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*A Newsletter for Certified Professionals in Erosion and Sediment Control,  
Certified Professionals in Storm Water Quality,  
and Certified Erosion, Sediment and Storm Water Inspector*

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## Changing Times

*David Ward, Executive Director*

It seems that every time I write to the registry, it concerns Changing Times. That is true again in this letter. Since my last correspondence to you, each of our Councils and the EnviroCert International, Inc. Board of Directors have met and made decisions that affect you. I will try to be brief in this article. Things that have changed are:

- ◆ There is now a registrant status of "Retired". Retired means that the registrant is current with payment of dues. Retired registrants can become active again by petitioning the CPESC Council. A Retired registrant will receive communication sent out by the certification program, except that involving election of representatives. During the period of time a registrant is in the Retired status they may not use the Certification acronym or certification number in any way. If you desire to be placed in this status, clearly mark your Renewal Notice so that we will know your desire.
- ◆ To our Registrants who are members of IECA and SWCS: the discounted fee for application submittals and renewal fees is scheduled to be discontinued as of September 1, 2010.

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## Ohio and Certifications

*Dan Ross, CPESC, CESSWI  
Region 4 Representative CESSWI*

What causes certifications to become a concern to a state or to a local agency? We like to think that it is because they see what all the benefits are to being certified:

1. Professionalism
2. Uniqueness
3. Education
4. Performance
5. Credibility
6. Outreach
7. Etc...

And the list goes on. But, many times it comes down that a mandate is made. In Ohio, ODOT mandated that their contractors must be CPESC certified along with being a Registered PE to design the SWPPP for their projects. They also mandated that the inspectors must be CESSWI or CPESC certified to inspect the ODOT jobs. It is out of this mandate that we have seen a huge increase in our registrants in Ohio. We salute ODOT and the many partners who worked together to complete this mandate and keep workers working in Ohio. With the main partner being the Ohio Contractors Association. There are over one billion dollars worth of ODOT construction in Ohio at the present.

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*Changing Times continued...*

- ◆ CESSWI Registrants now must gain 20 PDUs on a 2 year basis instead of 10 per year. This will begin with your next renewal cycle.
- ◆ CPESC and CPSWQ Registrants, beginning with those certified on January 1st, 2009, your renewal date will be one (1) year from the anniversary date of your certification. You will be billed for renewal fees three (3) months in advance of your anniversary date. For more information, visit our website.
- ◆ We are moving forward with the development of a new certification for those who work for/with MS4s. Ms. Lori Gates, CPESC, CPSWQ, is the Chair of this group. It is anticipated that they will be beta testing at EC10. If you are interested in being a part of the testing phase please visit our web page and apply (form is not yet available, but will be prior to EC10). If you have questions about this certification, please contact myself or Lori.
- ◆ All of our certification Exam Review Courses and Exams are being updated. If you

wish to work with one these groups you can contact the Technical Vice Chair for that particular program.

- ◆ We are presently working on the design of an Educational Entity for EnviroCert International, Inc. certification programs. There will be more about this later.
- ◆ EnviroCert International, Inc. is moving forward in partnering with other organizations which share our interests and mission. If you are aware of entities that we should partner with, please advise us. §



**CPESC and Your State's Construction General Permit**

*Ted Sherrod, PE, CPESC, CPSWQ*

Does your state's NPDES Construction General Permit (CGP) define who is eligible to develop SWPPPs or perform site inspections? **IT NEEDS TO BE IN THE PERMIT!**

Currently about twenty states, municipalities, or DOT's recognize the CPESC designation to either develop SWPPPs and/or fulfill the NPDES inspection requirements.

CPESCs have demonstrated proficiency in the erosion and sediment control scope of practice. You possess the technical expertise for those practicing in this specialty discipline area. You are well suited to provide knowledge, oversight, and compliance review of stormwater discharges on construction sites across the nation.

What can you do to include EnviroCert International's certification programs into your state's CGP?

