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Spartanburg Water's Daniel Stacy Receives FOG Leader of the Year Award

The Blue Ridge Foot Hills District of WEASC presented the annual award

SPARTANBURG - Daniel Stacy, Spartanburg Water Grease Control Technician, recently received the FOG Leader of the Year Award from the Blue Ridge Foot Hills District of the Water Environmental Association of South Carolina (WEASC). Stacy was recognized for his contribution to the protection of the environment directly related to Fats, Oils, and Grease (FOG) contamination. FOG, when mixed with other materials, causes line blockages that may cause overflows in sewer systems.

Stacy is solely responsible for the inspection of 600-plus grease traps in the Spartanburg Sanitary Sewer District. In the past year, Daniel has led improvements in the systems with his attention to detail and his insistence of compliance from those customers. He has driven the effort for food service establishments (FSE) to replace, increase frequency of pumping, and to comply with security and surveillance requirements around grease traps. While taking this initiative, Daniel understands the impact FOG has on the collection system and presses forward to reduce FOG-related sewer overflows and other collection system issues.

"Although relatively new to his position, Daniel has completed in excess of 619 Food Service Establishment (FSE) inspections in a five month period. He uses tact and a good understanding of the regulations to convey proper information to FSE management protecting our collection system, while maintaining great relationships with our FSE partners," said Lance Johnson, Wastewater Treatment Superintendent with Spartanburg Water.

The Blue Ridge Foothills District is one of 10 regional districts of the Water Environment Association of South Carolina (WEASC). The district includes Spartanburg, Greenville, Pickens, Oconee and Anderson counties. Annually, members are selected for outstanding service in categories as defined by the WEASC. These individuals are now eligible to receive awards from the corresponding state organization in March.

ABOUT SPARTANBURG WATER: Spartanburg Water, an industry-leading utility, is comprised of Spartanburg Water System and Spartanburg Sanitary Sewer District. It serves a population of more than 200,000 within Spartanburg County, as well as others in parts of Greenville, Union and Cherokee



counties. With the help of its dedicated team of about 300 employees, each day it produces an average of 25 million gallons of drinking water and cleans 12 million gallons of wastewater for its customers and community. For more information on Spartanburg Water's water quality efforts, visit us at www.spartanburgwater.org.

ABOUT THE WATER ENVIRONMENT ASSOCIATION OF SOUTH CAROLINA (WEASC): WEASC serves more than 3,000 members across 10 districts throughout South Carolina. It is affiliated with the Water Environment Federation (WEF), which is composed of affiliates and members throughout the world. Its purpose is to serve those whose vocation is the promotion, protection and preservation of the water environment. And, by extension, to serve all those who enjoy the waters of South Carolina for recreation or refreshment.

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