

TO ALL MWRA RETIREES AND SURVIVORS:

The MWRA Employees' Retirement Board has received many inquiries from retirees in regard to a communication recently mailed to them by a lobbyist group, the Retired State, County and Municipal Retirees Association of Massachusetts, which contained what appeared to be an invoice for \$42.00 and which contained references to MWRA. Unfortunately, many retirees were therefore under the impression that this invoice was from MWRA and/or the MWRA Employees' Retirement System, and that the payment is mandatory.

We wish to make it clear that this organization is in no way affiliated with MWRA or MWRA Employees' Retirement System, and that retirees' membership in this lobbying organization is entirely voluntary. You will never be asked or required to remit dues in order to continue receiving your retirement benefits. They are lifetime benefits guaranteed to you by Massachusetts statutes. This organization has been cautioned against using "MWRA" or "MWRA Employees' Retirement System" in any future communications in any form.

We would like to thank very much those retirees who brought this matter to our attention, so that it could be addressed appropriately. We would ask that in the future, should any retiree receive a communication which seems questionable in regard to their retirement benefits, that they continue to contact us promptly at (617)305-5595 so that any concerns may be addressed.

Thank you.

MWRA Employees' Retirement Board and Staff