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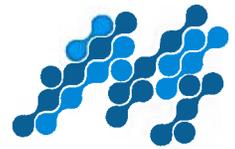
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THE WATER COUNCIL

August 18, 2016

City of Milwaukee Sister City Committee
Attn: Ald. Russel W. Stamper, II
Milwaukee City Hall
200 E. Wells Street
Room 205
Milwaukee, WI 53202

Alderman Stamper and the Sister City Committee:

On behalf of The Water Council, I am writing a letter of intent for developing a Sister City relationship between the Cities of Milwaukee and Daegu Metropolitan City in the Republic of South Korea.

Milwaukee is a world water hub because of the great work of organizations and initiatives such as The Water Council, The Water Council's industry members, UW-Milwaukee's School of Freshwater Sciences, Marquette University, the City of Milwaukee and the water initiatives in Mayor Barrett's ReFresh Milwaukee sustainability plan. Daegu is working to become a water city as well and is hosting a Korean Water Expo this October.

In addition to being a global leader in water industry, research and technology, Milwaukee is also the North American headquarters of international organizations like the Alliance for Water Stewardship and the International Water Association.

Mayor Kwon of Daegu visited Milwaukee in September of 2015 and representatives of Daegu have traveled back to Milwaukee numerous times since that visit. Mayor Kwon and Mayor Barrett signed a Memorandum of Understanding (see attached) in 2015 which pledged that both Cities will foster and encourage the transfer of water technology that benefits each City and to further develop water clusters in both Cities.

The Water Council believes that establishing a Sister City relationship with Daegu is an important step in reaffirming Milwaukee as an international water centric city.

The Water Council hopes the Sister City Committee will consider this letter and request a full Sister City application.

Please contact me if you have any questions or comments.

Sincerely,

Dean Amhaus, President & CEO
The Water Council