

**Approved Minutes  
Operator Certification Board Meeting  
September 13, 2011  
Huron Events Center-Huron**

**Members Present:** Del DeBoer, Clint Jost, Tom Lesselyoung, Bill Sarringar, Tim McGannon, Dave VanCleave

**Members Absent:** None

**Others Present:** Rob Kittay-Secretary to the Board, Gavin Graverson and Mike Lund-Sioux Falls, and Jim Zeck-SDARWS

Call to Order by Chairperson DeBoer at 2:00 pm.

**Approval of Agenda:** Sarringar moved to approve the amended agenda. Jost seconded. Motion passed.

**Approval of Minutes:** The minutes were passed out. McGannon moved to approve the minutes from the last meeting. Lesselyoung seconded. Motion passed.

**Old Business:** There was no old business.

**Reciprocity:** Dan Cook has a MN Class B Water System. This certification most closely aligns with the SD Class III. DeBoer moved to approve a Class III Water Treatment certificate thru reciprocity. Jost seconded. Motion passed.

Jason McBride has a MN Class C Water System certificate. This certification most closely aligns with the SD Class II. Sarringar moved to approve a Class II Water Treatment certificate thru reciprocity. Van Cleave seconded. Motion passed.

**Final Hearings:** Mystic Hills Campground (SWT I)-No exams were attempted by this system. The certified letter notifying the system of this hearing had to be resent by regular mail after not being claimed. McGannon moved to send this system to enforcement. Lesselyoung seconded. Motion passed.

**Preliminary Hearings:** Maxwell Colony (WD I)-Certificate was suspended on February 2, 2010 for lack of contact hours. Paul Wipf's certificate will not be renewable as of February 1, 2012. Sarringar moved to hold a final hearing at the next board meeting. Jost seconded. Motion passed.

Pine Hills Park (WD I)-Certificate was suspended on February 2, 2010 for lack of contact hours. Craig Price's certificates will not be renewable as of February 1, 2012. Lesselyoung moved to hold a final hearing at the next board meeting. Sarringar seconded. Motion passed.

Siphon Hills (SWT I WD I)-A contract was submitted for Scott Licht to operate the system. The contract does not specifically state weekly on-site visits will be made. DeBoer moved to approve the contract with the stipulation that a weekly on-site visit will be specifically stated on the contract. Van Cleave seconded. Motion passed.

Summit (SWT I WD I)-There was a lack on contact hour issue for Summit; however, classes were attended. DENR is now waiting for the payment for the 2010 and 2011 renewals. Sarringar moved to hold a final hearing at the next board meeting. McGannon seconded. Motion passed.

Sinai (SWT I WD I)-A contract was submitted by Kingbrook RWS to operate the system. Kittay had previously reviewed the contract with Kingbrook RWS, and a few adjustments had been made. McGannon moved to approve the contract. Jost seconded. Motion passed.

**Contracts:** Forestburg Water Company-A contract was submitted for Richard Jensen, Woonsocket UM, to work at Forestburg. DENR has had a number of issues with this system and ordered that a chlorinator be installed. Jost moved to approve the contract. Lesselyoung seconded. Motion passed.

Valley Springs-A contract was submitted for the City of Brandon to operate the distribution system. Brandon had contracted previously with Valley Springs and Corson. Ryan Nussbaum, the new UM, has a WT I and WW I. Valley Springs will still lack a WWC I. McGannon moved to approve the contract. Jost seconded. Motion passed.

**Status of Certification**-The Board reviewed the latest status information on systems without certified operators. DeBoer moved to schedule preliminary hearings at the next Board meeting for the following systems.

System	Lacking Certifications
Britton	WW I WWC I
Mansfield Water	WD I
Skyline Heights	WD I
Triple T TC	WD I
Westport Sanitary District	WD I

Sarringar seconded. Motion passed.

**2010 Census Results-** The 2010 Census data is now available. A number of systems have changed certification classifications as follows-

System	2000 Population	2010 Population	Old Class	New Class
Big Stone City	605	467	I	None-WW only
Bridgewater	607	492	I	None-WW only
Hoven	511	406	I	None-WW only
Murdo	612	488	I	None-WW only
Presho	588	497	I	None-WW only
White	530	485	I	None-WW only
Wilmot	543	492	I	None-WW only
Dupree	434	525	None-WW only	I-WW only
Veblen	281	531	None-WW only	I-WW only
Harrisburg	958	4089	I-WD/WWC	II-WD/WWC
Miller	1530	1489	II-WD/WWC	I-WD/WWC
Mitchell	14,558	15,254	II-WD/WWC	III-WD/WWC

Volga	1435	1768	I-WD/WWC	II-WD/WWC
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The following regulation was discussed by the Board-

**74:21:02:37. Restricted certificates due to plant or system reclassifications.** *Within one year after a classification upgrading unrelated to a system or plant modification, the owner of a plant or system may request that its operator be granted a restricted certificate if the operator of the plant or system was certified so that the plant or system was in compliance with SDCL 34A-3 prior to its reclassification.*

*In considering the request, the secretary shall review the following:*

- (1) The magnitude of the change;*
- (2) The operator's training;*
- (3) The operator's past performance; and*
- (4) The recommendation of the board.*

*The secretary may grant or deny the request and shall notify the owner of the decision and the reasons therefore within 45 days. A restricted certificate granted pursuant to this section is valid only for the specified operator at the specified plant or system.*

The regulation allows for restricted certificates to be granted for previously certified operators. The Board felt that the systems that were not previously required to be certified could not be granted these restricted certificates.

**Other Business**-The Board inquired as when new water exams will be released by ABC. It has been a few years since the Board reviewed any exams. Kittay will ask ABC about the schedule.

Zeck asked about a single crib sheet for both water and wastewater exams based on ABC's crib sheets. Kittay stated he would look at the situation.

**Next Meeting**-Kittay will review the calendar and offer some dates for the next meeting to the Board members for approval.

Lesselyoung moved for adjournment. Jost seconded. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 3:00 pm.



September 19, 2011

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Rob Kittay

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Date