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Ahhh, January in Indiana – we go from spring-like weather to ice and snow in one day!! Consumer Confidence Reports are due (see What's Up What's New – IDEM below). The Indiana legislature is in full swing (see Page 4). We encourage you to keep up with the legislative issues and contact your legislators to let them know your thoughts on potential legislation that will affect your utility. Please visit AWWA's Water Utility Council webpage (www.inawwa.org and click on WUC/Legislative Info) for the latest information on the various bills that have been submitted.

AWWA's Annual Conference will be held at the Marriott Hotel in downtown Indianapolis on February 20 – 23, 2006. The Small Systems Committee will have a booth at this event, so please stop by to see us!!

WHAT'S UP WHAT'S NEW - IDEM

It's time to start thinking about the Consumer Confidence Report. As in 2005, IDEM will assist small public water systems fulfill their annual Consumer Confidence Report (CCR) requirement. In the spring, IDEM will mail out ready-made CCRs with the required information filled in and tailored to each system. Systems have the option to simply make copies of the IDEM-prepared CCR or create their own CCR for distribution. Remember you still have to ensure that these get distributed to your customers and the certification of distribution has to be provided to IDEM. If you do not receive your prepared CCR or would like help in preparing your CCR, please give us a call. We would also like to remind you that sample results for all systems can be found on our website.

Please note these important deadlines:

- April 1st, 2006 – systems must provide their water quality data to public water systems to which they sell water (so they can prepare their CCR)
- July 1st, 2006 – CCRs must be distributed to residents with copies sent to IDEM and their local health department
- October 1st, 2006 – CCR certification form must be sent to IDEM (certifies that the CCR was distributed)

For more information, please contact Jennifer Wingstrom at (317) 308-3287 or jwingstr@idem.in.gov.

The Drinking Water Operator Certification examination was held on November 3, 2005. There were 188 exams with a passing score of 70% or higher. The results of the exams in each grade level are as follows:

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FYI FROM THE SECTION CHAIR

As my time as Chairman of the Indiana section comes to an end, I want to thank all of you for your support and friendship. It is my intent after the completion of my duties as AWWA Section Chair to stay actively involved with AWWA and to become more involved with our sister association, Indiana Rural Water Association. Like the Indiana Section of AWWA, I have always found IRWA to be a fun group of people whose conferences and events I have enjoyed attending.

Again, thanks to the AWWA Officers and to you, the members of this outstanding organization, for your support. I encourage you to attend our Annual Conference in February and hope to see you there!!

John Stancati, Chair
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WHAT'S UP WHAT'S NEW - IDEM (Continued)

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| Those with score of 70 % or greater | | Those with less than 70 % | |
|-------------------------------------|----|---------------------------|----|
| DSS | 27 | DSS | 7 |
| DSM | 26 | DSM | 13 |
| DSL | 45 | DSL | 36 |
| WT1 | 2 | WT1 | 0 |
| WT2 | 21 | WT2 | 3 |
| WT3 | 53 | WT3 | 14 |
| WT4 | 3 | WT4 | 12 |
| WT5 | 13 | WT5 | 11 |

The next opportunity for an applicant to take a water works examination is May 4, 2006. A routine announcement will be sent to all Mayors, Town Board Presidents, Water Works Officials, Superintendents and Interested Parties at least 60 days before the test date. Applications will need to be received 45 days prior to the test date, in order to be considered for review for the May 4, 2006, examination. If you would like to sit for the exam, you can request an application now. Remember you will have to return the application within the noted time frame and have the application filled out completely and accurately and signed by the certified operator(s) under whom you received your training.

