

**BOARD OF CERTIFICATION OF OPERATORS OF
PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY TREATMENT AND PUBLIC WATER
SUPPLY TRANSMISSION AND DISTRIBUTION FACILITIES
(Pursuant to Title 23, Chapter 65 of the RIGLs)
MINUTES June 3, 2005**

In Attendance:

Board Members:

Romeo Mendes

Don Iannazzi

Susan Licardi

Bob Bozikowski

Meeting was called to order by Romeo Mendes at 10:05 AM.

1. The Board reviewed and unanimously approved the consent agenda. Motion by Don Iannazzi. Motion

second by Bob Bozikowski.

2. The Board reviewed a request from Pawtucket Water Supply Board Assistant Chief Engineer James Decelles for reciprocity of a Massachusetts Grade 2 treatment License. The Board voted unanimously to table the request until Mr. Decelles submitted a job description and a letter from his employer indicating that a treatment certification was required for his current position. Motion by Don Iannazzi. Motion second by Romeo Mendes.

3. The Board reviewed and approved proposed changes to the State's operator certification regulations. During discussion of the matter it

was recommended that slight modifications be made to section 8.3. Specifically, section 8.3.1 should read "Grandfathered certificates shall be in effect for the water system at which they were issued and shall become null and void upon the termination of the operator's employment" and 8.3.2, 8.3.3 should be deleted entirely. Motion was made to propose the recommendations to Department of Health Regulatory Officials. Motion by Don Iannazzi. Motion second by Bob Bozikowski.

4. The Board reviewed and approved a request from Susan Rabideau for issuance of 2 training contact hours for a webcast training session titled Stage 1 Disinfectants and Disinfectant Byproduct Rule. Motion by Don Iannazzi. Motion second by Susan Licardi.

5. The Board reviewed a request for full Grade 3-Distribution certification from Jonathan Barber of the Pawtucket Water Supply Board. Mr. Barber had indicated that his 2 years of operations experience coupled with an Associates degree in business management qualified him for full certification. The Board saw only limited credits in the physical sciences on the transcript provided therefore the request could not be approved. It was the Board's opinion that approximately half of the total credits required for the degree should be in the physical sciences in order to meet the requirements stipulated in the regulations for the indicated combination of education and experience. Motion by Bob Bozikowski. Motion second by Don Iannazzi.

6. The Board reviewed and approved a request from Marc Pontes of

the Pawtucket Water Supply Board for issuance of a full Grade 4 distribution certification based on a passing score on the Massachusetts Grade 4 Distribution examination pending the filing of the State's revised operator certification regulations with the Secretary of State. Motion by Don Ianazzi. Motion second by Romeo Mendes.

7. The Board reviewed and approved a request from Allen Champagne of the Pawtucket Water Supply Board for full Grade 4 Distribution certification via reciprocity. Mr. Champagne met all requirements for reciprocity including that his employer required him to obtain and maintain said license as a condition of employment. Motion by Don Iannazzi. Motion second by Susan Licardi.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:10AM.

Romeo N. Mendes, P.E. Secretary