

Minutes of the Operator Certification Advisory Council December 17, 2020

The Advisory Council met on Thursday, December 17, 2020. Members attending were: William Bowers; member; Mark Verbsky, member; Marco Deshaies; member, CarrieAnne McConnell; member, Tracey Phelps; member, James Gellner; member, Todd Hone; member, and Tom Jedlinsky; member. Ohio EPA staff in attendance were Andrew Barienbrock, Vanessa Consolo and Peter Simcic.

At 9:00 AM, the Virtual Class IV presentation occurred via Microsoft Teams.

At 10:21 AM the December Advisory Council Meeting was called to order via Microsoft Teams.

After review of the council minutes for November 12, 2020, William Bowers made a motion to approve the minutes. Todd Hone seconded the motion. Motion carried.

1) Class IV, Examinations (In review)

Water

NAME, LOCATION	MV	WB	TH	TJ	MD	TP	JG	CM
Franco Noce, Lake County, 3 rd submittal	**		**	**S			**	

** assigned to review x reviewed package
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Wastewater

NAME, LOCATION	MV	WB	TH	TJ	MD	TP	JG	CM
Ben Tedrick, NEORS, 1 st submittal	**	**		**	**S			

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2) Class IV Actions

Water

NAME, EMPLOYER, SUBMITTAL	ACTION
Danine Schultz (Berea) 1 st submittal	Recommend Return
Bill Burch (Sandusky) 1 st submittal	Recommend Return

Wastewater

NAME, EMPLOYER, SUBMITTAL	ACTION
Chris Melvin (Piqua) 1 st submittal	Recommend Return
Kimberly Brown (City of Columbus) 3 rd submittal	Recommend Fail

Mark Verbsky made a motion to return Danine Schultz, Bill Burch, Chris Melvin and fail Kimberly Brown. Todd Hone seconded the motion. James Gellner and Tracey Phelps abstained. Motion carried.

3) Extensions

John Lee (WS, City of Newark) requested an extension on his 2nd Class IV submittal that is due on December 26, 2020. He has previously been granted an extension on this submittal.

Brian Lierl (WS, City of Cincinnati) requested an extension on his 2nd Class IV submittal that is due on January 12, 2021. He has not previously requested an extension.

CarrieAnne McConnell made a motion to grant John Lee and Brian Lierl 6-month extensions. Mark Verbsky seconded the motion. Motion carried.

4) Reciprocity

Adam Federau has held a Wastewater Treatment Class I license from Illinois since July 11, 2017. Illinois' lowest certification is a Class 4 and highest is a Class 1.

Steven Autiello has held a Water Distribution T-1 from Maryland since October 1st, 2019. Maryland's lowest certification is a Class 1 and highest is a Class 4. He passed an ABC exam.

Travis Menezes has held a Water Treatment Class 3 from Washington State. Washington's lowest certification is a Class 1 and highest is a Class 4. He passed an ABC exam.

Haitham Khalil has held a Water Treatment Plant Class I license from Arizona since November 21, 2019. Arizona's lowest certification is a Class 1 and highest is a Class 4. He passed an ABC exam.

Todd Hone made a motion to reject Adam Federau's request due to Illinois not being able to share their exam, grant Steven Autiello an Ohio Water Supply Class I certification, grant Travis Menezes an Ohio Water Supply Class II Certification and grant Haitham Khalil an Ohio Water Supply Class I Certification. Mark Verbsky seconded the motion. Motion carried.

5) Certifications Issued

59 Third Party Exam, Ohio EPA, Reciprocity and Operator-in-Training (OIT) applications were approved between November 12, 2020 and December 16, 2020. Certificates were issued to:

First Name	Middle	Last Name	Type	Class
Amy	S	Elliott	Water Supply	4
Kimberly		Laquatra	Wastewater Treatment	4
Darius	P. N.	Johnson	Water Supply	4
Colin	R	Baker	Wastewater Treatment	1
Matthew	H	Casey	Wastewater Treatment	2
Amy	L	Gatsios	Water Supply	1
Wes		Davis	Water Distribution	1
Christopher	C	Ronski	Wastewater Treatment	2
Michael	W	Foster	Water Supply	1
Gordon	M	Pool	Wastewater Treatment	2
Tibor		Baki	Water Supply	1
Javon		Carter	Wastewater Treatment	2
Huot (Tony)	H	Ly	Wastewater Treatment	2
Jenna	L	Guth	Water Supply	2
Christopher	T	Smith	Water Distribution	2

Thomas		Puckett	Water Distribution	1
Jammie	J	Flores	Water Supply	3
Jared	A	George	Water Supply	1
Russell	L	Haning	Wastewater Treatment	1
David		Nichols	Water Supply	1
William		Donnadio	Water Distribution	1
Daniel	R	Wilson	Water Distribution	2
Jarod	S	Balderson	Water Supply	2
Travis	R	Van Arnam	Water Supply	1
Travis		Rodriguez	Wastewater Treatment	1
Mason	J	Bader	Water Supply	2
Ryan	K	Lakes	Water Supply	3
Alex		Trentman	Wastewater Treatment	2
Drew	A	Olesen	Water Supply	1
Joseph	L	Casteel	Water Supply	2
Jacob		Reckner	Wastewater Treatment	1
Steven	W	Watkins	Wastewater Collection	1
Jedidiah		Hendershott	Wastewater Treatment	1
Brandon		Ashcraft	Wastewater Collection	1
Cynthia	A	Biacofsky	Wastewater Treatment	2
Adam	J	Crooks	Water Supply	1
Blake	R	Misch	Wastewater Treatment	1
David		Dovala	Water Distribution	1
Michael	E	Grano	Water Supply	2
Samuel		Klassen	Wastewater Treatment	2
Chad	A	Fitzenrider	Water Supply	3
Brian	M	Strayer	Water Distribution	1
Donald	A	Burns	Wastewater Collection	1
Sam		Schroeder	Wastewater Treatment	1
John		Burr	Water Supply	1
Adam	N	Carpenter	Water Supply	1
Scott		Raimann	Water Supply	2
Andrew	J	Blank	Water Supply	1
Randal	M	Hawkins	Wastewater Treatment	1
Shadrack		Ampomah	Wastewater Treatment	2
Zac	D	Wilson	Wastewater Treatment	3
Michael		Watkins	Water Supply	1
James	A	Miller	Water Supply	2
Benjamin		Meshulam	Wastewater Treatment	1
Robert	E	Culp	Wastewater Treatment	3
Trevor	M	Leis	Wastewater Treatment	1
John	J	Lehnert	Water Supply	1
Caleb	J	Webb	Water Supply	1
Paige		Petersen	Water Supply	A

6) Other Business

Between the November 12, 2020 and December 17, 2020 Council meetings, three Class IV applications have been approved for Tim Newland (WS, City of Bellefontaine), Christine Minor (WT, City of Toledo) and Nick Barille (WT, Rocky River WWTP).

According to Ohio EPA's records, ABC gave 167 Ohio Water and Wastewater exams in November 2020.

At 11:11 AM, Mark Verbsky made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Todd Hone seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The next Council meeting is scheduled to occur on January 21, 2021.

Council Approved: 01212021