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ARTICLE I-NAME

- 1. The name of this organization shall be the "NEBRAS-KA SECTION OF THE AMERICAN WATER WORKS ASSOCIATION," hereinafter referred to as the "Section."
- 2. In these Bylaws, the American Water Works Association is hereinafter referred to as the "Association."

ARTICLE II—OBJECT

The objectives of this Section shall be the purpose of the Association as stated in the Articles of Incorporation as follows:

- a. Advancing the knowledge of the design, construction, operation, water treatment, and management of water utilities and developing standards for procedures, equipment, and materials used by public water supply systems;
- Advancing the knowledge of the problems involved in the development of resources, production, and distribution of safe and adequate water supplies;
- c. Educating the public on the problems of water supply and promoting a spirit of cooperation between consumers and suppliers in solving these problems; and
- d. Conducting research to determine the causes of problems of providing a safe and adequate water supply and proposing solutions thereto in an effort to improve the quality and quantity of the water supply provided to the public.

ARTICLE III—MEMBERSHIP

The membership of this Section shall consist of those members of the American Water Works Association residing in or having principal business activity in the Nebraska Section and those assigned to the Nebraska Section by the Executive Director of the American Water Works Association.

ARTICLE IV—DUES AND FEES

There shall be no dues assessed against members of the Section, except that the Section may apply for permission to levy an assessment in accordance with AWWA Governing Documents in order to increase its funds available for Section uses consistent with Association objectives and policies.

ARTICLE V—HEADQUARTERS

The headquarters of this Section shall be at the office of the Secretary except as some other location may be specifically designated by the Section Governing Board.

ARTICLE VI—SECTION OFFICERS AND GOVERN-ING BOARD

- 1. The Officers of the Section shall be as follows:
 - a. A Chair.
 - b. A Chair-Elect.
 - c. A Vice-Chair.
 - d. A Secretary.
 - e. A Treasurer.
 - f. A Representative on the Association's Board of Directors, hereinafter called the "Director."
 - g. Three Trustees—One of whom shall be the last living Past-Chair of the Section.
- The above Officers shall constitute the Section Governing Board, hereinafter called the "Board," which shall be the governing body of the Section.
- The Officers of the Section shall execute its business in accordance with the Bylaws of the Section and the Articles of Incorporation, Bylaws, and Governing Documents of the American Water Works Association.
- 4 The term of each of the Officers shall be approximately one year, beginning and ending at the close of the Section Annual Conference, except in the case of the Director, whose term shall be approximately three years as provided for by the Articles of Incorporation, Bylaws, and Governing Documents of the American Water Works Association.
- Any member of the Section shall be eligible to hold Section elective office except those who are Student Members of the Association or who are members of the Section via multi-section membership privileges.

ARTICLE VII—DUTIES OF THE OFFICERS

- The duties of the Chair shall be to: a) supervise and coordinate all of the affairs of the Section; b) preside at all meetings of the Section and of the Board; and c) appoint all Committees of the Section, except as may be otherwise specifically provided herein or directed by the Board.
- 2. The Chair-Elect shall: a) perform the duties of the Chair in the Chair's absence; and b) perform other duties as may be assigned by the Chair or the Board.
- 3. The Vice-Chair shall: a) perform the duties of the Chair or Chair-Elect in their absence; b) perform other duties as may be assigned by the Chair or the Board.
- 4. The Secretary shall: a) attend all meetings of the Section and of the Board, duly recording the proceed-

ings thereof; b) prepare such records, reports and correspondence as may be required by the Board or by the Association to properly record the Section activities; and c) perform other duties as the Board may direct. In the absence of the Secretary the duties of the Secretary shall be performed by the Treasurer.

- The Treasurer shall: a) be responsible for Section funds and shall establish and keep accurate accounts of receipts and disbursements in accordance with the Association Uniform System of Section Accounting;
 b) be responsible to collect all monies due the Section and shall promptly deposit the same to the credit of the Section in a depository approved by the Board; c) perform all the duties laid down in Article XI of the Governing Documents of the American Water Works Association; and 4) perform other duties as the Board may direct.
- 6. The Director shall be a member of the Section's Board (and of the American Water Works Association's Board of Directors) in accordance with the provisions of the Articles of Incorporation, Bylaws, and Governing Documents of the American Water Works Association and shall represent each one of those bodies in the deliberations of the other and shall act to coordinate and unify their actions.
- 7. The Trustees shall perform such duties as may be assigned by the Chair and have equal voting rights with that of other members of the Board.

ARTICLE VIII-THE SECTION GOVERNING BOARD

- 1. Meetings of the Board shall be called by the Chair on his or her own initiative or at the request of any other member of the Board. There shall be at least one meeting of the Board during the annual meeting of the Section.
- 2. A quorum of the Board shall consist of at least five of its members.
- 3. The Board shall have general supervision over all of the affairs of the Section and shall be its legal representative in all matters except as this duty may be specifically delegated.

