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**Nestlé Waters North America Easement Donation  
Protects South Coventry Open Space**

(South Coventry, PA, February 2, 2004) – Nestlé Waters North America donated today to South Coventry Township a conservation easement attaching approximately 54 acres of land along scenic Harmonyville Road on the north slope of Chestnut Hill. In entering into the conservation easement, both the township and the company agree that the land will only be utilized for its existing water supply purposes, and will not be developed further in the future for commercial or residential purposes. The terms of the easement assure that the land will be used and protected to preserve the scenic vista from the valley.

The conservation easement agreement was signed by Mark Evans of Nestlé Waters, and accepted by South Coventry Township at its regularly scheduled township meeting on the evening of February 2.

The 54 acres, located off Harmonyville Road, comprise most of the land surrounding the three spring water sources that have been bottled for the Great Bear label for more than 60 years. Under the terms of the conservation easement agreement, Nestlé Waters will continue to utilize the spring water sources and related water storage and loadout area, but the vast majority of the property will remain in forested open space.

“This conservation easement from Nestlé Waters adds substantially to the network of open space and conservation lands held and protected by the Township. This easement, coupled with the adjoining lands owned by the Township along Chestnut Hill, will assure a forested and scenic backdrop enjoyed by the citizens and public of the township and region within the Pigeon Creek watershed,” said Township Supervisor Ken Reed.

Nestlé Waters North America is the nation’s leading bottled water company. Protecting its spring water sources through proper land use is a top priority. “This easement donation allows us to contribute to this community of which we’ve long been a member and know that our spring water site will forever be protected as part of a public/private partnership devoted to conserving the watershed,” added Peter Rittenhouse of Nestlé Waters.

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