

Minutes of the Operator Certification Advisory Council

September 20, 2018

The Advisory Council met on Thursday, September 20, 2018. Members attending were: Verna Arnette, member and chairwoman; William Bowers, member; Mark Verbsky, member; Thomas Jedlinsky, member; Tracey Phelps, member; James Gellner, member; CarrieAnne Rosemark, member; Ohio EPA staff in attendance were, Tanushree Courlas, Marissa Ganzfried and Kevin Jarrell.

The Class IV presentation began at 9:05 a.m. in Ohio EPA Conference Room A. Six operators attended the presentation, Brian Loudenslager, Michael Tong, Emily Kerber, Tim Williams, Tom Sherwood, and Robert Coker. All participants remained to review exemplary Class IV examinations after the presentation.

At 10:09 AM, the Advisory Council meeting was called to order in Ohio EPA Conference Room B.

After a review of the Council minutes for July 19, 2018 meeting, James Gellner made a motion to approve the minutes. Mark Verbsky seconded the motion. Verna Arnette abstained. Motion carried.

After a review of the Council minutes for August 16, 2018 meeting, Mark Verbsky made a motion to approve the minutes. Tracey Phelps seconded the motion. James Gellner abstained. Motion carried.

1) Class IV, Examinations (In review)

Water

NAME, LOCATION	MV	WB	VA	TJ	MD	TP	JG	CR
Lance E. Livesay City of Fairborn		**s	**	**		**		
Tim E. Newland City of Bellefontaine		**	**s	**			**	

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Wastewater

NAME, LOCATION	MV	WB	VA	TJ	MD	TP	JG	CR
William J. Collins Lucas County					**m	**s	**	**
Kathryn Crestani NEORS	**			**	**m			**s

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2) Class IV Actions

WATER

NAME	EMPLOYER	ACTION
James Blevins	City of Dayton	Recommend Passing

Matthew Ebie	City of Akron	Return for Additional Information
Anthony Rivers	Aqua Ohio, Inc.	Recommended passing

WASTEWATER

NAME	EMPLOYER	ACTION
Wendy Dria	Medina County Sanitary Engineers	Return for Additional Information
Shaun Spiller	City of Springfield	Return for Additional Information

William Bowers made a motion to recommend passing James Blevins, returning Matthew Ebie and Shaun Spiller. James Gellner seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mark Verbsky made a motion to recommend passing Anthony Rivers. James Gellner seconded the motion. William Bowers abstained. Motion carried.

James Gellner made a motion to recommend returning Wendy Dria. CarrieAnne Rosemark seconded the motion. Tracey Phelps abstained. Motion carried.

3) Extensions

Clint M. Krendick, City of Solon, is requesting an extension to complete the first submittal of his Class IV Water Supply examination. His request was received on August 21, 2018. His Class IV first submittal is due on October 30, 2018. He has requested an extension previously.

Brent C. Smith, Clermont County, is requesting an extension to complete the third submittal of his Class IV Water Supply examination. His request was received on August 27, 2018. His Class IV third submittal is due on October 1, 2018. He has requested an extension previously on a past submittal.

Franco Noce, Lake County Department of Utilities, is requesting an extension to complete the first submittal of his Class IV Water Supply examination. His request was received on September 12, 2018. His Class IV first submittal is due on October 10, 2018. He has not requested an extension previously.

Mark Verbsky made a motion to deny Mr. Krendick’s extension request on his first submittal of his Class IV examination and to grant Mr. Smith an extension until April 1, 2019 to submit the third submittal of his Class IV examination. Thomas Jedlinsky seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mark Verbsky made a motion to grant Mr. Noce an extension until October 10, 2019 to submit the first submittal of his Class IV examination. Tracey Phelps seconded the motion. William Bowers abstained. Motion carried.

4) Reciprocity

Larry Turner has held Water Supply Class 2 license from New Mexico since January 1, 2018 and is valid until February 29, 2020. New Mexico’s lowest drinking water certification is small

water and Water Supply Level 4 is the highest. New Mexico is willing to share a representative copy of the exam.