As you know, Indiana Code 13-18-16-7 requires that the person responsible for the operation of a public water supply is to submit samples for analysis and reports of operation pertaining to the sanitary quality, chemical quality, or adequacy of those supplies. So based on this requirement, as a certified operator in responsible charge of a public water supply system, it is your responsibility to ensure that the samples are collected and those results submitted to this office for compliance purposes. In response to violations of the monitoring and reporting requirements, a letter will be sent to certified operators in responsible charge of systems who fail to monitor and/or report analysis of required sampling. Failure to correct this violation could result in a referral to our Office of Enforcement. If you receive such a letter and feel it is in error, you should immediately provide us with a copy of the sample result. If you failed to collect the sample, or failed to report the result, you will need to rectify that by collecting the sample or submitting the result. You may have to issue a public notice

for the failure. All required reports are due by the 10th of the month following the reporting period. This certainly includes sample results. To prevent having to deal with this, an easy way to check if your samples have been received is to keep tabs by reviewing our web site. The sample results are posted as soon as they are entered into the database. If you do not see the sample result, you should be taking some action. This will prevent problems for you in the long run. If you have any questions please feel free to contact our compliance staff.

The Water Pollution Control Board finally adopted the changes to the construction permitting regulations at their January 11, 2006, meeting. Those rules will be going to the Attorney General for review within the next month and should be effective sometime this summer. The preliminary adoption hearing for the changes to the operator certification requirements was February 8. This rule includes provisions allowing for site specific operators at some small water systems, reductions in the number of required site visits for some system classifications, and allows operators with WT licenses to operate very small distribution systems without a DSS license. There are also requirements in that rulemaking for surface water systems to correct significant deficiencies found during sanitary surveys and for certain systems to submit monthly reports of operation.

EPA promulgated the Stage 2 Disinfectants and Disinfection Byproducts Rule on January 4, 2006, and the Long Term 2 Enhanced Surface Water Rule on January 5, 2006. The Stage 2 Rule affects any system that disinfects their water or purchases water that is already disinfected. Depending on the size of your system (or the largest system to which you are interconnected), implementation requirements under this rule begin between October 1, 2006, and April 1, 2008. IDEM will be doing a presentation on this rule at the IRWA Conference on Wednesday, April 26. Please come to find out more about this rule.

If you have questions about any of these new rules, please contact Stacy Jones of the Drinking Water Branch at (317) 308-3292.

THE 2006 LEGISLATIVE SESSION IN BRIEF

BY DAVE MCGIMPSEY, BINGHAM McHALE LLP

The 2006 session of the Indiana General Assembly is now in full swing. Several bills affecting the water utility industry have been proposed. These bills can be separated into three major categories: eminent domain, utility regulatory and environmental. A comprehensive review of all proposed legislation affecting the water utility industry is outside the scope of this article, but a select number of bills are described below.

Eminent Domain: Eminent domain is one of the most visible hot button issues. After the U.S. Supreme Court's decision in Kelo, which in essence allowed the use of eminent domain for economic development purposes (as contrasted to limiting the use of eminent domain strictly for public improvements), bills addressing eminent domain were inevitable. Set forth below are brief descriptions of several bills involving the use of eminent domain:

HB 1010 (Eminent Domain): This bill imposes additional requirements on the use of eminent domain, such as new appraisal requirements, timing requirements on initiating a condemnation proceeding and new requirements on the timing of use after acquisition.

SB 74 (Acquisition of Utility Property): In practical effect, this bill eliminates condemnation of public utility property by a municipality. Limited exceptions include condemnation pursuant to the "troubled utility" statute, IC 8-1-30.

Utility Regulatory: Several bills, if passed, could impact the way in which the State of Indiana regulates water utilities:

HB 1018 (Water Authority Audits): This bill would remove water authorities from the oversight of the state board of accounts and certain other oversight mechanisms. Independent CPAs would still be required to audit the books and records of water authorities. Water authorities would also be required to keep the audit report on file.

HB 1076 (Contracts for Public Water and Wastewater Projects): This bill expands the applicability of guaranteed savings contracts and utility efficiency programs that local governments may use to include water and wastewater projects.

HB 1094 (Reconnection Charges): This bill provides that a utility's reconnection charges may not exceed the actual cost of reconnecting service. It also requires reconnection within one (1) calendar day after being requested to reconnect service.

