



## News Release

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### **Austin Company Recognized as a 2008 Water Efficiency Leader**

DALLAS, Texas - December 16, 2008 - The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) recognized Acequia as a 2008 Water Efficiency Leader today for exceeding expectations in water management. Acequia earned its place among the nation's most innovative water leaders by surpassing its own five-year goals of sustaining measured water reductions from 20 percent to 54 percent across nearly 70 commercial properties.

"EPA commends Acequia for its accomplishments in water use reduction," said EPA Regional Administrator Richard E. Greene. "Their efforts to conserve water should inspire other businesses, companies, and organizations to improve their stewardship of this precious resource."

Acequia increased water use reduction by measuring a consumption baseline for all its properties and using this data to establish water management best practices. This resulted in significant water savings at all of its properties.

Since 2006, EPA has been recognizing organizations and individuals with Water Efficiency Leader Awards to help foster a nationwide ethic of water efficiency. This program enables EPA to document best practices, share information and create a network of water efficiency leaders.

Additional information about this year's Water Efficiency Leaders is available at [www.epa.gov/water/wel/](http://www.epa.gov/water/wel/)

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#### **About Acequia**

Headquartered near Dallas in Athens, Texas, Acequia is a comprehensive performance based water management service that offers commercial property owners environmentally sustainable solutions to protect their landscape investments. Acequia's trained agronomists utilize patented technology, best management practices and real time environmental data to manage properties through precision irrigation application, leak detection and managing rain events. Acequia provides sustainable water solutions across multiple states on office, multi-family, retail and corporate campus facilities.

Acequia is committed to leading by example and serving in ways that promote corporate responsibility. As part of their mission to protect our valuable water resources, Acequia remains dedicated to their clients and the communities in which they serve by generating water awareness, promoting effective conservation practices and encouraging environmental stewardship. For more information, please visit the company's website at [www.acequia.com](http://www.acequia.com).

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