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*Dickinson, ND* ~ The Southwest Water Authority (SWA) is proud to announce that the Southwest Pipeline Project (SWPP) began water service to the City of Stanton on Wednesday, May 16, 2012, the City of Hazen on Monday, May 21, 2012 and the customers previously served by the city of Beulah, including Country Club Estates south of Beulah, on Tuesday, May 22, 2012. The citizens of Mercer County are now receiving quality water from the new Oliver, Mercer, North Dunn Water Treatment Plant (OMND WTP) of the SWPP.

The \$12 million OMND WTP uses membrane processes for filtration and reverse osmosis for softening. Capacity for Phase I of the WTP is 3.5 million gallons per day (MGD) with an ultimate capacity upon completion of Phase II of five MGD.

“We are honored to serve the City of Stanton, the City of Hazen and the City of Zap, and congratulate them on becoming the first customers served by this new state-of-the-art WTP. We look forward to serving the region for generations to come,” said Mary Massad, Manager/CEO, SWA.

For more information, contact SWA toll-free at 1-888-425-0241 or 701-225-0241.

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**Vision Statement:** People and business succeeding with quality water.

Management, Operation and Maintenance of the Southwest Pipeline Project