Environmental: Every session typically has proposed environmental legislation that affects the water utility industry. Listed below are several bills that, if passed, could impact the water utility industry:

HB 1364 (Environmental Rulemaking): This bill would prohibit the water pollution control board, among other boards, from promulgating a rule that is stricter than its federal counterpart. Exceptions exist in limited circumstances.

SB 234 (Environmental Rules and Enforcement): Unlike HB 1364 above, SB 234 does not prohibit Indiana rules that are stricter than corresponding federal rules. SB 234 specifies certain notice requirements when a rule is proposed that is more stringent than its federal counterpart or attempts to regulate an area unregulated by the federal government. The bill also creates a special procedure for the water pollution control board to adopt water quality standards for certain combined sewer overflow communities.

SB 369 (Drought Planning): This bill would create the water shortage task force. The task force has a number of objectives. A major objective is to update the 1994 water shortage plan, including establishing a low flow and drought priority use schedule. The task force would also encourage local governments to adopt ordinances establishing priorities of water usage during droughts.

SB 392 (Growth Related Projects and Land Conservation): As it affects water utilities, this bill would require the department of local government finance to give priority to local school construction projects that do not require, among other factors, new water or sewer infrastructure. The DLGF also may not approve new lease rental agreements or bond issues for local school construction projects that require new water and sewer infrastructure without a demonstration of impracticability of alternatives. Water and sewer construction projects are identified as growth related projects that may not be funded by IDEM or INDOT unless they are in a priority funding area.

The bills listed in this article are but a small percentage of the total bills that have been filed in the 2006 legislative session. The information in this article is not legal advice and is only general in nature. For specific information on bills and how they might impact your utility, seek the advice of legal counsel.

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WATER SAMPLE COLLECTION: A REFRESHER ON WHERE AND HOW TO TAKE A PROPER SAMPLE

LAURIE WEBB, ENVIRONMENTAL LABORATORIES, INC.

Total Coliform. VOCs. IOCs. SOCs. TTHMs. HAA5s. Nitrates. Lead and Copper. Am I filling your brain with useless random letters to drive you crazy? No. These are just a few parameters that every public water system needs to analyze for compliance purposes. The operators that have been around for a while will recognize these abbreviations. New operators, however, can feel overwhelmed with all of the different tests and all of the different places and procedures needed to take each water sample. This refresher should clear up any confusion about sample collection.

Some parameters should be collected at the point of entry (usually a water plant) and should come from a tap that is “after chlorination and before distribution”. The tests that fall into this category are as follows: VOC, IOC, SOC, and Nitrate. Your contract laboratory should supply chain of custody and sampling instructions for each analysis. It is important to read the sampling instructions carefully before taking the sample. If you are required to add acid to a sample bottle, make sure to wear plastic gloves. Also, pay close attention to the laboratory’s sampling instructions when a sample must have “zero head space”, or no air bubbles (e.g. VOCs) or must be shipped to the lab in a cooler.

It is important to sample correctly the first time to avoid having a retake. Most of these analyses need to be received by the lab within 5 working days to ensure they do not exceed holding time requirements. It’s a good rule of thumb to mail the sample the same day you take it and try not to sample on Fridays.

Other analyses require collection out in your water system, usually at local businesses, customer’s homes, or fire hydrants. TTHM and HAA5 samples must be taken at a point in your system that represents the “maximum residence time”, but cannot be on a dead end. This is a point where the water remains in your system the longest amount of time and would have the most organics. If you are not sure of the correct location, don’t hesitate to contact IDEM for clarification. Lead and Copper samples are usually dreaded the most by water operators because each utility is required to work with their local customers when collecting the samples. Your Lead and Copper sampling locations must be representative of your system and should include houses that are on each sampling tier. Systems should only use tier 3 and tier 2 sites if they don’t have any tier 1 sites. It is important to try to use the same houses every time to monitor their progress. IDEM understands that sometimes you need to change sampling locations, so they ask that you try to find new houses that are similar in age, style and distance from the plant. Please make sure to remind homeowners that they need to take the sample from a faucet that does not have a softener and it should be the first draw of the morning.

