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To the Editor,

This week, May 3-9, is National Drinking Water Week, a perfect time to let Aquarion Water Company's customers know they soon will receive our water quality report for 2008.

I'm proud to tell you that, once again, the report shows Aquarion Water Company continues to meet or exceed the stringent standards that state and federal health authorities have established for drinking water.

This ties in with the American Water Works Association's message for National Drinking Water Week: Tap water is "lean, clean and green."

Tap water helps keep you healthy (or lean) and hydrated, with zero calories. Aquarion employees ensure the water you receive in your homes meets high quality standards, and we monitor it constantly to be sure it's clean and safe for you to drink. And tap water can be called "green" in the environmental sense, because you don't have to buy it at the store in a plastic bottle that doesn't decompose.

In the United States alone, we consume about 40 billion gallons of tap water each day for drinking, cooking, cleaning, bathing and other routine uses. In fact, I could safely say Aquarion's water contributes to the overall quality of life we enjoy, because we know we have safe water for drinking, washing our clothes, watering our lawns, and using for a myriad of other purposes. And all that comes to you with just the turn of a handle.

So, as the warm weather approaches, reach for your kitchen faucet the next time you want a tall glass of refreshing, thirst-quenching water. And watch for our 2008 Water Quality Report next month — it contains a lot of good news and important information we'd like to share.

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