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**AQUARION SPONSORS FISHING OUTINGS FOR STUDENTS**  
***Water Company and CARE Partner to Teach Kids Environmental Stewardship***

Bridgeport, CT: May 19, 2008 – Aquarion Water Company today announced it will sponsor an educational fishing outing along the Saugatuck Reservoir for students from Bridgeport’s Barnum School on Tuesday, May 27<sup>th</sup> from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Approximately 30 elementary school students will experience the fine, safe and ethical points of angling along the banks of the reservoir at 60 Newtown Turnpike in Redding, CT. The program will be coordinated and monitored by Fred Frillici, a long-time volunteer and certified instructor for the Connecticut Aquatic Resources Education (CARE) program.

A second CARE fishing outing to benefit students from Stratford’s Lordship Elementary School will occur on Wednesday, May 28<sup>th</sup> from 9 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

“Aquarion has long supported CARE and we have sponsored student fishing outings for many years. These programs support the state’s No Child Left Inside initiative which encourages youngsters to explore and respect the environment around them,” said Gary Haines, Aquarion’s manager of watershed and security.

The CARE program is comprised of free classes and outdoor workshops which help foster resource stewardship, promote an understanding of aquatic systems and fishery management decisions and encourage both an understanding and utilization of aquatic resources. CARE provides rods for the children to use and Frillici teaches students the important benefits of fishing and its impact on the water environment. Last year, Governor M. Jodi Rell recognized Frillici for introducing more than 3,000 students to the waters and fish of Connecticut.

*No Child Left Inside* was introduced in 2006 by Connecticut Governor M. Jodi Rell and is coordinated by the Department of Environmental Protection. Governor Rell has said that *No Child Left Inside* encourages young people to enjoy the outdoors, our forests, parks, beaches, and wildlife.

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*No Child Left Inside* is comprised of many programs including the key element, *The Great Park Pursuit*, *The Connecticut State Parks Family Adventure*, that allows families to experience different parks and forests and participate in a wide variety of outdoor activities each spring. Visit [www.nochildleftinside.org](http://www.nochildleftinside.org) for more information.

Aquarion Company's principal business is public water supply. Through its Aquarion Water Company subsidiaries, it is one of the 10 largest investor-owned water utilities in the U.S., serving some 207,000 homes and businesses, or approximately 700,000 people, in 44 Connecticut, Massachusetts and New Hampshire communities. Aquarion Water Company of Connecticut provides high-quality water to 179,000 customers, or some 600,000 people, in 36 cities and towns. Please visit [www.aquarionwater.com](http://www.aquarionwater.com) for more information.

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