



Kentucky Rural Water Association

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October 18, 2005

Ms. Beth O'Donnell, Executive Director
Public Service Commission
P. O. Box 615
Frankfort, KY 40602-0615

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Case No. 2005-00526

Dear Ms. O'Donnell:

Kentucky Rural Water Association hosted three (3) regional meetings during the month of July, 2005. We are requesting that this training be approved for commissioners as referenced in HB-75, KRS 74.020.

Please find enclosed a training summary for these meetings which includes a timed agenda, a description of the sessions, and speaker biographies. Two (2) hours of continuing education credit was approved by the Division of Water for drinking water treatment and distribution operators. A copy of their approval is also enclosed.

With this letter and enclosures, Kentucky Rural Water Association is requesting the approval of two (2) hours per session for commissioner and board member training. If additional information is needed, please do not hesitate to call.

Sincerely,

Phillip East

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Education Services Director

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Enclosures

Kentucky Rural Water Association – Regional Meeting

Course Title: Northeast Regional Meeting
Location: Ponderosa Steak House - Morehead, Kentucky
Date: July 19, 2005

Division of Water Assigned Course Number:

Learning Objectives:

The objective is to address the methods of producing and delivering public notifications to consumers and dealing with the public relations issues may result. Operators and decision makers will learn about causes for public notices, how to use some of the guidance documents and programs that are available to produce a public notice, regulatory requirements of a public notice, and ways to maintain good public relations after a public notice has been distributed.

Criteria for Training Credits:

Following a meal, the training portion of the meeting will be conducted from 6:30 PM until 8:30 PM. Operators will be granted credit for actual time attending or participating in the training sessions. The maximum number of training credit hours for this meeting will be two (2) hours.

Topic: Public Notification
Presenters: Phillip East, Kentucky Rural Water Association
Clem Wethington, Kentucky Rural Water Association

This session will provide two (2) hours of training and will focus on public notification requirements. The presentation will include:

1. Reasons for issuing a public notice
2. Developing and distributing a public notice
3. EPA Guidance Documents and Templates
4. Maintaining consumer confidence and public relations

Kentucky Rural Water Association – Regional Meeting

Course Title: Green River Regional Meeting
Location: Community Building - Calhoun, Kentucky
Date: July 21, 2005

Division of Water Assigned Course Number:

Learning Objectives:

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Kentucky Rural Water Association – Regional Meeting

Course Title: Western Regional Meeting
Location: Ponderosa Steak House - Draffenville, Kentucky
Date: July 28, 2005

Division of Water Assigned Course Number:

Learning Objectives:

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BIOGRAPHY

Phillip N. East **Education Services Director** **Kentucky Rural Water Association**

Prior to coming to work as a Circuit Rider for the Kentucky Rural Water Association (KRWA) in September 1996, Phillip East served as Water Treatment Superintendent for the City of Franklin, Kentucky. Before moving to Kentucky, Mr. East worked as Treatment Plant Operator for the Hendersonville Utility District in Hendersonville, Tennessee. Phillip has served as the Education Services Director for KRWA since 1997.

Mr. East has also worked for the City of Odessa, Texas and the City of Austin, Texas where he worked his way up through the ranks serving as Chemical and Filter Operator, Instrument Technician, Maintenance Mechanic Foreman, Chief Operator, Assistant Plant Superintendent, Plant Supervisor, and Plant Operations Supervisor. Mr. East, who has over twenty years of experience, has worked with ground and surface water systems utilizing Accelerated Solids Contact and conventional treatment processes in plants ranging from 5 MGD to 60 MGD.

Mr. East earned a Bachelor of Science Degree from the University of Texas at Austin and has completed graduate work in Public Administration at South West Texas State University at San Marcos, Texas.

In addition to having been a member of the Capital Area Water and Wastewater Association in Texas, the Texas Water Utilities Association, and the American Water Works Association, Mr. East currently holds water treatment certification in Texas, Tennessee and Kentucky at the highest available technical levels.

Phillip and his wife, Joyce, reside with their son, Jeffrey, in Allen County, Kentucky. Another son, Jonathon, lives in Gatlinburg, Tennessee and daughter, Kimberly, lives in Nashville, Tennessee.

