

# Minutes of the Operator Certification Advisory Council February 18, 2021

The Advisory Council met on Thursday, February 18, 2021. 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, Colt Bush and Peter Simcic. Kevin Aiken, Christopher Zdinak and Juan Garza were also in attendance.

At 9:02 AM the February Advisory Council Meeting was called to order via Microsoft Teams.

After review of the council minutes for January 21, 2021, Mark Verbsky 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
Cheri Woody, Greater Cincinnati Water Works, 2 <sup>nd</sup> submittal	**	**S		**		**		

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### Wastewater

NAME, LOCATION	MV	WB	TH	TJ	MD	TP	JG	CM
Doug Dixon, City of Columbus, 2 <sup>nd</sup> submittal		**		**	**			**S
Randy Davis, Clermont County, 2 <sup>nd</sup> submittal				**	**	**S		**
Cathleen Glisic, NEORSD, 2 <sup>nd</sup> submittal	**	**		**	**S			

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## 2) Class IV Actions

### Water

NAME, EMPLOYER, SUBMITTAL	ACTION
Matthew Hampton (Village of Archbold)- 1 <sup>st</sup> submittal	Recommend Return

### Wastewater

NAME, EMPLOYER, SUBMITTAL	ACTION
Kevin Aiken, City of Painesville, 2 <sup>nd</sup> submittal	Recommend Pass
William Durst, Trumbull County, 2 <sup>nd</sup> submittal	Recommend Return
Paul Joseph, Youngstown, 3 <sup>rd</sup> submittal	Recommend Pass
Andrew Blowers, City of Ashland, 3 <sup>rd</sup> submittal	Recommend Pass
Ed (Leon) Smith, City of Mason, 3 <sup>rd</sup> submittal	Recommend Pass

Mark Verbsky made a motion to return Matthew Hampton and William Durst, pass Paul Joseph, Andrew Blowers and Ed Smith, and pass Kevin Aiken pending review of others. William Bowers seconded the motion. Motion carried.

### 3) Extensions

Brent Smith (Clermont County) requested an extension on his 2<sup>nd</sup> Class IV submittal. He had previously requested/was approved for an extension on his 2<sup>nd</sup> Class IV submittal.

Mark Verbsky made a motion to table the extension request until further information is received. Marco Deshaies seconded the motion. Motion carried.

### 4) Reciprocity

No reciprocity requests were received.

### 5) Transcript Review

Benjamin Lybrook's Environmental Geosciences (GIS) degree from Clarion University of Pennsylvania were reviewed.

CarrieAnne McConnell made a motion to deny Benjamin's Lybrook's request to utilize the Environmental Geosciences (GIS) degree towards operating experience time due to the lack of applicable coursework. Marco Deshaies seconded the motion. Motion carried.

### 6) Certifications Issued

52 Third Party Exam, Ohio EPA, Reciprocity and Operator-in-Training (OIT) applications were approved between January 21, 2021 and February 17, 2021. Certificates were issued to:

First Name	Middle	Last Name	Type	Class
Franco		Noce	Water Supply	4
Timothy		Koncsol	Wastewater Treatment	1
Cody	J	Klass	Water Distribution	1
Zachary	D	Smith	Water Supply	1
David		Brown	Wastewater Treatment	1
Eric	A	Dohoney	Wastewater Treatment	1
Travis		Menezes	Water Supply	2
Benjamin	P	Lybrook	Water Supply	1
Connor		Johnson	Water Supply	1
Jonathan	C	Sears	Water Distribution	1
Hunter	C	Walls	Wastewater Treatment	3
Ryan		Braatz	Water Distribution	2
Ryan		Braatz	Water Supply	2
Bradley	J	Travis	Wastewater Treatment	1
Michael	D	Painter	Wastewater Treatment	1
William	W	Crozier	Water Supply	1
Brandon		Cotterman	Wastewater Treatment	1
Cody		Ferrebee	Water Distribution	1
Phillip		Gattis	Water Distribution	1
Ryan	N	West	Wastewater Treatment	2

James	R	Dunning	Water Supply	3
Mehmet		Okan	Wastewater Treatment	1
David		Simon	Water Distribution	1
Gale	D	Cotton	Water Distribution	1
Tracy	R	Kump	Water Supply	3
Daniel	P	Baeslack	Water Distribution	1
Quintin	W	Baker	Water Supply	1
Noah		Ganger	Water Supply	2
Joseph	A	Okolish	Water Distribution	2
Diane		Roush	Water Supply	1
Rhett		Laughman	Water Supply	1
Jeremiah		Lemons	Wastewater Treatment	1
Christopher	R	Miller	Wastewater Treatment	1
Alan	K	Bushey	Water Supply	1
Sean	W	Roose	Wastewater Treatment	2
Sean	W	Roose	Water Supply	2
Matthew	J	Smith	Water Supply	1
Evan		Jones	Water Supply	2
Tyree		Penman	Water Supply	2
Stephen	L	Marable	Wastewater Collection	1
Jason	W	Boreman	Water Distribution	1
Nicholas		Merchant-Wells	Wastewater Treatment	2
Erin	J	Edens	Water Supply	1
Brandon		Lockhart	Water Supply	2
Hank	A	Curry	Water Supply	2
George	T	Bombaugh	Wastewater Treatment	2
Nicholas	O	Kennedy	Water Supply	1
Jason	G	Tron	Wastewater Treatment	1
Lindsey		Alexander	Wastewater Treatment	1
Jacob		Schumpert	Water Supply	1
Harold	E	Hodgson, Jr	Water Supply	1
Kyla	M	McKee	Water Supply	3

## 7) Other Business

Juan Garza and Christopher Zdinak met with the Council to discuss their Class IV submittals.

Between the January 21, 2020 and February 18, 2021 Council meetings, applications were approved for Deborah Houndeshell (WW, City of Canton), Daniel Bond (WS, Ottawa County), Dennis Hartman (WS, City of Dayton), Brandon Turner (WS, City of Dayton), Jeremy Ray (WS, City of Toledo).

According to Ohio EPA's records, ABC gave 148 Ohio Water and Wastewater exams in January 2021.

At 10:11 AM, Marco Deshaies made a motion to adjourn the meeting. William Bowers seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The next Council meeting and Class IV presentation are scheduled to occur on March 18, 2021.

**Council Approved: 03182021**