Justin King has held Wastewater Treatment Class 3 license from Kentucky since August 2, 2017 and is valid until June 30, 2019. Kentucky's lowest wastewater certification is 1 and 4 is the highest. Council has approved Kentucky's exams as one class lower.

Adrian Hill has held Wastewater Treatment Class 4 license from California since December 19, 2002 and is valid until January 2, 2021. California's lowest wastewater certification is 1 and 5 is the highest. California is unwilling to share a representative copy of the exam.

Mark Verbsky made a motion to approve Larry Turner's reciprocity request for his Water Supply Class 2 license from New Mexico to an Ohio Water Supply Class 1 license, approve Justin King's Wastewater Treatment Class 3 license from Kentucky to an Ohio Wastewater Treatment Class 2 license, and deny Adrian Hill's reciprocity requests for his Wastewater Treatment Class 4 license from California. Thomas Jedlinsky seconded the motion. Motion carried.

5) Certifications Issued

Thirty-six Third Party Exam, Reciprocity and Operator-in-Training (OIT) applications were approved between August 16 and September 20, 2018. Certificates were issued to:

First Name	Middle	Last Name	Type	Class
Jeffrey	S	Bauer	Wastewater Treatment	2
John	E	Biggs	Water Distribution	1
Brandon		Bingham	Water Supply	1
Barney	O	Bowman	Water Distribution	1
Christopher	J	Brunette	Wastewater Treatment	1
Nathan	L	Butler	Water Supply	1
Brian	J	Campbell	Water Distribution	1
Josh	D	Coyan	Water Supply	1
Jared	D	Dinges	Water Supply	1
Mark	E	Eldridge	Water Distribution	1
Lisa	M	George	Water Distribution	1
David	P	Herman	Water Distribution	2
Tyler		Howell	Water Supply	1
Kelly		Jutte	Wastewater Treatment	2
Daniel	B	Knife	Water Supply	3
Gregory	A	Kushner	Water Supply	2
Graham	P	Loftus	Wastewater Treatment	1
Jamie	A	McKnight	Water Supply	A
Austin	W	Miles	Wastewater Treatment	1
Heidi	L	Nelson	Water Distribution	1
Jacob	D	Neuenschwander	Water Supply	2
Warren	G	Ollis	Wastewater Treatment	1
Marvin	R	Ortscheid	Water Distribution	1

Adam	J	Peters	Wastewater Treatment	A
Christopher	L	Peterson	Wastewater Treatment	1
Christopher	L	Peterson	Water Supply	2
Ronald	A	Riley, Jr.	Water Supply	1
Adam	K	Smith	Water Supply	2
Adam	K	Smith	Wastewater Treatment	2
David	S	Smith, II	Water Distribution	2
Brian	T	Spence	Water Supply	2
Derek	J	Stafford	Wastewater Collection	1
Sarah	M	Stibaner	Water Supply	1
Donald	J	Straub, Jr.	Water Supply	2
Michael	C	Thompson	Water Distribution	2
Joseph	G	White	Wastewater Treatment	1

6) Other Business

Between the August 16, 2018 and September 20, 2018 Council meetings, no Class IV applications were approved.

According Ohio EPA's records, ABC gave 117 Ohio Water and Wastewater exams in August 2018.

WebEx meeting at 10:30 AM with New Mexico Environment Department to review their Water Supply Class 2 exam for reciprocity.

At 11:41 AM, James Gellner made a motion to move into executive session to discuss the investigation of charges or complaints against licensees or regulated individuals. Mark Verbsky seconded the motion. Motion carried.

At 11:44 AM, Thomas Jedlinsky made a motion to move out of executive session. William Bowers seconded the motion. Motion carried.

At 11:51 PM, Mark Verbsky made a motion to adjourn the meeting. James Gellner seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The next Council meeting will be held in Ohio EPA Conference Room B on Thursday, October 18, 2018.

Council Approved: November 15, 2018