The Board shall prepare as needed, and enforce the conduct of the business of the Section regulations not in conflict with these Bylaws or the Articles of Incorporation, Bylaws, or Governing Documents of the American Water Works Association, and shall amend same as required.

ARTICLE IX—ELECTION OF OFFICERS

1. Nominating Committee

Not later than March 1 of each year, the Section Chair shall appoint a nominating committee of three

members who are not officers of the Section. The nominating committee shall select one nominee for each of the following offices: Chair-Elect, Vice-Chair, Secretary, Treasurer, three Trustees, one of whom shall be the last living Past-Chair of the Section who is a member of the Section; and, at threeyear intervals, shall select one nominee for the office of the Director. The Section Chair-Elect shall automatically assume the office of Section Chair. The Committee's nominations shall be in the hands of the Secretary not later than July 31. Upon receipt of the nominations, the Secretary shall, within twenty days, mail to each member a notice setting forth the nominations of the nominating committee and stating the date, time, and place of the next general meeting, at which the elections will be held. Should the nominating committee fail to act by July 31, the Secretary shall notify the members by mail, stating that all nominations will be from the floor at the Section's general meeting, the date, time, and place of which shall be included in the notice to the members.

2. Election

At the Section's general meeting, the Chair shall read the notice as issued by the Secretary, after which he or she shall call for and receive additional nominations from the membership assembled. Separate balloting shall be conducted for each office. The Chair may accept a motion for a unanimous ballot for such nominee. A majority of the votes cast shall be required to elect. All members of the Section in good standing are eligible to vote, except for multi-section members.

3. Vacancies

Should the Chair of the Section be unable to complete the term of office, the duties of the office shall be performed by the Chair-Elect.

Should the Chair-Elect be unable to complete the term of office, the duties of the office shall be performed by the Vice-Chair.

Should the Trustee who serves by virtue of being the Past-Chair be unable to complete the term of office, the Board shall appoint a previous Past-Chair to serve as Trustee or, if there is none able or willing to serve, a qualified member of the Section to fill the vacancy.

Should the Secretary or Treasurer be unable to complete the term of office, the Board shall appoint either:

- a. One of their number to perform the duties of Secretary or Treasurer for the balance of the term, or
- b. A qualified member of the Section to fill the vacancy for the balance of the term.

Should the Director be unable to complete the term of office, the Board shall appoint a successor to serve the remainder of the term, and the Secretary shall notify the Executive Director of the Association of such selection.

ARTICLE IX—MEETINGS

- 1. The Section shall hold at least one general meeting in each calendar year for the purpose of conducting the Section's business, electing officers, receiving reports of the various officers and committees, promoting the interests of the Association and advancing the technical and administrative knowledge of the members. The time and place of the general meeting shall be fixed by the Board.
- 2. The Section may hold other meetings from time to time for the purpose of presenting technical papers on a subject of special interest, workshops, educational seminars, etc. The time and place of these meetings may be set by the Board or by a committee appointed by the Board for this purpose subject to the other provisions of this article.
- 3. It is the policy of this Section to endeavor to cooperate with other Sections of the American Water Works Association to prevent conflict of meeting dates with those of other Sections' meetings and especially with those of the adjoining Sections. The Section may, if deemed advisable by the Board, hold joint meetings with other adjoining Sections or with other organizations having mutual interests, such as the Nebraska Water Environment Association, Nebraska Section American Public Works Association or the Utilities Section of the Nebraska League of Municipalities.

If such joint meetings are held, any business meetings of the Section shall be open to all interested individuals, but only those holding membership in the Section shall have voting rights. Further, the Section's participation in such joint meetings shall be clearly identified and publicized, and the Section shall have an approximately equal share of the program.

ARTICLE X—AMENDMENTS

 Proposals for the amendment of these Bylaws may originate by the unanimous vote of the Section Governing Board or they may originate by the submission to the Secretary of a written petition signed by at least ten members of the Section. Upon an amendment being proposed in either of these two manners, the Secretary shall furnish each member a copy of the proposed amendment. The proposed amendment shall then be voted upon by the members at the next annual meeting in a manner similar to that provided for the election of officers (Article IX of these bylaws), or may at the discretion of the Board be voted upon by letter ballot, provided, however, in either case all members shall have at least thirty days in which to consider the proposed amendment prior to a vote upon it.

- 2. Upon favorable action having been taken as to an amendment in the foregoing manner, the Secretary of the Section shall then submit same to the Executive Director of the American Water Works Association for approval or disapproval by the Association's Board of Directors. Upon notification by the Association's Secretary that the amendment has been approved by the Board of Directors, it shall thereupon become effective.
- 3. Personal pronouns referring to either the masculine or to the feminine gender in the Bylaws shall be considered interchangeable where applicable and as the context requires or permits.

