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Senator Whitehouse Receives wellcare® Congressional Leadership Award

Washington, DC (March 5, 2010) – The Water Systems Council (WSC) honored U.S. Senator Sheldon Whitehouse (D-RI) with the 2010 WSC wellcare® Congressional Leadership Award during its Spring Meeting, held February 23-25 in Washington, D.C. Senator Whitehouse was honored for his exemplary commitment to the environment through his support of WSC's wellcare® program.

"With more than 160,000 Rhode Islanders relying on well water, I understand the importance of providing the resources and technical assistance necessary to help households and small communities properly manage and protect their water supplies," said Senator Whitehouse, a member of the Senate Environment and Public Works Committee.



Above: Senator Whitehouse (center) accepts the 2010 wellcare® Leadership Award from WSC members (from left to right) Chris VanHaaren, Jim Paulhus, Matt Miller and Joe Lane.

"Water Systems Council is pleased to recognize Senator Whitehouse's commitment to protecting the drinking water supplies of many of his constituents," said WSC President Kevin Hancock. "The wellcare® Congressional Leadership Award acknowledges his efforts and expresses our appreciation on behalf of household well owners nationwide and in Rhode Island."

WSC is a national nonprofit organization dedicated to promoting the wider use of wells as modern and affordable safe drinking water systems and to protecting ground water resources nationwide. It is the only national organization solely focused on individual water wells and other private well-based water systems.

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