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MWRD to dim lights during earth hour

International Earth Hour set for 8:30 p.m. Sat., March 29

To show support for international Earth Hour, the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago (MWRD) will be dimming the lights at all of its facilities beginning at 8:30 p.m. on Saturday, March 29. This is the sixth year the MWRD facilities have lowered their lights to support Earth Hour.

“Lowering our lights for the designated hour is our way of leading by example and showing that we are all connected within the global community,” said Commissioner Patrick D. Thompson, chairman of the Monitoring & Research committee. “We participate to demonstrate that individuals, community groups and utilities can take positive action to generate real solutions to environmental challenges.”

The hour-long reduction will not impact operations. In fact, the MWRD judiciously practices energy management as a cost-savings method and a way to conserve natural resources.

“We are always looking for ways to promote efficient energy usage practices while continuing to comply with all of our operating permits,” said Commissioner Thompson.

More information about Earth Hour can be found at www.earthhour.org. More information about the MWRD can be found at www.mwr.org.

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