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Michie Water System Wins Region 11 Contest for Best Tasting Water in Tennessee

JACKSON – The Tennessee Association of Utility Districts (TAUD) held the Region Eleven Best Tasting Water Contest at The Ballpark in Jackson on Wednesday, July 1st. Michie Water System was awarded Best Tasting Water in Region 11.

TAUD Region Eleven consists of: Chester, Fayette, Hardeman, Henderson, Madison, McNairy, Shelby, and Tipton counties.

Additional participating utilities were: Adamsville Utilities, First Utility District of Tipton County, Germantown Water System, Jackson Energy Authority, Lexington Utilities, and Munford Utilities.

Senator Ed Jackson, Representative Chris Todd, Ed Jackson III of Congressman Kustoff's office, TAUD Board President Pat Riley and Steve Bowers of 101.5 FM, participated as judges for the contest. The drinking water samples were judged on their clarity, bouquet, and taste.

This summer, TAUD will conduct the Best Tasting Water in Tennessee Contest in each of our eleven regions. Each regional winner will compete at the Association's 2020 Business Conference at the Gatlinburg Convention Center on Thursday, August 13th. The statewide winner represents TAUD at the Great American Taste Test held in conjunction with the National Rurally Water Association Rally in Washington DC in February of 2021.

The Tennessee Association of Utility Districts is the state's best source for training, technical assistance, and advocacy for our over 400 water, wastewater, and natural gas utility members. For more information about TAUD please visit our website at <u>www.taud.org</u> or follow us on facebook (Tennessee Association of Utility Districts) and Instagram at taudwater.



Left to right: Ed Jackson III, Senator Ed Jackson, Representative Chris Todd, Samantha Denton of Michie Water System, Steve Bowers and Pat Riley