

# AQUEOUS

## INTERNATIONAL

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AQUEOUS International, an Alaskan corporation, is an international water company involved in bulk water conveyance in the Mediterranean and in the development and application of new desalination technologies for both on and offshore activities globally. It is also a company whose majority ownership is held by an American Service Disabled Veteran.

On behalf of our Chairman and partners we want to thank you for stepping forward and offering HJR16 and wish to offer to be of any assistance in its movement through the legislative process this year. We believe it essential that this resolution pass this session to give support and take advantage of the eighteen month efforts of our Congressional Delegation and efforts in Washington, D.C. to move a number of federal agencies into compliance with their 3% mandates, in Alaska.

The passage of this resolution is not only in the best interest of service disabled veteran owned businesses in Alaska but also in the economic best interests of Alaska. Veteran owned businesses are generally more successful, hire more veterans, and have a longer life than all other categories of new business ventures. AQUEOUS International has now been in business over ten years.

AQUEOUS International has very specific interests in military and federal procurements given the necessity of freshwater at a time of global shrinkage of its supply. Our efforts to secure federal contracts will be greatly improved with the passage of this resolution and the potential for aggressive oversight hearings in Congress.

Thanks again for your support,

Ed Hahn, Chief Executive Officer