

Minutes of the Operator Certification Advisory Council November 17, 2016

The Advisory Council met on Thursday, November 17, 2016. Members attending were: Richard Reed, member and chairman; Beth Darnell, member; Tom Jedlinsky, member; Terry Meister, member; Tracey Phelps, member; Verna Arnette, member; Scott Foster, member; Mark Verbsky, member; Nush Courlas, Certification Unit; Susan Parkins, Certification Unit; Kevin Jarrell, Certification Unit; Andy Barienbrock, OR&C.

The Council meeting was called to order at approximately 9:12 a.m. in EPA Conference Room B.

After a review of the Council minutes for the October 20, 2016 meeting, Scott Foster made a motion to approve the minutes. Beth Darnell seconded the motion. Motion carried.

1) Class IV, Examinations (In review)

Water

NAME, LOCATION	MV	BD	VA	TJ	SF	TP	RR	TM
William Wallace, City of Columbus 1 st Submittal, 4 copies	**s	**	**	**				

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Wastewater

NAME, LOCATION	MV	BD	VA	TJ	SF	TP	RR	TM
Brian Blum, City of North Olmsted 2 nd submittal, 4 copies					**	**	**	**s

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2) Class IV Actions

WATER

NAME	EMPLOYER	ACTION
Orin A. McMonigle	City of Lorain	Table for further review
Gregory K. Yuronich	Avon Lake	Recommend passing

WASTEWATER

NAME	EMPLOYER	ACTION
Eric W. Haddix	Warren County	Recommend passing
Deborah L. Klosz	NEORS	Return for additional information
Gerald Ondo, Jr.	Lake County	Return for additional information

Mark Verbsky made a motion to recommend passing the examinations of Gregory K. Yuronich and Eric W. Haddix, tabling the examination of Orin McMonigle, and returning the examinations of Deborah Klosz and Gerald Ondo, Jr. for additional information. Tracey Phelps seconded the motion. Motion carried. Terry Meister abstained.

3) Extensions

There were no extension requests received between the October 20, 2016 and November 17, 2016 Council meetings.

4) Reciprocity

John P. McGinnis, Jr. has held a Wastewater Treatment Class A certification with the State of Florida since August 14, 2013. Florida did not use ABC exams when Mr. McGinnis became certified and is unwilling to share a representative copy of the examination he took for certification.

Scott Foster made a motion to recommend denying the request of Mr. McGinnis for reciprocity. Terry Meister seconded the motion. Motion carried.

5) Certifications Issued

Thirty-three Third Party Exam, Reciprocity and Operator-in-Training (OIT) applications approved and certificates issued between the October 20, 2016 and November 17, 2016 Council meetings.

Name	Certificate Type	Classification	Issue Date
William D Davis	Wastewater Collection	2	11/3/2016
James V Buckmon	Wastewater Collection	1	11/4/2016
Andrew A Dietz	Wastewater Collection	1	11/7/2016
Paul Kosar	Wastewater Treatment	1	10/21/2016
Robert Neill	Wastewater Treatment	2	10/24/2016
Ryan N West	Wastewater Treatment	1	10/25/2016
Sean Griesdorn	Wastewater Treatment	1	10/31/2016
John A Knowles	Wastewater Treatment	2	11/1/2016
Wyatt D Wiseman	Wastewater Treatment	1	11/2/2016
Mark O Armstrong	Wastewater Treatment	1	11/3/2016
Noel J Domanowski	Wastewater Treatment	1	11/3/2016
Franklin L Foltz, Jr	Wastewater Treatment	2	11/3/2016
Ryan E Brown	Wastewater Treatment	3	11/3/2016
Sean P Withrow	Wastewater Treatment	1	11/7/2016
Sherr Vue	Wastewater Treatment	1	11/7/2016
Robert E Byrer	Wastewater Treatment	2	11/7/2016
Zac D Wilson	Wastewater Treatment	2	11/7/2016
Zachary K Bedard	Wastewater Treatment	3	11/7/2016
Richard M Hess	Wastewater Treatment	3	11/7/2016
Brian D Palmer	Water Distribution	1	11/2/2016
Ross Tucker	Water Distribution	1	11/3/2016
Alonzo C Havens	Water Distribution	1	11/7/2016
Shawn E Ackley	Water Supply	2	10/21/2016
Marino S Watts	Water Supply	2	10/21/2016
Eric D Kincaid	Water Supply	1	10/25/2016

Dennis J Palmentera	Water Supply	1	10/27/2016
Michael D Yaksic	Water Supply	1	11/2/2016
Seth M Hipply	Water Supply	2	11/2/2016
Erik C Fulton	Water Supply	2	11/2/2016
Michael S Lazusky	Water Supply	1	11/3/2016
Trent Wilhelm	Water Supply	2	11/3/2016
Neftali Velazquez	Water Supply	1	11/7/2016
Tim Tripodi	Water Supply	1	11/8/2016

6) Exam Review

Water and wastewater examination results and questions from the traditional exams held in Columbus, Ohio on November 9, 2016 and November 10, 2016 were reviewed and discussed.

7) Other Business

Council reviewed the educational requirements, credentials, and syllabi for a Certificate in Municipal Wastewater Treatment and a Certificate in Water Distribution Technology from Green River College, Auburn Washington.

Scott Foster made a motion recommending the Municipal Wastewater Treatment Certificate be recognized as one year of wastewater operating experience and the Water Distribution Technology Certificate be recognized as one year of water operating experience. Terry Meister seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

Between the October 20, 2016 and November 17, 2016 Council meetings, Class IV applications were approved for Wilkie L. Mitchell (WW); Jeff T. Heringhaus (WS); Christopher K. York (WS); Thomas F. Sanderson (WW); and Robert D. Jennings (WS).

At 11:28 a.m. Mark Verbsky made a motion to move into executive session. Tracey Phelps seconded the motion. Motion carried.

At 11:42 a.m. Mark Verbsky made a motion to move out of executive session. Tom Jedlinsky seconded the motion. Motion carried.

At 11:43 p.m. Mark Verbsky made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Scott Foster seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The next Advisory Council meeting will be held Thursday, December 15, 2016, in Ohio EPA Conference Room B at 9:00 a.m. There will be a Class IV presentation beginning at 9:00 a.m. in Ohio EPA Conference Room A.

Council Approved: December 15, 2016