYSE: AWK), the largest regulated water and wastewater utility company in the U.S., is proud to join the water industry in celebrating the 50th anniversary of the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA), the landmark law that has safeguarded public health by protecting drinking water quality since its passage on December 16, 1974.

“We're proud to celebrate and recognize the 50th anniversary of the Safe Drinking Water Act," said vice president of operations for Tennessee American Water Grady Stout. "The SDWA underlines the importance of water quality, a value we share in providing reliable and clean water service to our customers."

Tennessee American Water recognizes the SDWA's 50-year impact on water quality and emphasizes the need for continued investment to address emerging challenges in water safety and quality. During the 10-year period from 2014 through 2023, the company invested over $230 million to help improve quality and reliability. This investment aligns with the spirit of the Safe Drinking Water Act and its mission to safeguard public health for American Water customers and communities across the nation.

American Water launched a 50-day countdown to the SDWA anniversary. View the highlights here.

Tennessee American Water customers can view annual Water Quality Reports by zip code here.

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