ARTICLE XI-DISSOLUTION

- In case of dissolution of the Section, such portions of the funds in the hands of the Treasurer as may have derived from the General Funds of the American Water Works Association shall be returned to the American Water Works Association.
- 2. The balance of the Section funds or property shall be disposed of by transfer and distribution to any one or more corporations, funds, or foundations organized and operated in the United States of America exclusively for scientific or educational purposes. No part of the net earnings of which inures to the benefit of any private shareholders or individual, no substantial part of the activities of which is carrying on propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and which does not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distributing of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office, such recipient or recipients to be selected by vote of the majority of the members of the Section at a meeting called for the purpose, or if for any reason such disposition cannot be effected, then such funds shall be so distributed pursuant to the order, judgment or decree of a court having jurisdiction over the assets and property of the Section.
- Approved by the AWWA Board of Directors in June 1996.

Committee goals

Awards

- 1. Develop a list of awards, eligibility requirements, plus deadlines for submitting nominations for national and state awards.
- 2. Publish in Section newsletter a call for nominations, if applicable.
- 3. Coordinate water operator awards with Nebraska Health & Human Services.
- 4. Actively pursue awards for eligible individuals or groups.

Cross Connection

- 1. Review Nebraska Health & Human Services Cross Connection Control regulations.
- 2. Conduct or cosponsor, as needed, cross connection control workshop(s).
- Work with other committees, organizations and groups for training and transfer of information.

Education & Training

- Continue education and training programs in cooperation with the League of Nebraska Municipalities, Nebraska Rural Water Association and Nebraska Health & Human Services.
- 2. Develop long-range goals for education and training activities.
- 3. Develop one workshop or other training activity during the year.
- 4. Provide AWWA education material display at the annual fall conference.
- 5. Work with other committees, organizations and groups on training and transfer of information, such as the Children's Groundwater Festival.

Fall Conference

- 1. Conduct an effective annual fall conference for the entire membership.
- 2. Develop interesting, effective programs with variety for all members at each meeting.
- 3. Encourage potential members to attend programs by direct program mailings to selected nonmembers.

Manufacturers Association Council (MAC) This committee was formed in mid-1999. Objectives and purpose will be decided by volunteers who serve on the council. MAC members fall under the umbrella of organization memberships, along with consultant and technical service members. Call **Tony Bilek** at Mc2, Inc., 402.333.9660, to find out how you and your organization can benefit from being an active member of the Nebraska MAC.

Membership

- 1. Develop membership promotion program.
- 2. Complete prospective membership lists, including nonmembers who regularly attend conferences.
- 3. Identify prospective members from public and private water suppliers, consulting engineers and equipment suppliers.
- 4. Provide article or information for each issue of Wise Water Words.
- 5. Retain existing members.
- 6. Secure a utility membership for every water utility system with more than 10,000 customers.
- 7. Secure a minimum of one membership in every Nebraska county.
- 8. Welcome new members and introduce them at the annual fall conference.

Nominations

Actively pursue nominations for officers according to Section Bylaws, and submit a written report of nominations to the Board of Governors and Publications chairperson prior to the annual fall conference.

Publications

- 1. Publish three issues of the Section newsletter per calendar year.
- 2. Exchange newsletters with other AWWA sections and similar organizations.
- 3. Publish biennial membership directory.
- 4. Implement advertisement program for membership directory and newsletter.
- 5. Maintain section website.

Public Information

- 1. Provide timely information to national AWWA.
- 2. Develop news releases and media coverage prior to and during the annual conference.
- 3. Provide press releases/media coverage regarding AWWA Nebraska Section Award recipients.

Research

1. Evaluate research needs of members and report to the Board of Governors.

2. Continue to promote an effective working relationship with UNL and UNO on any research projects related to the water industry.

Safety

- Coordinate a safety workshop with the League of Nebraska Municipalities and the Nebraska Water Environment Federation.
- Work with the Nebraska Health & Human Services to accept safety workshop credit hours for application towards water operator recertification.
- 3. Work with other committees, organizations and groups for training and transfer of information.

Scholarship

Award annual training grants to Section members, members of their families and graduate students.

Small Systems

- 1. Develop committee goals and objectives.
- 2. Work with other committees, organizations and groups, including the Nebraska Rural Water Association, on training and transfer of information.

Student Activities

- 1. Provide for student paper presentations at the annual conference.
- 2. Encourage student membership and/or attendance at the annual fall conference.

Water for People

Promote interest and raise funds for the international AWWA Water for People Program, which supports drinking water and sanitation projects in developing countries.

Water Utility Council

- 1. Monitor water issues and activities at state and federal levels.
- 2. Advise the Board of Trustees of critical legislative hearings.
- 3. Work with other water organizations to educate legislators about the water industry.
- 4. Provide written summaries to the Board of Trustees.

