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UNITED WATER URGES CONSERVATION FOR CITY OF RYE AND VILLAGES OF RYE BROOK AND PORT CHESTER

WEST NYACK, NY, November 20, 2007 — United Water officials announced today that the Greenwich Reservoir System that supplies water to a majority of customers in Rye, Rye Brook and Port Chester has recently reached the Water Supply Advisory level. Currently, the system is at about 28% of storage capacity, which is approximately 50% lower than normal for this time of year. As a result, customers are urged to voluntarily curb unnecessary water use during this time.

According to Michael J. Pointing, vice president and general manager of United Water, that means customers should stop using water for nonessential activities such as watering lawns and washing cars and irrigation systems should be winterized. "We have experienced an unusually dry summer and early fall. Each person can do his or her part to help conserve," Pointing said.

In addition, company officials request that municipalities and fire departments use fire hydrants only for fighting fires. "Firefighters should practice using 'dry drill' methods until the reservoir system returns to healthier levels," Pointing said "and municipal employees shouldn't use fire hydrants to water down ball fields or other areas."

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Customers can also help to conserve water by installing water-saving devices. “Using water wisely not only helps save water, but it helps to reduce water bills by up to 25%,” Pointing said. For more information or to learn how to purchase a home conservation kit, please visit our conservation website at www.uwconserve.com.

ABOUT UNITED WATER

United Water Westchester, previously known as Aquarion Water Company of New York, was acquired by United Water on April 30, 2007. United Water is now the water supply company for 12,000 homes and businesses, or 44,000 people, in the City of Rye and the villages of Rye Brook and Port Chester. Our sister company, United Water New Rochelle, provides top quality drinking water to over 150,000 people in 11 additional Westchester communities.

Customers may receive more information by contacting United Water at 877.266.9101, by e-mail at uwwccustomerservice@unitedwater.com or by visiting the company’s website at www.unitedwater.com.