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Statement of NYC Environmental Protection Commissioner Cas Holloway**On the Ratification of Contract Agreements with Stationary Engineers (Electric) and Senior Stationary Engineers (Electric); and Sewage Treatment Workers and Senior Sewage Treatment Workers**

"The contract settlements we agreed to last month with two unions representing maintenance and operations personnel have now been ratified overwhelmingly by union members. This step finally resolves the long-standing contract disputes that date back as far as 1995. It is a great day for DEP and its dedicated employees who keep this city running.

I would like to thank and congratulate our union partners: District Council 37's Director of Research and Negotiations Dennis Sullivan, Local 3 Business Representative Sean Fitzpatrick and Local 1320 President James Tucciarelli.

I would also like to thank all the employees covered in these agreements for their hard work over the years in making sure that DEP supplies, distributes and treats more than one billion gallons of water every day, and I look forward to working together with them to deliver on Mayor Bloomberg's PlaNYC vision for a sustainable city."

DEP manages the City's water supply, providing more than 1 billion gallons of water each day to more than 9 million residents, including 8 million in New York City, and residents of Ulster, Orange, Putnam and Westchester counties. New York City's water is delivered from a watershed that extends more than 125 miles from the City, and comprises 19 reservoirs, and three controlled lakes. Approximately 7,000 miles of water mains, tunnels and aqueducts bring water to homes and businesses throughout the five boroughs, and 7,400 miles of sewer lines take wastewater to 14 in-City treatment plants. DEP also manages storm water throughout the City, and ensures that the City's facilities comply with the Clean Water Act, and other federal, state and local rules and regulations.

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