Building Better Water Rates in an Uncertain World
Hosted by the Connecticut Water Planning Council and the Alliance for Water Efficiency

March 16-17, 2021
Virtual 2-Day Workshop
Register for the workshop here.

March 16

9:00 am  Workshop Logistics and Welcome
Mary Ann Dickinson, Alliance for Water Efficiency
Jack Betkoski III, Connecticut Water Planning Council

9:10 am  Setting the Stage in Connecticut
Lori Mathieu, Connecticut Department of Public Health

9:40 am  Strategies for Aligning Rates, Revenue and Resources
Mary Ann Dickinson, Alliance for Water Efficiency
- Utility Financial Management: Becoming Harder Than Ever
- Cost-Effective Efficiency: The Real Impact on Rates
- Consumer Messaging

10:35 am  Break (10 minutes)

10:45 am  Effective Rate Modeling in an Uncertain World
Bill Christiansen, Alliance for Water Efficiency
- Probability Management and the Flaw of Averages
- AWE Sales Forecasting and Rate Model

11:45 am  Q&A (15 minutes)

12:00 pm  Adjourn

March 17

9:00 am  Opening Welcome
Jack Betkoski III, Connecticut Water Planning Council

9:05 am  Revenue Adjustment Mechanisms for Public Utilities: Options and Solutions
Dr. Janice Beecher, Institute of Public Utilities, Michigan State University
9:40 am  Driving Conservation Programs with Supportive Ratemaking Tools
Maureen Westbrook, President, Connecticut Water Company, Inc.

10:00 am  Water Supplier and Commissioner Perspectives: How to Get to Yes on Rates
Moderator: Mary Ann Dickinson
Jack Betkoski III, Water Planning Council
Rochelle Kowalski, Regional Water Authority of South Central Connecticut
Susan Bransfield, First Selectman, Town of Portland
David Silverstone, Independent Consumer Advocate
Senator Paul Formica, East Lyme

10:45 am  Rate Model Case Studies: Two Connecticut Water Supplier Examples
Bill Christiansen, Alliance for Water Efficiency

11:45 pm  Q&A and Future Steps

12:00 pm  Adjourn

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