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**Conference Roundup**

- ◆ **EWRI—Kansas City, MO**  
A good conference and well attended. We experienced good traffic at our booth with lots of interest in the certification programs.
- ◆ **StormCon—Anaheim, CA**  
As always, those at this conference have huge interest in our CPSWQ Certification. The conference was well attended. As for next year's conference, we will be offering all of our Certification Review Classes and Exams.
- ◆ **MAC-IECA—Timonium, MD**  
The MAC conference is always a highlight in the year for us. EnviroCert International, Inc. was able to join in this year by sponsoring a reception for the conference attendees.
- ◆ **SWCS—Dearborn, MI**  
This conference was well attended. EnviroCert International, Inc. sponsored the preview of "DIRT!, The Movie". This preview was a great hit with everyone.
- ◆ **Indiana Association of Floodplain and Stormwater Managers Conference—Angola, IN**  
A great conference, well attended, with a lot of interest in our programs. It looks like the central US and Indiana, in particular, is stepping up to the plate in dealing with storm water, issues, especially the MS4s in that area.
- ◆ **New York State Floodplain and Stormwater Managers Conference—Latham, NY**  
This was a first at this venue and evaluating based on the booth traffic, it was a success. Folks attending this conference were very interested in our certification programs. Plans for next year includes our Exam Review Classes and Exams.

*Ohio and Certifications Continued...*

But there is more to the story. Ohio has a very successful Clean Water Act Phase 2 program. Many of the MS4s, Ohio EPA, and the 88 Soil and Water Conservation Districts along with the Great Lakes Chapter of IECA—many more registrants are being added because of their education outreach program for CESSWI and CPESC.

Since December 2008, over 251 people have taken the CESSWI Review Course, and 102 people for the CPESC Review Course. At the present, Ohio leads the Nation with the biggest number of CESSWI Registrants at 152. Ohio also has 223 Registrants in CPESC, with over 90 of these registered as PEs.

Our registrants bring a lot of technical advice to the natural resource field. There are many ways to increase your state's Registrants, and mandates are just one of the ways to start. §

*CPESC and Your State's Construction General Permit continued...*

First of all, determine when your state's permit expires. A few permits expire this year (Louisiana, North Carolina, North Dakota, Virginia); several more in 2010 (Mississippi, Oregon, Tennessee, Washington). You need to begin your efforts as soon as possible. Be sure to complete your grassroots efforts well ahead of the expiration period. The Registrant directories of EnviroCert International, Inc. at the program website lists Registrants by states and a look at it may help you identify others that can help with the efforts needed to get the certifications recognized as "Qualified" in the CGP. The best time to take official action is during the public comment time frame or public assistance. John Peterson, chair of our government Relations Committee can also be a tremendous asset.

You may wish to contact EnviroCert International, Inc. to obtain references on how other states and jurisdictions have written CPESC requirements into their permit, ordinance, or specification such as EPA Region 8 General Permit for New Mexico, Oregon, California, New Hampshire, Alabama, Georgia, Tennessee, City of Austin TX, City of Avondale AZ, Vermont DOT, Alaska DOT, Ohio DOT, and New Hampshire DOT.

The Environmental Protection Agency's 2007 publication, *Developing Your Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan—A guide For Construction Sites*, references "several states require that sites be inspected by someone that the state certifies as a qualified inspector" and lists the CPESC program as an example.

Remember to be pro-active and take the necessary steps early in the process to achieve success. Our goal: working to restore and maintain the...integrity of the waters of our country.

*CPESC and Your State's Construction General Permit continued...*

Use this link to contact your Regional and Area Representative and get involved! § <http://www.cpesc.org/cc-info/ reps.asp>

**Conference Roundup continued**

- ◆ **Pennsylvania Association of Conservation Districts—State College, PA**  
Again, this was a first, but promises results for the future. Our CPESC Exam Review Class was held with good attendance.
- ◆ **Wal-Mart Construction Managers Conference—Bentonville, AR**  
Good conference with a lot of interest in our programs.
- ◆ **Alabama Chapter of SWCS—Birmingham, AL**  
AL SWCS always has a good conference, and this year it was the same. Although attendance was off somewhat, interest was still good.
- ◆ **US EPA Region 6 MS4 Conference—Houston, TX**  
Review classes and Exams were provided and interest at the booth was very good.
- ◆ **Association of State Floodplain Managers—Orlando, FL**  
This too, was a first for us, but the conference was a success as far as we are concerned. Tremendous interest in the certifications from several MS4 communities.

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<b>Registrants Score Card</b> 	<b>CPESC 2009</b> New Applicants: 680 New Registrants: 536 <b>TOTAL</b> Active: 3,453 Suspended: 388
	<b>CPSWQ 2009</b> New Applicants: 99 New Registrants: 68 <b>TOTAL</b> Active: 546 Suspended: 21

