

## News Release

Scottish Water conflict bad news for the environment – Environment LINK comment:

Commenting on the resignation of Scottish Water Chair Professor Alan Alexander, Andrea Johnstonova, Convenor of LINK Freshwater Task Force said:

"The delivery of a large investment programme requires good co-ordination and communication between the government agencies, economic regulators and Scottish Water. The resignation of Scottish Water's chair signals an ongoing conflict between these agencies, which could prove damaging for the environment, biodiversity and the Scottish people."

WWF Scotland's Freshwater Policy Officer and Co-Convenor of LINK Freshwater Task Force, Mike Donaghy said:

"Scottish Water has a key role in making good decades of under investment and delivering some of Europe's biggest pieces of environmental legislation. We have long had concerns that the proposed level of environmental investment may fall short of that required to implement improvements needed to meet European requirements and ensure that Scotland's environment is safeguarded."

### Editors' Notes

(1) Scottish Environment LINK is the network for Scotland's voluntary sector environmental organisations. LINK has 36 member organisations spanning interests across the natural environment and associated cultural heritage and supported by around 500,000 people. Further information on LINK is available at [www.scotlink.org](http://www.scotlink.org) The everyone campaign is a LINK network initiative enabling people who care about their environment to find out about current issues and take action online or at events - further information is available at [www.everyonecan.org](http://www.everyonecan.org)

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