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## **Aquarion Water Company Issues Mandatory Watering Ban**

*For Greenwich, Stamford, New Canaan, and Darien Customers*

BRIDGEPORT, Conn. – September 16, 2016 – Aquarion Water Company, working in cooperation with town and city officials in Greenwich, Stamford, New Canaan, and Darien, is implementing a mandatory ban on the use of outdoor watering devices, including irrigation systems, sprinklers, soaker hoses, **and hand-held hoses**. This ban is effective immediately.

Aquarion will be reminding customers about the watering ban with automated phone calls. **Outdoor watering activities using a hand-held hose are now included in the mandatory watering ban.**

“We are telling our customers to turn off their irrigation systems and sprinklers for the season,” said Charles V. Firlotte, Aquarion President and CEO. “We are doing this to ensure that we have an adequate water supply for everyday use and fire protection.”

Connecticut’s drought level has recently been upgraded to a “severe drought” for most of the state due to an extended dry spell, according to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA). With below average rainfall and extremely high water demand, water levels in Aquarion’s reservoirs are continuing to decline.

Previously, customers had been asked to voluntarily conserve through notices and automated phone messages, but there has been no decrease in use.

Visit [www.aquarionwater.com/conserve](http://www.aquarionwater.com/conserve) for additional water conservation tips.

***About Aquarion Water Company:***

Aquarion Water Company is the public water supply company for more than 625,000 people in 51 cities and towns throughout Connecticut, as well as serving customers in Massachusetts and New Hampshire. It is the largest investor-owned water utility in New England and among the seven largest in the U.S. Based in Bridgeport, Conn., it has been in the public water supply business since 1857. Across its operations, Aquarion strives to act as a responsible steward of the environment and to assist the communities it serves in promoting sustainable practices.

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