

Minutes of the Operator Certification Advisory Council

March 15, 2018

The Advisory Council met on Thursday, March 15, 2018. Members attending were: Terry Meister, member and chairman; William Bowers, member; Mark Verbsky, member; Tom Jedlinsky, member; Marco Deshaies, member; James Gellner, member; Tracey Phelps, member; Verna Arnette, member; Tanushree Courlas, Certification Unit; Marissa Ganzfried, Certification Unit; Andy Barienbrock, OR&C.

The Class IV presentation began at 9:10 a.m. in Ohio EPA Conference Room A. Eight operators attended the presentation, Michael Erkkila, John M. Lee, II, Chris A. Melvin, Jeffrey R. Morrow, Scott Naelitz, Franco Noce, Daniel J. Sferra, and Todd A. Smith. All participants remained to review exemplary Class IV examinations after the presentation.

At 10:12 a.m., the Advisory Council meeting was called to order in Ohio EPA Conference Room B.

After a review of the Council minutes for February 15, 2018 meeting, James Gellner made a motion to approve the minutes. Tracey Phelps seconded the motion. Terry Meister abstained. Motion carried.

1) Class IV, Examinations (In review)

Water

NAME, LOCATION	MV	WB	VA	TJ	MD	TP	JG	TM
No Class IV WS exams were distributed 03/15/2018								

** assigned to review **x** reviewed package
s summary **m** mailed

Wastewater

Water

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2) Class IV Actions

WATER

NAME	EMPLOYER	ACTION
No Class IV WS exams distributed 02/15/2018		

WASTEWATER

NAME	EMPLOYER	ACTION
No Class IV WW exam distributed 02/15/2018		

3) Extensions

Keshia Kinney, City of Dayton, is requesting an extension to complete the first submittal of her Class IV Water Supply examination. Her request was received on March 14, 2018. Her Class IV first submittal is due on March 31, 2018. She has not requested an extension previously.

Tom Jedlinsky recommended granting Ms. Kinney an extension until March 31, 2019 to submit her Class IV examination. James Gellner seconded the motion. Motion carried.

4) Reciprocity

John McGinnis, Jr. has held a Domestic Wastewater Treatment Class A with the state of Florida since August 14, 2013. Class D is the lowest and Class A is the highest level of certification. His certificate was valid through April 30, 2019. The exams administered through ABC are owned and created by the State of Florida. Florida is unwilling to give ABC authorization to share their examination.

Tom Jedlinsky made a motion to deny John McGinnis' reciprocity request. William Bowers seconded the motion. Motion carried. Terry Meister and Tracey Phelps abstained.

Christopher Van Wave has held a Water Treatment Class B in the state of Texas since October 22, 1998. Class D is the lowest and Class A is the highest level of certification. His certification was valid in Texas until October 22, 2012. Colorado granted reciprocity for this certification, and this license is valid until October 28, 2020 in Colorado. Mr. Van Wave passed a written examination, but Texas is unwilling to share a representative copy of the examination.

Christopher Van Wave has held a Water Distribution Class 4 in the state of Colorado since October 8, 2015. Class 1 is the lowest and Class 4 is the highest level of certification. His certification is valid until October 8, 2018. Mr. Van Wave passed a standard ABC examination.

Christopher Van Wave has held a Wastewater Treatment Class D in the state of Colorado since April 28, 2015. Class D is the lowest and Class A is the highest level of certification. His certification is valid until April 28, 2018. Mr. Van Wave passed a standard ABC examination.

Christopher Van Wave has held a Wastewater Collections Class 1 in the state of Colorado since April 29, 2015. Class 1 is the lowest and Class 4 is the highest level of certification. His certification is valid until April 29, 2018. Mr. Van Wave passed a standard ABC examination.

Mark Verbsky made a motion to deny Christopher Van Wave's reciprocity requests for his Water Treatment Class B and Wastewater Collections Class 1 certificates and to approve his reciprocity requests based on his Colorado Water Distribution Class 4 and his Colorado Wastewater Treatment Class D certificates. He will be issued an Ohio Water Distribution Class 2 and Ohio Wastewater Treatment Class A certificates, respectively, after providing documentation of employment in Ohio. James Gellner seconded the motion. Motion carried.

