

## **News Release**

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## **Drinking Water Week 2014**

**Bristol, TN**---The City of Bristol Tennessee officially kicked off Drinking Water Week 2014 by asking the question "What do you know about your H<sub>2</sub>0?"

Throughout the week, the city will celebrate the value of water by learning about the critical role it plays in our daily lives and in the



quality of life we enjoy. Aligning with this year's theme, special attention will be given to the ways in which all water consumers can get to know their water. In the spring every city water consumer will receive a copy of a Consumer Confidence Report. This report goes into great details about where our water comes from, the purification process, etc. Make sure you take a moment when the report arrives in your mailbox to review its content.

The city participates in a sanitary survey conducted by the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation Division of Water Supply each year. The review is very comprehensive and includes an on-site inspection of the water plant, treatment operations, records, distribution, tanks, pumps, raw water intake and sampling along the distribution system.

A water system must have a minimum score of 90 in order to be recognized as an approved system. Bristol's score of 99 places the city among the highest rated water systems in the state. Bristol Tennessee's water system also supplies five utility districts in the area: Bristol/Bluff City, Intermont, Holston, South Bristol/Weaver Pike and Blountville.

"The city is very proud of the commitment to excellence displayed each day by our water system personnel. They recognize the critical role they play in the health and quality of life in our community," said Bill Sorah, City Manager.

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