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CPTV to Premiere Part Two of MDC Documentary Water Works on Tuesday, Nov. 24 at 8 p.m.

— Showcasing the Water Life Cycle: Cleaning Wastewater for the Future —

HARTFORD, Conn. (November 19, 2015) – Each year significant rain events force millions of gallons of combined storm water and untreated sewage into Connecticut rivers and streams. An ambitious project now underway, however, will improve our wastewater treatment systems and significantly reduce those overflows. On Tuesday, Nov. 24 at 8 p.m., CPTV/Connecticut Public Television will premiere Part Two of the documentary series Water Works detailing the important effort that goes into treating wastewater and keeping untreated sewage out of fresh water sources.

In the film premiering Nov.24, Water Works – Part Two: The Water Life Cycle – Cleaning Wastewater for the Future, viewers will explore the history and science of wastewater treatment at the Metropolitan District (MDC), showcasing the "Clean Water Project" – a massive effort currently underway to upgrade and improve the Greater Hartford region’s sewer infrastructure. The film also tells the story of how the entire community has come together to recognize the investment we all must make in protecting this most precious of resources.

“Central Connecticut is blessed by its access to the Connecticut River but it is something that needs to be nurtured and protected,” said Jerry Franklin, president and CEO of the Connecticut Public Broadcasting Network, parent company of CPTV. “Water Works Part Two is entertaining and fascinating while also being a bit of a civics lesson on how a community can come together to do the right thing for our region’s future health and economic wellbeing.”

“We are honored to once again partner with CPTV to tell the full story of what the MDC is doing to protect our water delivery system that was so spectacularly portrayed in Part One of the documentary series,” stated MDC Chair William DiBella. “The documentary is not only a tribute to the foresight, ingenuity and hard work of those who built and maintained the system over the years, but also the incredible commitment shown by our many partners to the future of that system for generations to come. The cutting-edge engineering technology of the Clean Water Project today is a very fitting next chapter in an inspiring MDC story.”

Water Works is sponsored by the Metropolitan District and the Clean Water Project.

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