



American Water Named to the NAACP Equity, Inclusion and Empowerment Index

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VOORHEES, N.J.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Jul. 18, 2018-- American Water Works Company, Inc. (NYSE: AWK), the largest publicly traded U.S. water and wastewater utility company, announced today it has been named to the newly-launched NAACP Equity, Inclusion and Empowerment Index.

"We are extremely honored to be included in the inaugural NAACP Equity, Inclusion and Empowerment Index," said Susan Story, president and CEO of American Water. "American Water is a values-driven company, and our employees represent the communities we are privileged to serve. Every day our people take pride in delivering the critical services of water, sanitation, and fire protection to about 15 million Americans. Our 7,200 employees serve over 1,600 communities across the country, and we aspire to make every community better because we are there."

The NAACP Equity, Inclusion and Empowerment Index is a new tool created in partnership with Impact Shares and Morningstar to track and monitor indicators that assess racial equity and inclusion policies among U.S. corporations with a capitalization of \$2 billion or more.

The index is designed to help guide and inform companies in assessing and actively promoting racial and ethnic equity in every aspect of their business, operations and strategy; and to promote socially responsible investing in companies with a strong commitment to equity and diversity. Commitment is measured through policies, programs, performance, as well as social impact. Companies are judged not only based on their own workforces and boards of directors, but also on their supply chains and community interactions.

Earlier this year, American Water was named as one of the [100 Most Sustainable Companies by Barron's Magazine](#). The company was recently recognized by *The Philadelphia Inquirer* as one of the [top-ranked companies in the Philadelphia region](#) on diversity, governance, & transparency.

In 2017, American Water published its biennial [corporate responsibility](#) report that highlighted the value the company places on being a good corporate citizen.

About American Water

With a history dating back to 1886, American Water is the largest and most geographically diverse U.S. publicly traded water and wastewater utility company. The company employs more than 6,900 dedicated professionals who provide regulated and market-based drinking water, wastewater and other related services to an estimated 15 million people in 46 states and Ontario, Canada. American Water provides safe, clean, affordable and reliable water services to our customers to make sure we keep their lives flowing. For more information, visit [amwater.com](#) and follow American Water on [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#) and [LinkedIn](#).

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