



**BOARD OF CERTIFICATION OF OPERATORS
OF WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITIES**

MEETING MINUTES: WEDNESDAY, July 2, 2014

Members in Attendance: Dr. Janet Baldwin, Frank McLynch, Bill Patenaude and Jon Schock
Others in Attendance: David Salvador, Cranston WWTF
Traci Pena, RIDEM

The first order of business was the review of an application from a Mr. David Salvador who is seeking Grade 4 reciprocity via the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

After discussion and review of Mr. Salvador's application Mr. Patenaude motioned to allow him to sit for the summer 2014 Grade 4 exam. Mr. Schock seconded the motion. All eligible members voted in favor, as such the motion passed. Mr. McLynch abstained from the vote.

Mr. Patenaude updated the Board on the training aspect of a Settlement Agreement. Individuals suggested a training course on a primary clarifier incident as a case study. Mr. Patenaude suggested that they present at a Boot Camp session and combine with a superintendent conference. Mr. Schock thought the intent was to report to those in direct responsible charge and let them know what the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management expects when reporting requirements. Dr. Baldwin suggested having an online training program so others could benefit.

Letters were sent to start the revocation process for non-renewal. No operators chose to take benefit of the hearing process. As a matter of record those individuals who have chosen to let his/her license expire names were read. The following is the list: David Abbamonte, Larry Banek, Robert Belisle, Ray Boucher, Thomas Browning, Richard Camara, Nancy Coolidge, David Frausto, Michael Hamel, Wayne Hitchner, Keith Hollins, Michael King, John Kostyla, Christopher Lahousse, William Petrarca, Mark Lotring, Jesus Mantanzo, Adam Mastrostefano, James McCullough, Bradford Stetson and Matthew White.

Mr. Patenaude will be working on making regulatory updates.

The summer 2014 Wastewater Operator exams will take place on August 12, 2014.

With no further business, Mr. Patenaude motioned to adjourn. Mr. Schock seconded, with all member voting in favor, the motion passed.

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, August 6, 2014 at 9:30 a.m. at the RIDEM-Office of Water Resources Room 280 located at 235 Promenade Street, Providence, RI.