Total Coliform is the most common test for water plants and is the easiest one to accidentally contaminate. It is very important that you have clean hands when taking the samples. It is also important to remove any filters or screens from the faucet and sterilize the tap with bleach or chlorine to kill any bacteria that may be present. Let the cold water run for 5 minutes before sampling to ensure you are getting fresh water. Be very careful when unscrewing the top of the bottle and do not lay the bottle top on any surfaces while sampling. Carefully hold the sample bottle under the running water and be sure not to touch the lip of the bottle to the faucet. After sampling, carefully replace the bottle cap and do not re-open the bottle. Make sure to properly fill out the chain of custody and clearly identify where the sample was taken. Total Coliform has a very short holding time (36 hours) and should be driven or mailed to your contract lab immediately.

All sample report forms are to be clearly marked with the public water supply identification (PWSID) number along with the name of the system, sampler, and the purpose for the sample, e.g. compliance sample, special purpose sample, or repeat sample.

As you can see, there is quite a lot to keep straight when collecting water samples. If you are confused about how and where to sample, you should contact your contract laboratory for instructions and guidance. It’s better to do it once and do it right.

ENVIRONMENTAL INFRASTRUCTURE WORKING GROUP (EIWG)

Does your community have an upcoming infrastructure project? If so, you may want to consider attending an Environmental Infrastructure Working Group (EIWG) meeting. EIWG is a group of representatives from various state and federal agencies that meets with communities to discuss all funding options for water and wastewater infrastructure projects. The group has also reviewed storm water and economic development project funding options.

Meetings are held monthly and are free of charge. Communities request a meeting with EIWG by submitting a two-page In-Take Document to the IRDC. (This document can be found on-line at www.in.gov/irdc.) After reviewing this document, a meeting will be scheduled between EIWG and the community. Project meetings allow communities to collectively meet with agency representatives to evaluate the community’s situation and to identify funding and technical assistance options. The project meeting and in-take document process allows communities the opportunity to explore all assistance options at one meeting. It also provides for early coordination of multiple funding sources.

This cooperative inter-agency work group is coordinated by the Indiana Rural Development Council (IRDC) and includes the U.S. Department of Agriculture-Rural Development, Indiana Office of Rural Affairs, State Revolving Fund Loan Programs, U.S. Economic Development Administration, US Army Corps of Engineers, Indiana Rural Community Assistance Program, Alliance of Indiana Rural Water and Indiana Rural Water Association.

For more information about the EIWG process or other IRDC programs, please contact Phil Anderson, Executive Director, at 317.232.8776 or paanderson@ora.in.gov.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!! (Continued)

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April 1, 2006 – Water systems must provide their water quality data to public water systems to which they sell water (so they can prepare their CCR). For information, please contact Jennifer Wingstrom at 317-308-3287 or jwingstr@idem.in.gov

April 24, 2006 – Indiana Rural Water Association – Annual Golf Outing – Otter Creek Golf Course; Columbus, Indiana. Contact: Odetta Cadwell at 317-402-7349; MaryJane Miller at 812-988-6631; or visit the IRWA website at www.indianaruralwater.org

April 24 – 26, 2006 – Indiana Rural Water Association – 2006 Annual Spring Conference – Holiday Inn; Columbus, Indiana. Contact: Odetta Cadwell at 317-402-7349; MaryJane Miller at 812-988-6631; or visit the IRWA website at www.indianaruralwater.org

April 26, 2006 – Stage 2 DBP Rule Overview – Indiana Rural Water Association 2006 Annual Spring Conference – Holiday Inn; Columbus, Indiana. Contact: Peter Poon at 317-308-3328 or ppoon@idem.in.gov.

