

Minutes of the Operator Certification Advisory Council December 21, 2017

The Advisory Council met on Thursday, December 21, 2017. 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; Kevin Jarrell, Certification Unit; Andy Barienbrock, OR&C.

A Class IV presentation began at 9:05 a.m. in Conference Room A and was attended by Ernest V Shafer, Bryan Livingston, and Greg Doubikin.

At 10:05 a.m., the Advisory Council meeting was called to order in Ohio EPA Conference Room B. Andy Barienbrock arrived at the meeting at 10:10 a.m.

After a review of the Council minutes for November 16, 2017 meeting, James Gellner made a motion to approve the minutes. Tracey Phelps seconded the motion. Motion carried.

1) Class IV, Examinations (In review)

Water

NAME, LOCATION	MV	WB	VA	TJ	MD	TP	JG	TM
Cory R. Henslee City of Columbus, 1 st submittal	**	**s	**		**			

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

Wastewater

NAME, LOCATION	MV	WB	VA	TJ	MD	TP	JG	TM
Robert G. Coker City of Mansfield, 3 rd submittal					**	**	**s	**

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2) Class IV Actions

WATER

NAME	EMPLOYER	ACTION
No Class IV Water Exams distributed October 19, 2017.		

WASTEWATER

NAME	EMPLOYER	ACTION
Marill A. Clay	Montgomery County	Recommend passing
CarrieAnne Rosemark	Rocky River	Recommend passing

Mark Verbsky made a motion to recommend passing Marrill Clay and CarrieAnne Rosemark. Marco Deshaies seconded the motion. Motion carried. James Gellner abstained.

3) Extensions

Brent Smith, Clermont County, has requested an extension to complete the second submittal of his Class IV Water Treatment examination. His request was received on November 29, 2017. His Class IV second submittal is due on December 31, 2017. He has not requested an extension previously.

Mark Verbsky made a motion to grant Brent Smith an extension until June 31, 2018, to submit his second submittal of his Class IV examination. Tom Jedlinsky seconded the motion. Motion carried.

4) Reciprocity

Robert Gentile has held a Wastewater Treatment Class A from Pennsylvania since October 16, 2009 and is valid until September 30, 2018. Pennsylvania's lowest wastewater certification is E and A is the highest. Mr. Gentile received his certificate through reciprocity with Ohio. He held an Ohio Wastewater Treatment Class IV certificate (issued on March 26, 1999) until 12/31/2015.

Mark Verbsky made a motion to table Robert Gentile's reciprocity request. James Gellner seconded the motion. Motion carried.

5) Certifications Issued

Thirty-Five Third Party Exam, Reciprocity and Operator-in-Training (OIT) applications were approved between November 16, 2017 and December 21, 2017. Certificates were issued to:

First Name	Middle	Last Name	Type	Class
James	C	Bailey	Water Supply	2
Robert	B	Bainter	Water Supply	1
Aaron		Brown	Water Supply	1
Joseph	F	Campbell	Water Supply	1
Matthew	P	Choma	Wastewater Treatment	2
Matthew	P	Choma	Water Distribution	2
Alex	J	Damman	Water Supply	3
Orville	L	Davis	Water Supply	3
Benjamin	W	Ellsesser	Water Supply	1
Jack	D	Engle	Water Supply	1
Jack	R	Gaydar	Water Supply	2
Daniel	A	Hall	Water Supply	1
Kyle	L	Henthorn	Water Supply	1
Darren	T	Johnson	Wastewater Treatment	2
Benjamin	W	Johnston	Wastewater Collection	2
Jason	M	Kupfersmith	Wastewater Treatment	1
Wayne	L	Coleman, II	Wastewater Treatment	1
Christopher	L	Lavery	Wastewater Treatment	2
Johnathan	D	Lehew	Water Supply	1

Marcus	A	Leibas	Wastewater Treatment	3
Keith	A	Lutsock	Water Distribution	1
Nick		Maniskas	Water Distribution	1
Christopher		Miller	Wastewater Collection	1
Mitchell	J	Miller	Wastewater Treatment	2
Jay		Mosley	Water Supply	1
Christine	A	Myers	Water Distribution	2
Patti	J	Perry	Water Supply	3
Amanda	L	Ruozzo	Water Supply	1
Jessica	L	Rushin	Water Supply	1
Darrin	R	Sevitz	Water Supply	3
Ben	E	Shuman	Wastewater Treatment	2
Bennett	J	Stamper	Water Supply	1
Dianna	L	Stone	Wastewater Collection	1
Daniel	B	Ward	Water Supply	2
Michael	E	Wells	Water Distribution	2
Trent		Wilhelm	Water Supply	3

6) Other Business

Robert Gomez, Jr has requested reinstatement of his Class 1 Wastewater Treatment and Class 1 Water Supply certificates.

Robert B. Armstrong has requested reinstatement of his Class 1 Wastewater Treatment and Class 1 Water Supply certificates.

Andrew Griner has requested reinstatement of his Class 1 Wastewater Treatment and Class 1 Water Supply certificates.

Marco Deshaies made a motion to reinstate Robert Gomez, Jr's, Robert B. Armstrong's, and Andrew Griner's Class 1 Wastewater Treatment and Class 1 Water Supply certificates. Verna Arnette seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Review of Hocking College's Associate of Technical Study in Natural Resources Major in Water and Wastewater Management for experience credit.

William Bowers made a motion to accept Hocking College's Associate of Technical Study in Natural Resources Major in Water and Wastewater Management as an acceptable degree for experience reduction equivalent to an acceptable bachelor's degree. Tracey Phelps seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Between the November 16, 2017 and December 21, 2017 Council meetings, Class IV applications were approved for the following: Gregory A. Doubikin (WW), Cory G. Smith (WW), Chris A. Melvin (WW), and Aly Abou Ouermi (WW).

According Ohio EPA's records, ABC gave 126 Ohio Water and Wastewater exams in November 2017. So far, this calendar year, ABC gave 1243 Ohio Water and Wastewater exams.

The next Council meeting will be held in Ohio EPA Conference Room B on Thursday, December 21, 2017. There will be a Class IV presentation beginning at 9:00 a.m. in Ohio EPA Conference Room B.

At 11:08 Tom Jedlinsky made a motion to move into executive session to discuss the investigation of charges or complaints against licensees or regulated individuals. James Gellner seconded the motion. Motion carried.

At 11:28 Mark Verbsky made a motion to move out of executive session. Tom Jedlinsky seconded the motion. Motion carried.

At 11:45 James Gellner made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Tracey Phelps seconded the motion. Motion carried.

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

Council Approved: January 18, 2018