5) Certifications Issued

Forty-Six Third Party Exam, Reciprocity and Operator-in-Training (OIT) applications were approved between February 15, 2018 and March 15, 2018. Certificates were issued to:

First Name	Middle	Last Name	Type	Class
Kenneth		Armstrong	Wastewater Treatment	1
Robert	B	Bainter	Water Supply	2
William	E	Barnhouse	Wastewater Collection	1
Chad	A	Bay	Wastewater Treatment	1
Zane	E	Bregant	Water Distribution	1
Thomas	R	Carchedi	Water Supply	1
Brian	A	Crofoot	Wastewater Treatment	2
John	C	Dragun	Water Distribution	1
Joshua		Dress	Wastewater Collection	2
Tyler		Drum	Water Distribution	1
Jerry	D	Ernst	Water Distribution	1
Mark		Erupe	Water Supply	2
Garrett	A	Fannin	Wastewater Treatment	2
Daniel		Fonseca, Jr	Water Supply	2
Nicholas	T	Frendak	Wastewater Treatment	1
Vincent	J	Goddard	Wastewater Collection	1
Hillary	M	Grasse	Wastewater Treatment	1
Kenneth	J	Griffith	Water Supply	2
Timothy		Hackney	Wastewater Treatment	1
Michael	A	Hatfield	Water Distribution	1
Charles	W	Hawk	Wastewater Collection	2
Charles	W	Hawk	Water Distribution	2
Brian	A	Hazelett	Water Supply	1
Shawn	K	Justus	Water Supply	2
Brian	R	Kaas	Water Distribution	2
Adam	V	King	Water Distribution	2
Patricia	T	Klonicki	Water Supply	2
Adam	J	Kroeger	Water Supply	1
Nathan		Lacey	Wastewater Treatment	2
Gregory	S	Lind	Wastewater Treatment	1
Dale	R	Little	Wastewater Treatment	1
Nicholas	C	Murray	Wastewater Treatment	2
Emilie		Naccarato	Water Supply	A

Carol	E	Prior	Water Supply	2
Thomas	O	Pruett	Water Supply	1
Aaron	J	Riedmann	Water Supply	2
Sean	D	Smith	Water Supply	3
Dustin	D	Stoops	Wastewater Collection	2
Brian	R	Suhr	Wastewater Collection	2
Kenneth	W	Taylor	Wastewater Treatment	1
Donovan	R	Thackery	Water Supply	1
Brandon	C	Valley	Wastewater Collection	1
Daniel	M	White	Wastewater Collection	1
Scott	R	Wolfe	Water Supply	1
Brandon		Worden	Wastewater Treatment	1
Elizabeth		Zelinski	Water Supply	2

6) Other Business

Louis Zorella has requested reinstatement of his Water Distribution 2 certificate.
Bradley Lebo has requested reinstatement of his Water Distribution 2 certificate.
Albert Morocco has requested reinstatement of his Water Distribution 2 certificate.
John Mshar has requested reinstatement of his Water Distribution 2 certificate.
Joseph Pasquale has requested reinstatement of his Water Distribution 2 certificate.
Richard Walski has requested reinstatement of his Water Distribution 2 certificate.
Michael Murphy has requested reinstatement of his Water Distribution 2 certificate.
Giovan Gilbert has requested reinstatement of his Water Distribution 2 certificate.
Joseph Guerrieri has requested reinstatement of his Water Distribution 2 certificate.
Joe Dunlap has requested reinstatement of his Water Distribution 2 certificate.
Christopher Roth has requested reinstatement of his Water Distribution 2 certificate.
Vincent Natal has requested reinstatement of his Water Distribution 2 certificate.
Brian Baker has requested reinstatement of his Water Distribution 2 certificate.
Robert Kauffman has requested reinstatement of his Water Distribution 2 certificate.
Lamar Powell has requested reinstatement of his Water Distribution 2 certificate.
Peter Deley has requested reinstatement of his Water Distribution 2 certificate.
Jamey Myers has requested reinstatement of his Water Distribution 2 certificate.
William Rowe has requested reinstatement of his Water Distribution 2 certificate.
Rick Adams has requested reinstatement of his Water Distribution 2 certificate.
Timmie Batley has requested reinstatement of his Water Distribution 2 certificate.
David Cole has requested reinstatement of his Water Distribution 2 certificate.
Joseph Morley has requested reinstatement of his Water Distribution 2 certificate.
Peter Deley, III has requested reinstatement of his Water Distribution 2 certificate.
Ed Kimbrough has requested reinstatement of his Water Distribution 2 certificate.

Mark Verbsky made a motion to approve all 25 reinstatement requests. James Gellner seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Between the February 15, 2018 and March 15, 2018 Council meetings, 2 Class IV applications were approved for Juan Garza (WS) and Daniel Sferra (WS).

According to Ohio EPA's records, ABC gave 126 Ohio Water and Wastewater exams in February 2018.

At 10:34 James Gellner made a motion to move into executive session to discuss the investigation of charges or complaints against licensees or regulated individuals. Tom Jedlinsky seconded the motion. Motion carried.

At 10:52 Tracey Phelps made a motion to move out of executive session. Marco Deshaies seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Andy Barienbrock gave an update on the Operator Certification proposed rule changes. He said that Ohio EPA is currently waiting for a response from the Common Sense Initiative before the rules can be filed with the Joint Committee on Agency Rule Review (JCARR).

At 11:13 Mark Verbsky made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Tom Jedlinsky seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The next Council meeting will be held in Ohio EPA Conference Room B on Thursday, April 19, 2018.

Council Approved: 4/19/2018