April 27, 2006 – Wastewater Operator Certification Exam – Application had to have been postmarked by March 13, 2006. Contact: Heather Tippey Pierce, Wastewater Certification Coordinator; Indiana Department of Environmental Management; 100 N. Senate Ave - Mail Code 65-42; Indianapolis IN 46204-2251; Phone: 317-233-0479; htippey@idem.in.gov

May 3, 2006 – Indiana Section AWWA – Southwest District Meeting – Dubois, Indiana. Contact: Darrell Heisler at 812-853-3356 or dheisler@amwater.com; or visit www.inawwa.org

May 4, 2006 – Water Works Operator Certification Examination. Application must have been postmarked by March 20, 2006. Contact: Ruby Keslar, IDEM, 317-308-3305 or rkeslar@idem.in.gov

May 9, 2006 – Indiana Rural Water Association Workshop – In Search of Utilities (locating and leak detection) -- Columbus, Indiana. Contact: Odetta Cadwell at 317-402-7349; MaryJane Miller at 812-988-6631; or visit the IRWA website at www.indianaruralwater.org

May 10, 2006 – Indiana Rural Water Association Workshop – In Search of Utilities (locating and leak detection) -- Muncie, Indiana. Contact: Odetta Cadwell at 317-402-7349; MaryJane Miller at 812-988-6631; or visit the IRWA website at www.indianaruralwater.org

May 11, 2006 – Indiana Rural Water Association Workshop – In Search of Utilities (locating and leak detection) -- Merrillville, Indiana. Contact: Odetta Cadwell at 317-402-7349; MaryJane Miller at 812-988-6631; or visit the IRWA website at www.indianaruralwater.org

May 12, 2006 – Indiana Section AWWA – Southeast District Meeting – Abe Martin Lodge, Brown County State Park, Nashville, Indiana. Contact: Roger Maynard at 812-218-1512 or maynard@amwater.com; or visit www.inawwa.org

May 18, 2006 – Indiana Section AWWA – Central District Meeting – Eagle Creek Golf Course; Indianapolis, Indiana. Contact: Dan Hilton at 317-996-2816 or dhilton@ccrtc.com; or visit www.inawwa.org

May 19, 2006 – Indiana Section AWWA – Northwest District Meeting – Schererville, Indiana. Contact: John Hardwick at 219-642-8412 or jahvwd@netnitco.net; or visit www.inawwa.org

May 25, 2006 – Indiana Section AWWA – Northeast District Meeting – Kendallville, Indiana. Contact: John Mugford at 260-982-2993 or jmugford46962@mchsi.com; or visit www.inawwa.org

