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# Green Bay's Tom Sigmund Named 2017 WEF Fellow for Achievements, Contributions to Water Quality

ALEXANDRIA, Va. – Tom Sigmund of Green Bay, Wisconsin, was named by the Water Environment Federation (WEF) as a recipient of the prestigious 2017 WEF Fellows designation, which recognizes achievements, stature, and contributions in the water profession. Mr. Sigmund is Executive Director of NEW Water, the brand of the Green Bay Metropolitan Sewerage District.

"WEF Fellows have significant professional accomplishments and have made contributions toward preserving and enhancing the global water environment," said WEF Executive Director Eileen O'Neill. "The Federation is pleased to recognize Mr. Sigmund for his impact on clean water and the profession."

Mr. Sigmund leads the third-largest clean water utility in Wisconsin, which treats on average 38 million gallons of water each day. Under Mr. Sigmund's tenure, the facility has achieved 14 consecutive years of 100% permit compliance at its Green Bay Facility, and 5 years of 100% compliance at its De Pere Facility. Mr. Sigmund also has ushered in a new era of resource recovery, with its new solids handling facility, which will generate electricity. Mr. Sigmund also has led the facility to branch out into the watershed, to partner with both urban and rural partners to improve area waters.

The WEF Fellows Recognition Program underscores WEF's role as a valuable water quality resource, which is due in large part to the expertise of its diverse membership. WEF Fellows are recognized in various areas of expertise including, but not limited to design, education, operations, regulation, research, utility management and leadership.

### 2017 WEF Fellow Recipients

- Eleanor Allen: *Water for People - Denver, CO*
- Rajendra Bhattarai: *Austin Water Utility - Austin, TX*
- James Clark: *Black & Veatch - Los Angeles, CA*
- Paul Dombrowski: *Woodard & Curran - Holyoke, MA*
- Al Goodman: *CDM Smith - Pekin, IN*
- April Gu: *Northeastern University - Boston, MA*
- Ed McCormick: *McCormick Strategic Water Management - Oakland, CA*
- Sandra Ralston: *Consensus LLC - Isle of Palms, SC*
- Thomas Sigmund: *NEW Water, Green Bay Metropolitan Sewerage District - Green Bay, WI*
- James E. Smith, Jr.: *Retired Emeritus Chair - Cincinnati, OH*
- Daniel Zitomer: *Marquette University - Milwaukee, WI*

The 2017 WEF Fellows will be recognized during WEFTEC® 2017, WEF's 90th annual technical exhibition and conference, to be held September 30 to October 4 at McCormick Place in Chicago.

For more information: <http://www.wef.org/weffellowsprogram/>.

**About WEF**

The Water Environment Federation (WEF) is a not-for-profit technical and educational organization of 34,000 individual members and 75 affiliated Member Associations representing water quality professionals around the world. Since 1928, WEF and its members have protected public health and the environment. As a global water sector leader, our mission is to connect water professionals; enrich the expertise of water professionals; increase the awareness of the impact and value of water; and provide a platform for water sector innovation. To learn more, visit [www.wef.org](http://www.wef.org).