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BGMU RECEIVES “KENTUCKY PLANT OF THE YEAR” AWARD

Bowling Green, KY, July 22, 2009 — BGMU’s Water Treatment Plant (WTP) Chief Operator, Terry Hendrick, recently received the “Outstanding Operator” award from the Kentucky/Tennessee American Water Works Association (AWWA). The award recognizes members of the AWWA in good standing with 10 years or more of professional involvement in the water or wastewater industry who have demonstrated a commitment and the technical progression of operation, maintenance and water quality.

BGMU’s Water Treatment Plant also received “Kentucky Plant of the Year” honors from the Kentucky/Tennessee AWWA. This award is given annually to a large system greater than 10 million gallons per day that exhibits the highest level of operational expertise, water quality and regulatory compliance.

BGMU’s Water Treatment Plant was built in 1928 and received renovations in 1938, 1966, 1978, 1986 and 2006. All renovations increased the capability of providing water to a growing community. The plant draws water from the Barren River. The plant treats an average of 16 million gallons per day, and currently has a capacity of 30 million gallons per day. The distribution system stores 14 million gallons in storage tanks and reservoirs.

Fifteen employees operate and maintain the Water Treatment Plant. All plant operators are certified by the State Division of Water in the water treatment field. Along with this award, the plant has received multiple awards for operations excellence.

“We’re very pleased to be recognized with this award,” said Mark Iverson, General Manager of BGMU. “This is another reflection of our employees and the outstanding job they do on a daily basis.”

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