Young Professionals

The Young Professionals Group will be organized in 2000. Objectives will include providing networking tools and orientation to the water industry for young professionals.

For more information, contact **Joe Baxter**, Olsson Associates, 308.384.8750 or **Eric Obert**, JEO Consulting Group, Inc., 402.443.4661.

Library

To borrow these resources, contact the Section office: tel: 402.476.2003; fax: 402.476.9850; e-mail: nsawwa@alltel.net

Videos

- 1. Big Fears, Little Risks
- 2. Always Pure, Never Runs Dry
- 3. Electrical Safety
- 4. Minimizing Back Strain on the Job
- 5. Five S's of Excavation Safety
- 6. Cross Connection Control Surveying and Reference Manual.
- 7. Off the Record: Insiders' Techniques for Working with the Media
- 8. Consumer Attitude Survey on Water Quality Issues
- 9. Public Affairs for Water Utilities
- 10. Distribution Systems Overview: A Case Study
- 11. Satellite Teleconference: Benchmarking for the Water Industry
- 12. Satellite Teleconference: Safe Drinking Water (Critical Choices for Utilities)
- 13. Satellite Teleconference: Customer Service for Water Utilities (Best Practices)
- 14. Public Affairs for Water Utilities

Handbooks

- 1. Distribution System Maintenance Techniques
- 2. Maintenance Management
- 3. Cross Connection and Backflow Prevention
- 4. Basic Management Principles for Small Water Systems
- Design and Construction of Small Water Systems— Manager's Guide

Training materials

- 1. Water Supply Operation Series-complete set
- 2. Water Distribution Operator Training Handbook

National conferences

- 1. Distribution System Symposium-1989
- 2. Distribution System Symposium—1990

AWWA manual sets

- M1 Water Rates, 1991
- M2 Automation and Instrumentation, 1990
- M3 Safety Practices for Water Utilities, 1990
- M4 Water Fluoridation Principles and Practices, 1988
- M5 Water Utility Management Practices, 1980
- M6 Water Meters: Selection, Installation, Testing, Maintenance, 1986
- M9 Concrete Pressure Pipe, 1979
- M11 Steel Pipe: Guide for Design and Installation, 1989
- M12 Simplified Procedures for Water Examination, 1978
- M14 Recommended Practices for Backflow Prevention, 1990
- M16 Work Practices for Asbestos: Cement Pipe, 1978
- M17 Installation, Field Testing and Maintenance of Fire, 1989
- M19 Emergency Planning
- M20 Water Chlorination Principles and Practices, 1973
- M21 Groundwater, 1989
- M22 Sizing Water Service Lines and Meters, 1975

- M23 PVC Pipe: Design and Installation, 1980
- M24 Dual Water Systems, 1983
- M25 Flexible Membrane Covers and Linings for Potable Water Reservoirs, 1985
- M26 Water Rates and Related Charges, 1986
- M27 External Corrosion: Introduction to Chemistry and Control, 1986
- M28 Cleaning and Lining Water Mains, 1987
- M29 Water Utility Capital Financing, 1988
- M30 Pre-Coat Filtration, 1988
- M31 Distribution System Requirements for Fire Protection, 1992
- M32 Distribution Network Analysis for Water Utilities, 1989
- M33 Flow Meters in Water Supply, 1989
- M35 Revenue Requirements, 1990
- M36 Water Audits and Leak Detection, 1990

AWWA Standards

- 1. Treatment
 - Source:

A100 Water Wells

Filtration:

B100 Filtering Material

Softening:

- B200 Sodium Chloride
- B201 Soda Ash
- B202 Quicklime and Hydrated Lime
- Disinfection:
 - B302 Ammonium Sulfate
 - B303 Sodium Chlorite

Coagulation:

- B402 Ferrous Sulfate
- B403 Aluminum Sulfate-Liquid, Ground or Lump
- B405 Sodium Aluminate
- B406 Ferric Sulfate
- B407 Liquid Ferric Chloride
- B408 Liquid Polyaluminum Chloride
- B451 Poly (Diallyldimethyammonium Chloride)
- B452 EPI-DMA Polyamines

Scale and Corrosion Control:

- B501 Sodium Hydroxide
- B502 Sodium Polyphosphate
- B510 Carbon Dioxide
- B511 Potassium Hydroxide
- B512 Sulfur Dioxide
- B550 Calcium Chloride

2. Pipes and Accessories

- Ductile Iron Pipe and Fittings:
 - C104 ANS-Cement Lining-DIP
 - C105 ANS-Polyethylene Encasement-DIP
 - C110 ANS-D.I. and G.I. Fittings (3-48 inches)-DIP
 - C111 ANS-Rubber Gasket Joints-DIP

