

# Minutes of the Operator Certification Advisory Council

## June 26, 2014

Present for the Council meeting on Thursday, June 26, 2014, were: Richard Reed, member and chair; Terry Meister, member; Tracey Phelps, member; Dan Cloyd, member; Mike Gallaway, member; Verna Arnette, member; Andrew Barienbrock, Certification Unit; Susan Parkins, Certification Unit.

The meeting began in EPA Conference Room C for a Class IV Presentation. Three operators, Andreas Eddy, Robert Elmerick and Orin McMonigle attended the presentation. Attendees were given the opportunity to review successful Class IV examinations after the presentation. All participants remained to review exemplary Class IV examinations.

The regular meeting was called to order at approximately 10:50 a.m. in EPA Conference Room A.

Terry Meister made a motion seconded by Tracey Phelps to approve the May 15, 2014 minutes. Motion carried. Mike Gallaway abstained

### 1) Class IV, Examinations (In review)

#### Water

NAME, LOCATION	DC	BD	VA	TJ	MG	TP	RR	TM
There were no Class IV Water exams distributed 06//26/2014								

\*\* Denotes who currently has package. "s" Denotes who is preparing summary.  
"m" Denotes mailed.

#### Wastewater

NAME, LOCATION	DC	BD	VA	TJ	MG	TP	RR	TM
Mark A. Smith, City of Amherst Adjudication, 4 copies	**				**		**	** s
Mark A. Ciccone; City of Struthers 2 <sup>nd</sup> submittal, 4 copies					**	**	** s	**
Christopher McGibbney, City of Toledo 1 <sup>st</sup> submittal, 4 copies					**	** s	**	**

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### 2) Class IV Actions

#### WATER

NAME	EMPLOYER	ACTION
Dean A. Reynolds	City of Alliance	Recommend passing
Orin McMonigle	City of Lorain	Tabled until July meeting

## WASTEWATER

NAME	EMPLOYER	ACTION
Eric M. Myers	Clermont County	Recommend passing

Mike Gallaway made a motion recommending the Class IV examinations of Dean Reynolds and Eric Myers be passed and the examination of Orin McMonigle be tabled until the July 17, 2014 meeting. Dan Cloyd seconded the motion. Motion carried.

### 3) Extension

On May 19, 2014, James L. Borton, CH2M Hill, requested an extension to submit his Class IV examination. His first submittal was due May 30, 2014.

On May 29, 2014, Michael J. Melnyk, Lake County Utilities, requested an extension to submit his Class IV examination. His first submittal was due May 30, 2014.

Tracey Phelps made a motion seconded by Terry Meister recommending both Mr. Borton and Mr. Melnyk be given a twelve month extension, until May 30, 2015, to submit their initial Class IV examination. Motion carried.

### 4) Reciprocity

Brady L. Williams has held a Wastewater Treatment Class 1 certification since 10/20/2006 in British Columbia, Canada. He requests reciprocity with the State of Ohio. The Environmental Operators Program of British Columbia indicated they use the standardized ABC exams for this certification. ABC's standardized Wastewater Treatment Class 1 examination has been determined to be equivalent to Ohio's Class A Wastewater Treatment examination

Terry Meister made a motion, seconded by Mike Gallaway recommending Brady L. Williams be issued a Class A Wastewater Treatment certification pending proof of employment in the State of Ohio. Motion carried.

### 5) Operator-in-Training

Operator-in-Training (OIT) applications approved between the May 16, 2014 and June 28 Council meetings were: Brett D. Abke (WD1); Kevin R. Abrigg (WW1); Kyle R. Adams (WS2); Laura A. Alexander (WS1); Landon L. Anderson (WW1); Ozimba E. Anyangwe (WS); Kenneth A. Auman (WS1); Michael T. Bell (WS1); Robert P. Binkley (WS1); Tayler M. Bishop (WW1); Ryan J. Bratton (WS1); Harry A. Carpenter (WW1); Zachary A. Clift (WW1); Adam L. Denney (WC1); Shawn C. Dierksheide (WC2 & WD2); Russell K. Elkins (WD1); James L. Ellison, Jr. (WW1); Sixto Guardiola, Jr. (WW1); Travis L. Hahn (WS2); Matthew S. Hogle (WSA); Ricky S. Horton (WS2); Dennis B. Kratochvil (WWA); Kameron A. Kuhl, Jr. (WS1); Robert F. Lamb (WC2); Benjamin S. Martin, (WW2); Russell D. McDonald (WS1); Eric L. McVay (WW1); Dillon J. Miller (WW2); Jarred S. Myers (WC2); Chester Louie P. Nabus (WW1); Donald A. Nape (WW1); Mark A. Naus (WD2); Kevin R. Novak (WW1); Kyle P. O'Hare (WW1); Jason L. Ott (WS1); Timothy E. Parker (WS1); Jeron L. Ramage (WW1); Donavon J. Reichert (WS2); Nathan Schultze (WS1); Jason P. Simpson (WS1); David A. Stowe (WW2); Ralph L. Taylor (WC2); Theodore R. Timmons (WS1); Gregory P. Tracy (WD1 & WC1); Christopher L. Watts (WW1).

## 6) Other Business

Two examination questions had been challenged by participants in the examination reviews earlier this month. Council reviewed the questions to determine validity, clarity and conciseness and did not agree with the challenges. Terry Meister made a motion seconded by Mike Gallaway, to deny any credit for these questions because of the challenges made. Motion carried.

At 11:43 a.m. Terry Meister made a motion to move into Executive Session. Mike Gallaway seconded the motion. Motion carried.

At 12:08 p.m. Mike Gallaway made a motion to move out of Executive Session. Tracey Phelps seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Class IV applications for James A. Blevins, Sr., Andreas Eddy and Deborah Hanby (Water Supply) and Daniel Smith (Wastewater) were approved between the May 15, 2014 and June 26, 2014 Council meetings.

Richard Reed shared information about new information regarding Activated Sludge being developed and ask Council members to review the information and offer suggestions. provided at: [http://epa.ohio.gov/portals/35/compl\\_assist/RavenHorizFlow.pdf](http://epa.ohio.gov/portals/35/compl_assist/RavenHorizFlow.pdf)

Mike Gallaway made a motion at 12:17 p.m. to adjourn the meeting. Dan Cloyd seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The next Council meeting will be held Thursday, July 17, 2014 in Ohio EPA Conference Room B.

**Council Approved: July 17, 2014**