



Kelleher of H2M receives NYSSPE Suffolk Chapter Engineer of the Year award

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The Suffolk Chapter of the New York State Society of Professional Engineers (NYSSPE) has recognized Dennis Kelleher, P.E. of H2M architects + engineers as the 2014 Engineer of the Year.

Kelleher, president of H2M's Water division, was presented the award at the chapter's annual Installation and Awards Receptions and Dinner on Thursday, June 5 at the Hyatt Place East End. The award is presented annually to recognize a Professional Engineer who is deemed to have made an outstanding contribution to the engineering profession and the goals of the Society of Professional Engineers.

"I'm humbled to receive this award, and I would like to thank NYSSPE for recognizing me as their Engineer of the Year," Kelleher said. "I could not have achieved this without the support of my colleagues and staff at H2M, who have helped shape my career as an engineer."

Most recently, Kelleher was selected to represent the water supply industry as a member of the Long Island Commission of Aquifer Protection. LICAP, a joint initiative in Nassau and Suffolk Counties, will assess threats to the sole source aquifer that provides Long Island's drinking water. As a member, Kelleher will oversee preparation of the first State of the Aquifer Report.

During the past year, Kelleher has worked as a project director for the Queens Groundwater Rehabilitation Project and was elected Treasurer of the New York State American Water Works Association. As part of his ongoing involvement with NYSAWWA, he is also a member of the Education and Program Committees.

Over his 35-year career, Kelleher has developed expertise in public water supplies, groundwater, water resource development, distribution systems, storage, and water treatment. Over the past 20 years, he has become an advocate for safe water supplies in the Long Island region.

This is the second Engineer of the Year Award Kelleher has received this year. The first, the Engineer of the Year award for the American Society for Civil Engineers Long Island Branch, was presented to Kelleher in May.

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