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Niagara Falls Water Board Hires Global Engineering Firm AECOM to Review Recent Black Water Discharge

*Company will evaluate information and operational details surrounding
July 29th incident involving Lower Niagara River*

*Efforts expected to further analyze root cause of discharge as well as
identify follow-up testing and possible short/long-term responses to
eliminate possibility of repeat occurrence*

Niagara Falls, NY – The Niagara Falls Water Board today announced that it has retained the services of global engineering firm AECOM and Senior Project Manager Dr. John Goeddertz to review and analyze various details surrounding the July 29th black water discharge incident involving the Lower Niagara River.

“The Niagara Falls Water Board remains committed to ensuring that a discharge of this magnitude and impact never occurs again,” said Rolfe Porter, NFWB Executive Director. “After internally compiling numerous operational details related to the July 29th incident, we have also formally engaged AECOM, a firm with extensive global wastewater infrastructure experience, as the next step in our very sincere and thorough review of the incident.”

AECOM will determine the cause of the discharge incident by reviewing overall wastewater operational readings, equipment readings, summary reports and facility water quality monitoring findings in and around the incident date. The firm is also prepared to propose follow-up testing or evaluation, if necessary.

AECOM is a premier, fully integrated global infrastructure firm that designs, builds, finances and operates infrastructure assets for governments, businesses and organizations in more than 150 countries. More information about the firm can be found on AECOM’s website at www.AECOM.com.

The NFWB will continue to provide periodic public and ratepayer updates on this matter as information becomes available. Updates will be available on the NFWB’s website at www.NFWB.org.

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