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CAMP HILL RESIDENT RECOGNIZED FOR OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS AT WORK

Harrisburg, Pa. – The Susquehanna River Basin Commission (SRBC) recently presented John Hauenstein with the organization’s quarterly Spotlight Award, for his exceptional work as Engineering Technician. Hauenstein has been with the Commission for 29 years, and is both a native and current resident of Camp Hill, Cumberland County, Pa.

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. During this second quarter of 2004, Hauenstein demonstrated those qualities while assisting in the surface water component of SRBC’s Northern Lancaster Water Budget Study Project.

SRBC executive director Paul Swartz noted that, “John’s diligence in moving forward with stream discharge measurements at over 50 sites within eight days demonstrates his character, enthusiasm and strong work ethic.”

In addition, Hauenstein patiently explained the project’s objectives and persuaded property owners to give him permission to conduct analyses. He was particularly successful with obtaining land access from the Amish and Mennonite communities in Lancaster County – groups often unaccustomed to this type of request.

SRBC’s employee award recipients are nominated and selected by their peers. This award program was initiated in 1996. Hauenstein was also awarded the 1998 Annual Staff Excellence Award, and the Spotlight Award during the 4th quarter of 2001.

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 management 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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