98th Annual Meeting INDIANA SECTION AWWA

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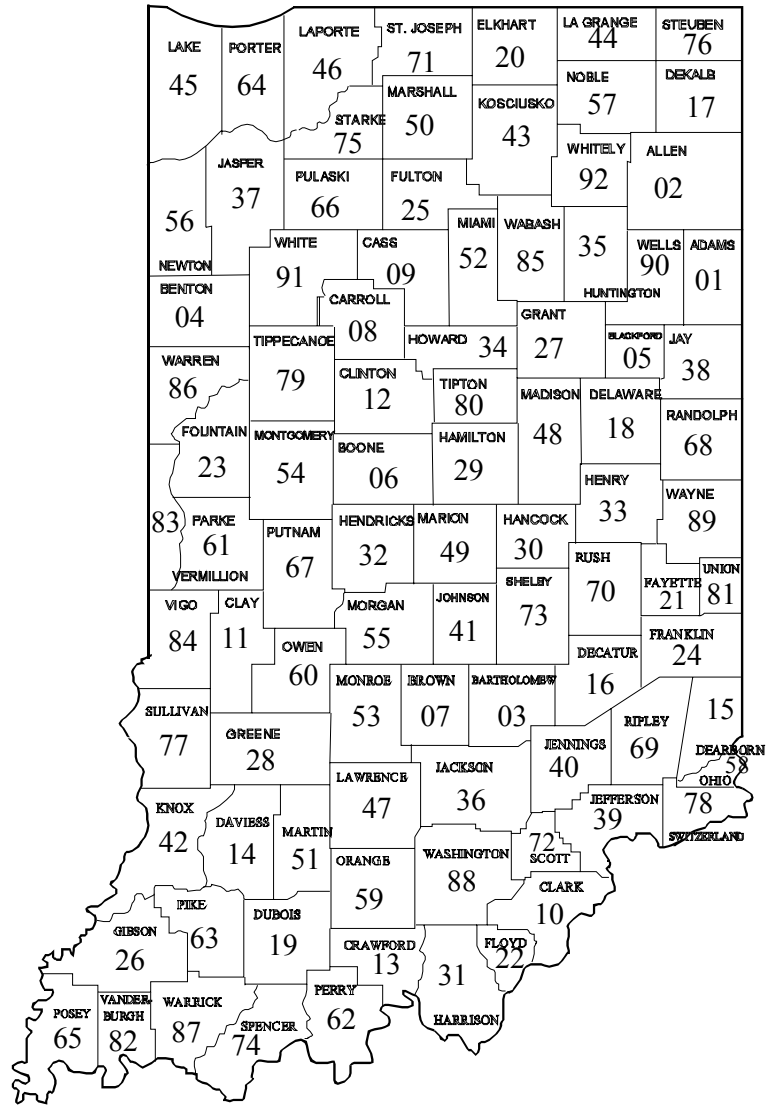
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February 20 – 23, 2006 – Indiana Section AWWA Annual Conference – Marriott Hotel; Downtown, Indianapolis. Contact: Tim Bumgardner at 317-745-1124; www.inawwa.org

February 22, 2006 – Stage 2/LT2 Rule Overview – Marriott Hotel; Downtown, Indianapolis. Contact: Peter Poon at 317-308-3328 or ppoon@idem.in.gov. Although this training session is being held during the AWWA Conference, it is not part of their conference agenda. You are not required to register for the AWWA Conference to attend; however, if you would like to visit the exhibit hall or any of the presentations that are part of the AWWA conference, you will need to register.

March 2, 2006 – Wellhead Protection/Source Water Protection Workshop – Cedar Lake, Indiana. Contact: Jim Sullivan, IDEM's Ground Water Section at 800-451-6027, Ext. 308-3308 or Sherri Winters, Alliance of Indiana Rural Water at 888-937-4992.

March 7, 2006 – Indiana Rural Water Association Workshop – Water and Wastewater Pumps 101 – Winamac, Indiana. Contact: Odetta Cadwell at 317-402-7349; MaryJane Miller at 812-988-6631; or visit the IRWA website at www.indianaruralwater.org

March 13, 2006 – Application to take Wastewater Operator Certification Exam must be postmarked by this date. Contact: Heather Tippey Pierce, Wastewater Certification Coordinator; Indiana Department of Environmental Management; 100 N. Senate Ave - Mail Code 65-42; Indianapolis IN 46204-2251; Phone: 317-233-0479; htippey@idem.in.gov

March 16, 2006 – Indiana Rural Water Association Workshop – Pipe Products – Ford Meter Box in Wabash, Indiana. Contact: Odetta Cadwell at 317-402-7349; MaryJane Miller at 812-988-6631; or visit the IRWA website at www.indianaruralwater.org

March 20 – 22, 2006 – Alliance of Indiana Rural Water – Spring Conference – Bloomington, Indiana. Contact Laura Vidal at 317-789-4200 or visit www.inh2o.org

March 20, 2006 – Water Works Operator Certification Examination Application submission must be postmarked by this date. Water Works Operator Certification Examination will be given May 4, 2006. Contact: Ruby Keslar, IDEM, 317-308-3305 or keslar@idem.in.gov

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