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Long Beach Water to Receive Highest Award for Competitiveness Achievement

WASHINGTON DC – The Long Beach Water Department will be presented the Gold Award for Competitiveness Achievement at the October annual meeting of the [Association of Metropolitan Water Agencies \(AMWA\)](#), according to AMWA officials. The Gold Award for Competitiveness Achievement recognizes large public drinking water systems whose management practices chart innovative and sound financial courses, seek new business opportunities and meet the ever-important array of customer service needs and expectations.

Based in Washington D.C., AMWA is a national organization of the largest publicly owned drinking water systems in the United States, whose membership serves more than 120 million Americans with drinking water from Alaska to Puerto Rico. The award will be presented on Thursday, October 17, in Charleston, South Carolina. [Kevin Wattier](#), General Manager of the Long Beach Water Department will accept the award.

“High-quality management practices are key to meeting the range of competitive challenges facing the industry. To recognize the achievement of top water utility managers, AMWA annually presents Gold Awards for Competitiveness Achievement,” according to a statement on AMWA’s website. “Benchmarking, competitiveness strategy and competitiveness improvement initiatives are among the factors assessed in the awards process. In addition to the distinctive trophies presented to winners, the awards provide both peer recognition and acknowledgement in local and industry media for significant management accomplishments.”

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