- C115 ANS-Flanged DIP with Threaded Flanges
- C150 ANS-Thickness Design of DIP
- C151 ANS-DIP Centrifugally Cast

Steel Pipe:

- C200 Steel Water Pipe, 6 inches and larger
- C203 Coat Tar Protective Coatings and Linings for Steel Water Pipelines: Enamel and Tape-Hot Applied
- C205 Cement Mortar Lining and Coating for Steel Water Pipe (4 inches and larger): Shop Applied
- C206 Field Welding of Steel Water Pipe
- C208 Dimensions for Fabricated Steel Water Pipe Fittings
- C209 Cold Applied Tape Coatings for the Exterior of Special Sections, Connections and Fittings for Steel Water Pipelines
- C210 Liquid Epoxy Coating Systems for Interior and Exterior of Steel Water Pipelines
- C214 Tape Coating Systems for Exterior of Steel Water Lines
- C215 Extruded Polyolefin Coatings for Exterior of Steel Water Pipelines
- C216 Heat Shrinkable Cross-Linked Polyolefin Coatings for Exterior of Special Sections, Connections and Fittings for Steel Water Pipelines
- C217 Cold Applied Petrolatum Tape and Petroleum Wax Tape Coatings for Exterior of Special Sections, Connections and Fittings on Buried Steel Water Pipelines
- C218 Coating the Exterior of Aboveground Steel Water Pipelines and Fittings
- C219 Bolted, Sleeve-Type Couplings for Plain-End Pipe
- C220 Stainless Steel Pipe (4 inches—100 mm and larger)
- Concrete Pipe:
 - C300 Reinforced Concrete Pressure Pipe, Steel-Cylinder Type, for Water and Other Liquids
 - C301 Prestressed Concrete Pressure Pipe, Steel-Cylinder Type, for Water and Other Liquids
 - C304 Design of Prestressed Concrete Cylinder Pipe

Asbestos—Cement Pipe:

- C400 Asbestos-Cement Pressure Pipe (4-16 inches— 100-400 mm) for Water Distribution Systems
- C401 Selection of Asbestos-Cement Pressure Pipe (4-16 inches—100-400 mm) for Water Distribution Systems
- C402 Asbestos-Cement Transmission Pipe (18-42 inches—450-1,050 mm) for Potable Water and Other Liquids
- C403 Practice for the Selection of Asbestos-Cement Transmission and Feeder Main Pipe (18-42 inches—450-1,050 mm)

Valves and Hydrants:

- C500 Metal Seated Gate Valves for Water Supply Service
- C503 Wet Barrel Fire Hydrants
- C507 Ball Vales (5-48 inches—150-1,200 mm)

- C508 Swing Check Valves for Waterworks Service (2-24 inches—50-600 mm), NPS
- C509 Resilient Seated Gate Valves for Water and Sewerage Systems
- C510 Double Check Valve Backflow Prevention Assembly
- C511 Reduced Pressure Principle Backflow Prevention Assembly
- C512 Air Release, Air-Vacuum and Combination Air Valves for Waterworks Service
- C540 Power Actuating Devices for Valves and Sluice Gates

Pipe Installation:

- C602 Cement Mortar Lining or Water Pipelines (4 inches or 100 mm and larger), in place
- C603 Installation of Asbestos-Cement Pressure Pipe

Meters:

- C700 Cold Water Meters—Displacement Type, Bronze Main Case
- C701 Cold Water Meters—Turbine Type for Customer Service
- C702 Cold Water Meters—Compound Type
- C703 Cold Water Meters—Fire Service Type
- C704 Propeller-Type Meters for Waterworks Applications
- C706 Direct Reading, Remote Registration Systems for Cold Water Meters
- C707 Encoder Type Remote Registration Systems for Cold Water Meters
- C708 Cold Water Meters—Multi-Jet Type
- C710 Cold Water Meters—Displacement Type, Plastic Main Case

Service Lines:

C800 Underground Service Line Valves and Fittings *Plastic Pipe:*

- C900 Polyvinyl Chloride (PVC) Pressure Pipe (4-12 inches) for Water Distribution
- C905 Polyvinyl Chloride (PVC) Water Transmission Pipe (nominal diameters, 14-36 inches)
- C906 Polethylene (PE) Pressure Pipe and Fittings (4-63 inches) for Water Distribution
- C907 Polyvinyl Chloride (PVC) Pressure Fittings for Water (4-8 inches—100-200 mm)
- C950 Fiberglass Pressure Pipe

Storage:

- D104 Automatically Controlled, Impressed Current Cathodic Protection for the Interior of Steel Water Tanks
- D120 Thermosetting Fiberglass Reinforced Plastic Tanks

Plant Equipment:

- F101 Contact Molded, Fiberglass Reinforced Plastic Wash Water Troughs and Launders
- F102 Matched Die-Molded, Fiberglass Reinforced Plastic Weir Plates, Scum Baffles and Mounting Brackets

Media relations

There's really no way to prepare for every crisis or emergency, however there are some basic media relations principles to follow that may, at the very least, minimize damage. The following are provided by the Public Relations Society of America.

