

Mobile Area Water & Sewer System (MAWSS)

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MAWSS Operators Recognized for State and National Awards

Treatment Plant Operators who keep water and wastewater operations running around the clock for Mobile Area Water & Sewer System (MAWSS) were recognized by the MAWSS Board, October 11, for winning national and state honors for their plant operations this past year.

MAWSS' Wastewater Treatment Plants were awarded **Platinum Peak Performance Awards** from the **National Association of Clean Water Agencies (NACWA)** signifying they had maintained perfect regulatory compliance in meeting permit discharge limits for five or more consecutive years. **The C.C. Williams Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) was one of only 4 plants nationwide that received a Platinum 9 award for having nine consecutive year of perfect performance. The Wright Smith Jr. WWTP was one of 13 plants recognized with a Platinum 7 award for seven years of perfect regulatory compliance.**

The Alabama Water and Pollution Control Association (AWPCA) presented Best Operated Plant Awards to three MAWSS facilities, H.E. Myers Water Treatment Plant, E.M. Stickney Water Treatment Plant and C.C. Williams Wastewater Treatment Plant. Best Operated Plants are selected based on an application and site visit by a review committee. Facilities are judged in a variety of categories including performance, water quality, record keeping, appearance and safety.

The Myers Plant will also receive an Optimized Plant Award from the Alabama Department of Environmental Management (ADEM). The award, based on daily turbidity performance, recognizes plants and operators that consistently maintain treatment standards that are over and above those required by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and ADEM, providing an extra level of protection for public health.