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Dear Mark,

On behalf of the American Water Resources Association Board of Directors, I would like to notify you that the Florida State Section has been selected as the AWRA Outstanding State Section for 2017.

As you know, AWRA reviews the activities and programs of all state sections and accepts nominations for the Outstanding State Section Award. As the association has grown, so have the number of state sections, as well as the quality of section activities. Accordingly, you should be especially proud of your section for being selected from a number of excellent nominations from across the country.

The Florida State Section has shown particular innovation in its programs, membership growth and establishing AWRA as a significant water resources professional organization throughout the entire state of Florida. Mark, please accept my congratulations on your outstanding accomplishments and please share this honor with the other officers and members who made this special recognition possible.

As the section President, AWRA hopes you will be able to accept the award on behalf of the Florida State Section at the President's Reception on Sunday, November 5, 2017. The reception will be held in conjunction with our Annual Water Resources Conference at the Red Lion Hotel on the River-Jantzen Beach in Portland, Oregon. I hope you will be present to receive this award.

Please provide the name of the person accepting this award on behalf of the Florida State Section to Jacque Towner of AWRA by September 15, 2017 (jacque@awra.org).

Sincerely,

Rafael E. Frias III

President

cc: John C. Tracy, Chairperson, 2017 Nominations/Awards Committee Don Duke, AWRA Board of Directors