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CARLISLE NATIVE RECOGNIZED FOR OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS AT WORK

Harrisburg, Pa. – The Susquehanna River Basin Commission (SRBC) recently presented Deborah Dickey (formerly Deborah Divens) with the organization’s quarterly Spotlight Award, for her exceptional work as Executive Administrator. Dickey has been with the commission for 31 years, is a native of Carlisle and currently lives in Mechanicsburg, Cumberland County, and works in Harrisburg, Dauphin County.

The Spotlight Award is presented to a SRBC employee to recognize outstanding job performance during the past 3-month time period, commonly when they have shown exceptional initiative and gone beyond their general job description. For the first time in 27 years, SRBC undertook numerous renovation projects this fall to update the Commission’s headquarters and enhance office efficiency. Deb Dickey was responsible for the coordination of the project, which included managing numerous contractors and organizing the flow of activities to minimize disruption to staff and maintain the high-quality of services to the public.

SRBC executive director Paul Swartz noted that, “While the Commission’s headquarters was very much in need of the upgrades, we all dreaded the potential disruptions to our daily work routines leading up to the project. Thanks to Deb’s excellent coordination, we were able to maintain a ‘business as usual’ environment for staff and the public. Throughout the whole process, Deb also managed to maintain her normal workload without missing a step.”

Dickey also won the Annual Staff Excellence Award in 1996, the year that award was first initiated.

SRBC is the governing agency established under a 100-year compact signed on Dec. 24, 1970 by the federal government and states of New York, Pennsylvania and Maryland to protect and manage wisely the water resources of the Susquehanna River Basin. The Susquehanna River starts in Cooperstown, N.Y., and flows 444 miles to Havre de Grace, Md., where the river meets the Chesapeake Bay.

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