

July 5, 2016

The Honorable Ernest Moniz
Secretary of Energy
1000 Independence Avenue SW
Washington, DC 20585

Dear Secretary Moniz:

On behalf of our organizations, the Association of Metropolitan Water Agencies (AMWA), the American Water Works Association (AWWA), the National Association of Clean Water Agencies (NACWA), the National Association of Water Companies (NAWC), the Water Environment Federation (WEF), the Water Environment and Reuse Foundation (WE&RF), and the Water Research Foundation (WRF), we would like to thank you for your insight in bringing forward the Energy Water Nexus Roundtable series last year, and the opportunity for our members and executive leadership to participate. We think this was exactly the right approach to bring together so many voices and perspectives interested in better understanding the critical relationship between the energy and water communities. To maintain momentum, we would like to meet with you to discuss how the water industry can best collaborate with the Department of Energy (DOE).

Collectively we represent over 85 percent of the population served by drinking water, wastewater and stormwater systems in the United States. The purpose of the meeting would be to present and explain with one voice the needs of the water community respecting all aspects of the energy water cycle including priority technology research, development, demonstration, and deployment activities. We would also like to explore opportunities for collaboration as DOE moves forward with assembling future year budgets. More specifically, we wish to discuss the needs and challenges of the water community in energy efficiency and recovery.

In order of preference, we would propose this meeting occur on September 7, August 26, August 8, 9 or 10. If these dates do not work for your schedule we would be open to meeting at another time that is more convenient for you. Please contact WRF representative Olivia Sanford, omsanford@msn.com, (202-547-5400) regarding this request. We look forward to joining you to share thoughts and explore opportunities for further dialogue.

Sincerely yours,

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