



# STATE OF CONNECTICUT

## Board of Examiners of Environmental Professionals

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### MINUTES

## State Board of Examiners of Environmental Professionals

### Regular Meeting – November 14, 2019

#### A. Call to Order and Sign-In

A regular meeting of the State Board of Examiners of Environmental Professionals (“the Board”) was called to order on Thursday, November 14, 2019 at 9:34 AM in the Russell Room on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor, 79 Elm Street, Hartford, by Chair Kenneth Collette. Board members J. Adams, M. Gamache, R. Good (by phone), C. Violette, S. Holtman and Board Administrator K. Maiorano were present. David Wrinn (final 10 minutes) of the Attorney General’s Office, Jacques Gilbert of DEEP and Mike Cote representing EPOC also attended the meeting.

#### B. Reading and Approval of the Minutes

The draft minutes of the Regular Board meeting of October 2019 were read and approved; motion by M. Gamache, seconded by S. Holtman, passed unanimously.

#### C. Public Participation

No public comments.

#### D. Unfinished Business and General Orders

##### **Update on complaint #17-102**

K. Maiorano reported that a meeting with the LEP had been postponed.

##### **Update on complaints #18-102**

C. Violette and R. Good reported that a letter asking additional questions of the LEP had been prepared.

##### **Update on complaint #18-103**

M. Gamache and J. Adams reported that a meeting had been scheduled for December 11, 2019.

## **Update on complaints #19-101, 19-102 and 19-103**

S. Holtman reported that they had held a meeting with the person filing the complaint and had set up a meeting for December 5, 2019 with the LEP.

### **Criteria for Referral to the Board**

The final draft will be distributed to the Board for further discussion. Minor revisions were made to the document and on a motion by J. Adams, seconded by S. Holtman, the criteria were finalized.

## **E. New Business**

### **Course Approvals**

Course approval request from NGWA for conference titled “*NGWA Groundwater Week 2019*” for CECs. On a motion by C. Violette, seconded by J. Adams, credit was denied due to the structure of the meeting, numerous sessions that were not pertinent to LEPs and the absence of an attendance verification process. The vote was unanimous.

Course approval request from NGWA for course titled “*PFAS in Groundwater Workshop: The Professional’s Challenge*” for 6.17 CECs. On a motion by J. Adams, seconded by C. Violette, the course was approved unanimously for 6.75 credits.

Course approval request from NGWA for course titled “*Drilling Fundamentals for Hydrogeologists and Engineers*” for 7.07 CECs. On a motion by J. Adams, seconded by S. Holtman, the course was approved for 7.75 credits. C. Violette dissented.

- Course approval request from NGWA for CTLEP-058 course titled “*Applications of Groundwater Geochemistry*” revised to 14 CECs [previously approved for 21.5]. On a motion by S. Holtman, seconded by M. Gamache, the course was approved unanimously for 15.0 credits.

Course approval request from NGWA for CTLEP-456 course titled “*Groundwater/Surface Water Interactions: Field and Mathematical Approaches to Evaluating Groundwater Seepage and Attenuation*” revised to 15 CECs [previously approved for 14.75 CECs]. On a motion by S. Holtman, seconded by J. Adams, the course was approved unanimously for 16.0 credits.

### **FYI**

A letter was distributed that was sent to a former LEP that had let their license lapse, but still had LEP after their name on the company website. The former LEP complied and no further action is anticipated.

## **Board Meeting Discussion**

J. Adams proposed that a question be added to the next license renewal application asking the number of years that a licensee plans to practice. This question is in recognition of the age of the initial classes of LEPs and the need to maintain a critical number of qualified licensees to support the program. Based on the outcome there may be a need to revise statutes and/or regulations to provide an alternative status. Lowering or eliminating the continuing education requirement for LEPs with decades of LEP service may also be considered as a mechanism to reduce the cost of maintaining a license while coasting into retirement.

Next meeting is December 12, 2019 at 10:30AM. A holiday luncheon at the Republic Restaurant will follow the meeting.

## **F. Adjournment**

On a motion by M. Gamache, seconded by S. Holtman and passed unanimously, Chair Collette declared the meeting adjourned at 10:32 AM.

Minutes were approved on December 12, 2019.

Respectfully submitted,



John E. Adams  
Board Secretary