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Jackson Energy Authority Receives Governor's Commendation For Exceptional Public Service

MURFREESBORO, TN/JACKSON, TN. – The Jackson Energy Authority was presented a Governor's Commendation For Exceptional Public Service by the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation.

The presentation made by Deputy Governor, John Morgan, and TDEC Deputy Commissioner, Paul Sloan, came in recognition of water systems throughout West and Middle Tennessee who "worked tirelessly to keep their drinking and waste water systems on line" during the May 2010 floods.

Steve Raper, Sr. VP Water/Wastewater at the Jackson Energy Authority, said the Governor's recognition was appreciated and was a tribute to the work of JEA employees during those critical days.

"Our system's ability to continue operation or to correct problems in as rapid and safe a manner as possible is a reflection of the engineering design and committed response of all our system employees," Raper stated.

In presenting the Governor's Commendation TDEC Deputy Commissioner, Paul Sloan, stated, "Water systems throughout West and Middle Tennessee worked around the clock to overcome extraordinary challenges and provide clean drinking water to Tennesseans during the unprecedented flood event in May. JEA worked tirelessly to repair a washed out water main to Medina and gave critical assistance to the town of Lexington. This dedicated response protected public health and helped to avert further disaster."

The Governor's Commendation was presented in Murfreesboro at the Fleming Training Center during a Department of Environment and Conservation during a review of how water systems responded to the May floods.

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