- 1. **Don't go off half-cocked.** Everything you say to a reporter can be quoted, so don't start speaking until you know what you're really talking about and what you want to say. Make sure you know your agenda before you open your mouth.
- 2. **Be honest.** You don't have to tell everything you know, however whatever you do say must be the truth.
- 3. Show compassion. If deaths or injuries are involved, express your sorrow. Show sensitivity. You certainly don't want to admit liability, however you do want to demonstrate humanity.
- 4. **Don't be defensive.** Defensiveness implies guilt. Avoid it.
- 5. Be aware of body language. Your face and your body telegraph your emotions. Be relaxed, but lean a bit forward. Maintain direct eye contact with the reporter and keep the expression on your face pleasant no matter how provocative the questions are. Remember that in most stories, the reporter's questions are never used.
- Keep your cool. If you lose your temper, you will see it on the news. Reporters are neither your best friend nor your worst enemy; they're just trying to get information and beat the competition.
- Don't be afraid of silence. If you need to pause and gather your thoughts, say so and go right ahead. A brief silence is better than a damaging quote.
- Be human. People don't believe or trust corporations, however they do have empathy for individual human beings.
- Show people you care. First impressions count, and they're almost impossible to change, so make sure

you show that you care and are taking whatever positive action is possible.

- 10. **Think like the public and your customers.** If you just paid top dollar for the fanciest computer chip and then heard it made mistakes and the company wouldn't replace it, how would you feel? The impression you give the public is more important than being right.
- 11. **Stick to your values.** What does your company believe in and stand for? Make sure those principles are known and followed by all employees. Let them guide you through tough times. Johnson & Johnson, widely praised for its handling of the Tylenol crisis, has a company credo that begins, "We believe our first responsibility is to the doctors, nurses and patients, to mothers and fathers and all others who use our products and services."

That kind of credo will lay the foundation for all communication in a crisis. You must do the right thing before you can talk about it. If you want positive publicity, make sure your actions warrant it. And, once you take action, show reporters what you're doing. Remember the power of an image. While viewers watched birds and otters die in a river of thick, black oil, the Exxon Company was silent. Don't make the same mistake.

Off the Record: Insiders' techniques for working with the media

Who are the media?

The media include local and national magazines, newspapers, radio and television networks, wire services, and even computer networks. Each medium has a different angle on the news, different deadlines and different contacts.

Just in terms of contact, you can deal with various people—including reporters, anchors, producers, editors, assignment editors, managing editors and planning directors.

Pay attention to the differences in media. Print and television reporters have different needs; a print journalist might want a good map of the a facility to illustrate a story, while a television reporter might want to videotape pictures of the plant.

If you haven't already done so, contact print or broadcast newsrooms in your community to find out which journalists to deal with on daily stories, press conferences and emergencies. Keep those names and telephone and fax numbers with your media plan.

Be aware that all journalists work with uncompromising deadlines. If you're working with a reporter, find out when he or she needs the information to meet a deadline.

Also, journalists have a rule you need to understand. It is called talking "off the record." Unless you tell the reporter in advance your conversation is "off the record," and get his or her agreement, anything and everything you disclose may be used. Your should avoid speaking off the record.

What do the media want?

Whether journalists work for television, radio or print, they want the same questions answered: Who, What, When, Where and Why.

- WHO did it and WHO is affected?
- WHAT happened and WHAT are the consequences?
- WHEN did it happen?
- WHERE did it happen?
- WHY did it happen?

Be prepared for those questions by doing the following:

- Write down the answers to the basic questions before talking to the media.
- Check the facts.

The media want

to know:

1. Who

2. What

3. When

4. Where

5. Why

- Be accurate.
- Deliver information as soon as possible.

The most important guideline in dealing with the media is to be honest and accurate. You gain nothing and your utility could lose credibility if information is wrong.

How should I work with the media?

Your media interaction should be well-planned and organized. The only way to achieve that goal is to have a comprehensive media plan, written with the help from the Public Affairs Department (if your utility has one), or with help from outside public relations consultants.

Such a plan includes your utility's goals, its desired position in the community, and its crisis communication plan. Of course, energy utilities should have a crisis plan outlining internal actions and media interaction.

The plan also should include the name of a designated media spokesperson. In smaller

utilities, that person might be the Utility Manager; in larger facilities the spokesperson might be the Public Affairs or Public Relations Director.

It is important to have one spokesperson to ensure information is accurate and consistent. The spokesperson should be poised, have good language and people skills, and be well-informed about water issues. Everyone at the utility must know who the spokesperson is. All information should be funneled through him or her.

