

# STATE OF CONNECTICUT

## Board of Examiners of Environmental Professionals

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### MINUTES

#### State Board of Examiners of Environmental Professionals

#### Regular Meeting – May 11, 2023

##### 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, May 11, 2023 at 9:34 AM in Conference Room 6A, 79 Elm Street, Hartford, Connecticut and via a Zoom conference call, by Acting Chair and Board Administrator Liz McAuliffe. Board member L. Muratore was present in person and J. Adams, R. Dirienzo, R. Good, M. Gamache and D. Fiereck were present via Zoom. Selena Thornhill-Moody from DEEP was present in person and Lori DiBella from the Attorney General’s Office representing the Board and Nelson Walter and Seth Molofsky representing EPOC were present virtually for the meeting.

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

The draft minutes of the Regular Board meeting of March 9, 2023 were read and approved with minor corrections; motion by R. Dirienzo, seconded by R. Good, passed unanimously. The April 2023 meeting of the Board was cancelled due to a lack of a quorum.

##### C. Public Participation

Seth Molofsky and Nelson Walter representing EPOC had no comments at this time.

##### D. Unfinished Business and General Orders

Acting Chair McAuliffe congratulated retiring LEPs and reported that 90 of the 331 current LEPs had submitted renewal applications as of the date of the meeting. Acting Chair McAuliffe indicated that 2023-2024 licenses will begin to be sent to LEPs starting Friday May 12<sup>th</sup>.

##### **Renewal Applications**

1. A motion to authorize the Commissioner to issue licenses to those who filed timely and sufficient renewal applications and to the candidates who pass the exam given today was made by J. Adams, seconded by D. Fiereck, passed unanimously.
2. A motion to authorize the Commissioner to waive the deadline and issue licenses to those who request a waiver of the deadline and filed a sufficient renewal application after June

- 1, 2023 but before June 14, 2023 was made by J. Adams, seconded by R. Dirienzo, passed unanimously.
3. A motion to authorize the Commissioner to waive the deadline to those who requested a waiver, apply a 10% late fee, and issue licenses to those who filed a sufficient renewal application on or after June 14, 2023 but before July 1, 2023, was made by J. Adams, seconded by D. Fiereck, passed unanimously.
  4. Any renewal applications submitted untimely and insufficient expire as a matter of law on July 1st.

E. **New Business**

**Review of Course Approval Requests**

EPOC, an approved distance course provider, has requested an on-demand distance course conversion of CTLEP 504W recorded April 16, 2021 - **In Situ Remediation Monitoring Programs: Considerations and Design**. EPOC is adding test questions as required. Dan Wolfram previously noted that this does not require a vote as this is a conversion of a pre-approved course by an approved distance course provider.

Request from CPESNJ for a live webinar course titled, **“Undercurrents in Site Remediation: Hydrogeology for LSRPs & Environmental Professionals”** for 6.5 CECs. On a motion by J. Adams, seconded by R. Dirienzo, to approve the course for 7.0 CECs, passed unanimously.

Request from NEWMOA for a live in person course titled, **“What Regulators Want: Quality Site Assessments and Investigations Using the Conceptual Site Model Approach”** for 4.75 CECs. On a motion by R. Dirienzo, seconded by J. Adams, to approve the course for 4.75 CECs, passed unanimously.

**Additional Information**

Acting Chair McAuliffe received a complaint that was submitted on the LEP Complaint form but dealt with an unauthorized pesticide application. She will forward the complaint to the pesticide division.

J. Adams reported that he had recently renewed his NC Professional Geologist license on-line and the process was seamless. He inquired if an on-line approval process was planned for Connecticut. Acting Chair McAuliffe reported that software was in development, but the developer left state service and did not complete the project. She will inquire as to the status of the project prior to the 2024 renewal.

Seth Molofsky inquired as to whether the Covid era allowance that on-demand courses could account for 24 credits rather than the 12 credits authorized in the regulations would be renewed for the next biennial period. Acting Chair McAuliffe indicated that she would confer with Assistant Attorney General Lori DiBella and report back at the next meeting whether the Board had the flexibility of renewing the 24 credit limit.

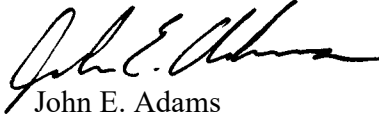
Next meeting is June 8, 2023 at 9:30AM.

**F. Adjournment**

On a motion by R. Dirienzo, seconded by R. Good, Acting Chair McAuliffe declared the meeting adjourned at 9:50 AM.

Minutes were approved on June 8, 2023.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John E. Adams". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "J" and "A".

John E. Adams  
Board Secretary