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**Drinking Water Section** 

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Mr. Norman Dickson, President Chadwick Homeowners Association, Inc. 24 Chadwick Drive Old Lyme, CT 06371

RE:

2017 Small Community Public Health Drinking Water Merit Award

Dear Mr. Dickson:

Congratulations! The Chadwick Homeowners Association, Inc. has been chosen by the Connecticut Department of Public Health (CTDPH) to receive the 2017 Small Community Public Health Drinking Water Merit Award. This award is given during National Drinking Water Week to recognize small community public water systems serving less than 10,000 people that have made outstanding contributions to the field of drinking water in the area of water operations and administration.

This award recognizes the performance of a public water system serving less than 10,000 individuals. Award recipients are recognized for working to address issues in a proactive manner, recognizing the need to maintain and improve the water quality and quantity of their water system, and upholding public health as their number one priority.

Chadwick Homeowners Association, Inc.is receiving this award in recognition of the scope of work done to the public water system through the Association, which understood the need to reinvest in the aging infrastructure to ensure a safe and adequate supply of potable water. We acknowledge the following projects, including but not limited to:

## A. New Above Grade Pump House

- Commitment
  - The volunteer association board members committed to building a brand new, above grade pump house with new atmospheric storage.



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- Investment
  - Due to an inadequate potassium hydroxide treatment system, which treated only
    two of three active wells, the association invested in a new chemical feed system.
    The project included new constant pressure pumps and new water system control
    panels.
- o Extra Effort
  - In an effort to reduce costs, the board did some of the work themselves such as site clearing, and building the structure to house the new water system.
- o Close Working Relationship
  - The association worked closely with their consultant, LaFramboise Water Services, Inc. during construction to ensure the long term viability of the system.

## B. Installation of a New Emergency Generator

- o Resiliency Investment
  - The association invested in an emergency generator in order to provide system redundancy.

Overall, the Chadwick Homeowners Association, Inc. took the responsibility upon themselves to make necessary upgrades to ensure long term viability, and was able to fund these projects completely themselves through a successful financial and managerial capacity plan. The Chadwick Homeowners Association, Inc. new pump house creates a much safer environment for water system operations by eliminating risks with confined spaces, as well as, outdated chemical and electrical systems.

Your leadership and commitment toward your public water system has resulted in improved system operation, water quality, water quantity, and protection of public health.

We look forward to presenting you with your award at a ceremony in your community.

Should you have any questions, please contact Richard Iozzo of the DPH Drinking Water Section at (860) 509-7333 or via email at <a href="mailto:richard.iozzo@ct.gov">richard.iozzo@ct.gov</a>

Thank you for all that you do to protect public health and ensure the safety of public drinking water in Connecticut.

Sincerely.

Raul Pino, MD, MPH Commissioner

Cc: Mr. Stephen Mansfield, Director of Health, Ledge Light Health District

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