Press releases

Press releases are an effective, efficient way of communicating, if used properly. Before writing a press release, decide whether it is being used to announce news or to request coverage of an event.

Informational releases are used when the facts speak for themselves, such as the announcement of a new utility manager or the issuing of new rules on summer watering restrictions. It is written inverted pyramid narrative style, which means the most important facts are in the first paragraph.

A request-for-coverage-release should answer the basic questions—who, what, when, where, why. This type of press release also will have a short narrative section explaining why the media will want to cover the event, what angles they might consider covering, and what video opportunities are available.

Both types of releases are short, informative and answer the basic questions. They can be mailed or faxed to newsrooms or other media departments.

A longer form of release is called a media kit. Such releases are packets of information, possibly including pictures and diagrams. They can be used to give reporters background information or to augment a press conference.

Personal interviews

Before agreeing to an interview, find out what subject the reporter wants to cover. Allow time to prepare and do research if necessary. Then, use the following guidelines:

- Know the facts and be accurate.
- Practice what you're going to say and why.
- Practice to avoid mistakes.
- Explain complex issues using everyday language.
- Dress appropriately.

- Be aware of body language.
- Maintain good eye contact.

Crisis management

If you have a media plan, an emergency won't be the first time you deal with reporters, but it will be the most important. During a crisis, it is absolutely necessary to communicate with journalists, and to do so only through your designated spokesperson.

Types of crisis include natural disasters, explosions, burst pipes, accidents, boil water orders, and waterborne disease outbreaks.

Reporters want the basic questions answered during a crisis—who, what, when, where, why. Because this information can become sensitive, be careful not to speculate, sensationalize or minimize. Also, do not guess at answers. Further, if anyone is injured, only the hospital or police should release their names—not the utility.

Express empathy for those affected by the situation. Additional crisis recommendations:

- Be the first source for information.
- Provide facts before reporters find the information elsewhere.
- Assign a spokesperson round the clock and release home and work phone numbers.
- Help reporters set up interviews with workers or those affected by a crisis.
- Provide regularly scheduled information updates with press releases or press conferences.
- Post an information board with pertinent facts and background information.
- Have experts available to answer complex questions.

Above all, follow two important rules when giving information to journalists:

- 1. Be honest
- (and accurate).
- 2. Be first.

Remember, journalists need you as much as you need them. Don't be afraid to cultivate the relationship. Use these recommendations to enhance that link, and it will pay off for you and your utility.

-Catalog #65086—American Water Works Association

Awards

Listed below are awards given by national AWWA to recognize outstanding Section members. If you would like detailed information about these awards or know of someone who may be a candidate, please contact **Steve Kelly**, Beatrice Board of Public Works, 205 N. Fourth St., PO Box 279, Beatrice, NE 68310-0279, tel: 402.228.5217; fax: 402.228.5181; e-mail: skelley@bpw.ci.beatrice.ne.us

Abel Wolman Award of Excellence

Academic Achievement Award

A.P. Black Research Award

Archie E. Becher, Jr. Award

American/Canadian/Mexican Water Landmarks Award

Award of Merit

Distinguished Public Service Award

Division Best Paper Award

Education Award

Friendship Medal (by AWWA)

Friendship Medal (by IWEM)

George Warren Fuller Award

Gimmicks & Gadgets Award

Heroism Award

Honorary Member Award

Memberships Awards

Operator's Meritorious Service Award

Opflow Publications Award

Outstanding Service to AWWA Award

Publications Award

Research Division Best Poster Award

Recognition for Service to the Water Industry

Safety Award

Section Education Award

Service to the Water Industry Award

Water Industry Hall of Fame

George Warren Fuller Award

The George Warren Fuller Award is the highest national honor given by AWWA to recognize individuals with outstanding service to the water industry. Listed below are Nebraska recipients.

1941	D.L. Erickson
1950	John C. Detweiler
1951	Lorenzo D. Wright
1951	H.E. Morris
1954	John W. Cramer
1956	Bert Gurney
1957	John W. Kruse
1959	William J. Sommers
1960	Ralph H. Lancaster
1961	M.L. Sievers
1962	Lowell Edwards
1963	George H. Beard
1964	Emil C. Wagner
1965	Theodore A. Filipi
1966	Ralph H. Trester
1967	Vern Livingston
1968	Frank Phelps
1969	E. Bruce Meier
1970	R.H. McLeod
1971	Joseph P. Laferla
1972	Floyd Sanks
1974	Richard D. Hawes
1975	Robert D. Catton
1977	Milton Launer
1978	Wayne Bitting
1979	Joseph J. Rossbach, Jr.
1980	Dean McNiven
1981	Mark Hammer
1982	Joseph L. Gerlt
1983	Cliff Summers
1984	Donald L. Lees
1985	Arley L. Goodenkauf
1986	Dr. Dewey R. Andersen
1988	George Fairfield
1989	Richard Robinson
1990	Burton A. Johnson
1991	Jerome Obrist
1992	Orville R. Davidson
1993	Merlin E. Lindahl
1994	Dennis C. Hirschbrunner
1995	Paul E. Dammann
1996	Lynn A. Wegehaupt
1997	Don A. Franklin
1998	Steve Kelley
1999	John G. Miriovsky
2000	Terrance A. O'Brien
2001	Richard Koenig

