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Ms. Robbi Savage
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Dear Ms. Savage:

The National Water Quality Monitoring Council (NWQMC) appreciates the leadership of America's Clean Water Foundation and the many interorganizational efforts to organize and host the second **World Water Monitoring Day** from September 18 to October 18, 2004. This effort is an ambitious follow-up to 2002's National Water Monitoring Day and 2003's inaugural World Water Monitoring Day. The success of these events and the growing momentum for this year's event are a striking illustration of the motto of the NWQMC, **Working Together for Clean Water**.

The NWQMC is made up of 35 representatives from across a broad spectrum of Federal, tribal, state, local agencies, and non-governmental organizations including non-profit professional associations, universities, the volunteer monitoring community, and private industry. We work diligently to support and enhance collaborative efforts in water-quality monitoring and are pleased to endorse World Water Monitoring Day.

The NWQMC recognizes that the month-long event provides an opportunity to educate students and families, concerned citizens, and people around the world on the importance of monitoring in furthering our understanding of water quality. We wholeheartedly support the goal of involving a broader audience in monitoring activities. As professionals and dedicated amateurs involved in monitoring on a full-time basis, Council members are gratified to see this expression of widespread interest in the work we do.

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To contribute to the education and outreach effort, we will encourage our agencies and organizations not only to participate on World Water Monitoring Day but also to continue and expand both professional and volunteer monitoring activity over a wider timeframe. We commend you and your organization for the effort to bring about this important event.

Sincerely yours,

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