

Narragansett Water Pollution Control Association

Is seeking nominees for the following **NEWEA/WEF** Awards for Calendar Year 2010

Please note: these awards are made solely through the regional WEF Membership Association and as such are subject to certain submittal dates and other requirements. For example, some awards may be the result of self-nomination. The NWPCA provides input as requested by the designated committees or staff during the selection process. Individuals are responsible for filling out the correct form and meeting the correct submittal dates. Information and/or assistance is available from the NEWEA State Director from Rhode Island, Bernard Bishop (contact information provided below). This list identifies some awards that available; others may be more appropriate and can be found at www.newea.org.

Alfred E. Peloquin Award

Established in 1990 as the NEWEA Operations Award and renamed the Alfred E. Peloquin Award in 1992, the award is given annually to an individual who has shown a high level of interest and performance in wastewater operations in each of the six New England states, and who has made a significant contribution to the wastewater field in such areas as improvements to the environment, cost effective plant operations, public relations, innovative process controls, industrial pretreatment, training, Association contributions and related activities. The award honors NEWEA's former Executive Director for his initiatives in training programs for wastewater treatment and his many years of dedicated service to the New England Water Environment Association.

The purpose of the award is to recognize an individual whose personal service has contributed to excellence in plant operations either directly at a treatment plant, or indirectly through assistance to plant operations personnel.

William D. Hatfield Award

The William D. Hatfield Award is given to operators of wastewater treatment plants who through their outstanding performance and professionalism deserve commendation. The Member Associations control the process of selection but the Federation has set up a general system of criteria. These include a successful system of reports from the operator to his superiors that fulfill the informational requirements of his supervisors and provide the operator with a forum for suggestions for improvements. Consideration is also given to the financial acumen of the candidate and use of a good public relations program. Finally the nominee should have contributed to the dissemination of information concerning advancements in the field. The award was established in honor of Dr. William D. Hatfield's years of service as a treatment plant operator.

Operator Award

The NEWEA Operator Award is given annually to an individual who has shown a high interest and performance in wastewater operations and has made a significant contribution to the wastewater field. One or more of the following areas should be discussed in the nomination form to serve as a basis for selection of the award recipient:

1. Improvement to the environment
2. Cost effective operations
3. Cost effective maintenance procedures
4. Public relations
5. Safety
6. Innovative process controls
7. Solids handling and disposal
8. Industrial Pretreatment
9. Collection systems/pumping stations

10. Training
11. Odor control
12. Association contributions

Nominations can be made by supervisors, co-workers, state officials or members of the local Associations. Selfnominations are acceptable. The award recipients will be chosen from each of the six New England states by the local State Association. Nomination forms should be sent to the Awards Selection Committee for each member association. Deadline for nominations to local State Associations: August 15.

Laboratory Analyst Excellence Award

The Laboratory Analyst Excellence Award was established by the WEF Board of Control in 1993 to recognize individuals for outstanding performance, professionalism and contributions to the water quality analysis profession.

E. Sherman Chase Award

The E. Sherman Chase Award was established in 1960 to recognize members engaged in the operation of municipal and/or industrial wastewater treatment works and demonstrating notable or meritorious accomplishments and achievements in, but not limited to: equipment or process, public relations, management, operation and maintenance, economics, and contributions of information useful to the profession. The award honors E. Sherman Chase, an outstanding professional engineer and pioneer treatment plant operator.

James J. Courchaine Collection Systems Award

The James J. Courchaine Collection Systems Award was established in 1995 and named the James J. Courchaine Collection Systems Award in 1996. The award honors NEWEA member James J. Courchaine for his many contributions to the Collection Systems field. The award is extended to a NEWEA member to recognize his/her outstanding efforts in the operation, maintenance, management or design of a wastewater collection system.

Crystal Crucible Award

The Crystal Crucible (C2) program recognizes and honors individuals for their outstanding contributions that promote increased professionalism in the wastewater laboratory field. Nominees are not required to be NEWEA members. Examples of outstanding contributions are listed below:

- Significant, active participation in one or more of the following areas:
 - Wastewater-related analyses
 - Education
 - Training
 - Safety
 - Certification
 - Management and planning
- Involvement in promoting the professional recognition of the wastewater analysis profession.
- Active participation on the NEWEA Laboratory Practices Committee.
- Papers or articles related to the wastewater analysis profession that have been accepted by state, regional, or national publications.
- Technical presentations at professional conferences.
- Active participation in the WEF Laboratory Practices Committee.

Information about the NEWEA/WEF Awards can be found at this link:

<http://www.newea.org/AboutUs/AwardsRecognitions/tabid/168/Default.aspx>

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