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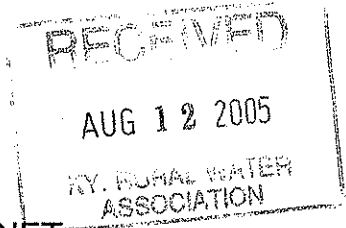
CLEM WETHINGTON

Clem Wethington came to Kentucky Rural Water Association in 1987 from the City of Eddyville where he was Superintendent of Public Works for over eight years. For nine years he served on the Eddyville City Council. Clem holds the following licenses: Class IIIA Kentucky Water Treatment Plant Operator's License, Class II Kentucky Water Distribution System Operator's License, and Class I Kentucky Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator's License.

Mr. Wethington held the position of Circuit Rider with Kentucky Rural Water Association from June 1987, to March 1991. His primary duties as Circuit Rider were to provide technical assistance and hands-on training to rural water utility personnel throughout Kentucky. In 1988, Wethington received the "Rookie Circuit Rider of the Year" award from the National Rural Water Association (NRWA). He was also a contributing author of a Rural and Small System Training Guide entitled "An Introduction to Hydrant Operation and Maintenance" published by the National Rural Water Association in 1989.

Mr. Wethington's position with KRWA from March 1991, to March 1994, was that of Groundwater Technician. In that capacity, he worked with communities throughout Kentucky to help them develop local wellhead protection plans. In 1993, Mr. Wethington was named "Groundwater Technician of the Year" by NRWA. In March 1994, Mr. Wethington returned as a Circuit Rider for a brief period and then became Program Specialist in February 1995. The Program Specialist is dually responsible for providing training and technical assistance to water systems. Clem was awarded the honor of "Training Specialist of the Year" by the NRWA in 1999.

Clem, a native of Casey County, Kentucky, resides in Eddyville, Kentucky with his wife, Maxine. They have three children. Clem enjoys outdoor activities including working in the yard, fishing, backpacking, canoeing, and golf. Another hobby includes listening to and singing gospel music.



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August 4, 2005

Kentucky Rural Water Association
Attn: Clem Wethington
P.O. Box 1424
Bowling Green, KY 42104-1424

Dear Mr. Wethington:

At the July 2005 meeting of the Kentucky Board of Certification of Drinking Water Treatment and Distribution System Operators, your training request was reviewed.

Results: Approved

Title: North East Regional Meeting

Date: 7/19/05

Hours Approved and type: 2 hours drinking water continuing education credit

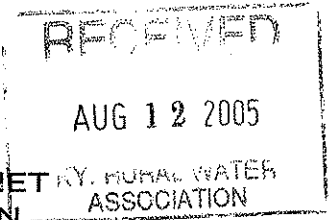
DCA Event ID #: 3468

Within thirty days of completion of the course, please forward to this office, a list of attendees. Include their appropriate water treatment and/or water distribution certification number and the hours earned by each. When forwarding this information, please reference the DCA event ID number provided above.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact the Division of Compliance Assistance, Operator Certification at (502) 564-0323

Sincerely,

Lisa Butler
Division of Compliance Assistance
Operator Certification



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Results: Approved

Title: Green River Regional Meeting

Date: 7/21/05

Hours Approved and type: 2 hours drinking water continuing education credit

DCA Event ID #: 3467

Within thirty days of completion of the course, please forward to this office, a list of attendees. Include their appropriate water treatment and/or water distribution certification number and the hours earned by each. When forwarding this information, please reference the DCA event ID number provided above.

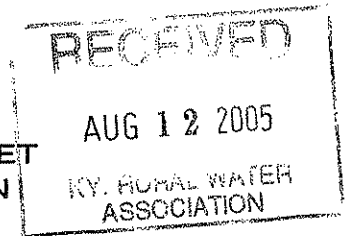
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August 8, 2005

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Results: Approved

Title: Western Regional Meeting

Date: 7/28/05

Hours Approved and type: 2 hours drinking water continuing education credit

DCA Event ID #: 3473

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