Nebraska Section American Water Works Association Leisen Memorial Education and Training Grant Application

PERSONAL A	ND EMPI	LOYMENT	BACKGR	OUND

Name:		Home phone:
Home address:		Office phone:Years in water industry:
Current position:	(Attach a copy of your job description)	Years in current position:
AWWA membership number:		Type of membership:
Employer:		
Address of employer:		
Is your employer a member of a	AWWA? If yes, indicate membership number:	Type of membership:

Your activities in the Nebraska Section AWWA (committees, positions held, etc.):

Membership in other professional organizations and your activities:

Other significant contributions to your community, etc.:

TRAINING GRANT INFORMATION					
Use of grant funds:		Amount requested:			
Dates of workshop, courses:		Employer contribution:			
Location of training:					

Please indicate in the space below the value to you of the proposed training for your current position and/or other water industry-related positions.

I declare that all information supplied on this application is true and accurate.

Membership

As an individual member, you'll enjoy:

- Journal AWWA: The world's leading technical publication on drinking water issues.
- **Opflow:** A monthly newsletter with how-to articles and instructional features on all aspects of the water system materials, construction, management, operations and maintenance.
- **MainStream:** A monthly newspaper featuring news of the water industry, member achievements and conferences.
- **AWWA Bookstore Catalog:** Includes more than 400 books, videos, software and manuals on the water industry.
- **AWWA Sourcebook:** The official resource guide to water industry products and services.
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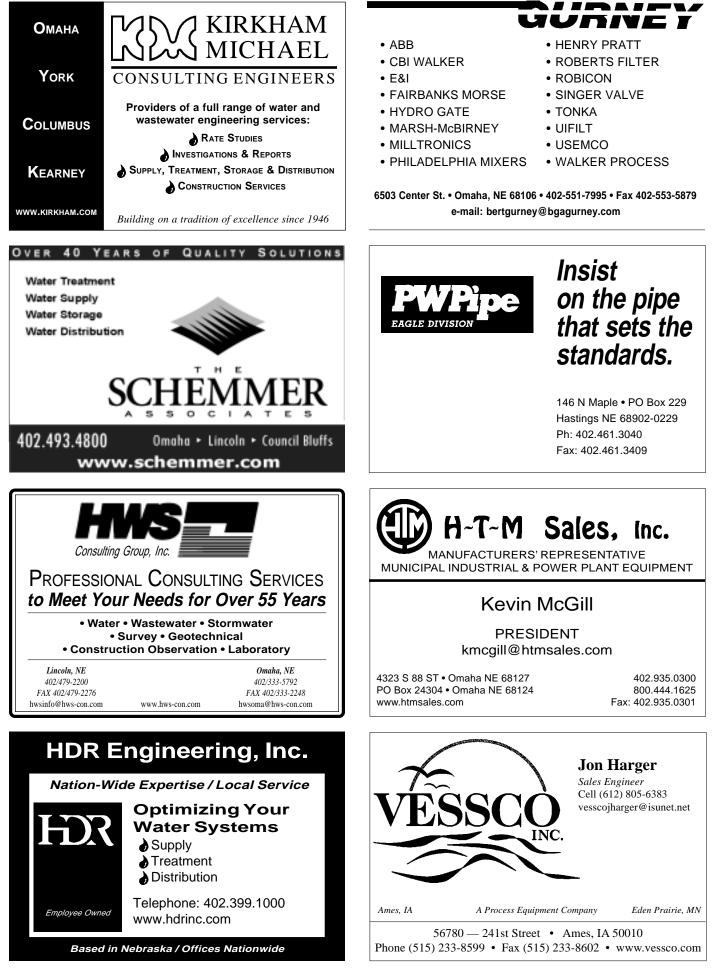
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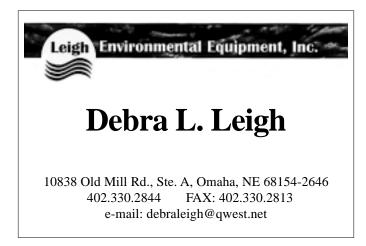
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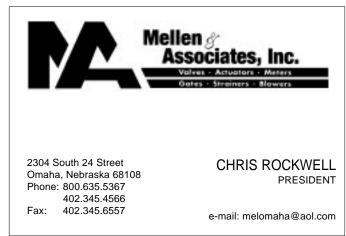
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