

***West Virginia Sewage Advisory Board Meeting
NRCCE Morgantown, WV – June 9, 2005***

10:30AM- Meeting Called to order

Member Attendance- Dave Watkins-WVDEP, Kirk Powroznik-WVBPH, Bill Clark-W.J. Clark Inc., Todd Powroznik-Monongalia County Health Dept., John Perkins-WVDEP, Stan Walls-Raleigh County Health Dept. Rick Hertges-Berkeley County Health Dept., Bill Rice-Homeowner Representative, Clement Solomon-NSFC, Joe Wyatt-OEHS, Joe Eagle-Installer Representative, Steve Bayer- Mid-Ohio Valley Health Department, Marvin Kerr-Installer Representative, Paul Ashburn-Ashco-A-Corporation

Guest Attendance- Evelyn Hopkins-WVDEP, Melisa Powers-WVDEP, Julie Cavender-WVDEP, Mark Whittaker- WVDHHR

Clement wanted to thank Rosemary Milburn for setting up the meeting.

Joe Wyatt asked if there was a motion for approval of the minutes.

Stan made a motion to approve the minutes. Dave seconded. All in favor minutes approved.

OLD Business-

Eco-Pure 300-

Joe Wyatt said it looks like it may not be 3rd party data.

Paul asked what Mr. Festa is asking for approval for?

Joe W. said just for his systems approval, he wasn't specific

Dave W asked what comments came from Ann Spaner regarding fees? Dave said we charge fees for permits. There is no reason to use the fees that are in the PVP. We already have set fees. We could use our current fees and take out the fees in the PVP. Mr. Festa could then go through the PVP.

Rick asked what we could approve them for, peat systems are not in the design standards.

Mark said that there is a catch all phrase that states unique systems designed for specific purposes.

Clement said that this data is familiar. Its for subsurface discharge.

Rick said we have the 1 foot reduction on HAU's, that's all we have.

Clement said why don't we send them the protocol and ask them where they fit.

Mark said how can we put them under a protocol we don't have.

Rick said to approve this technology we currently have no other way than PVP.

Marvin said we currently have a peat system approved, how can we not approve this one.

Mark said there is a letter of approval.

Clement said we ask them to define what they want, and the protocol is a way to determine this.

Joe W asked if we could implement this by policy.

Mark said I think we can it's been done before.

Joe W said he would try to get it adopted as policy.

Dave said you don't have to have a separate set of fees. We need a procedure to evaluate these systems. There is more coming and wanting approval.

Dave asked what approval they want. Is there an application they can fill out? The board needs to agree.

Paul said we need to adopt this as policy.

Bill Rice said we need to get started. He agrees with Paul. Political decisions are spurred on by crisis, Putnam County is an example.

Clement said it should remain a policy until we go through the growing pains and iron out certain issues.

Todd asked if the peat was experimental. (Yes) He would need 2 acres or more on new construction.

Bill C said that Putnam County has approved 300-1 acre lots.

Joe W said the subdivision can be approved but the individual lots must be permitted.

Dave Watkins made a motion for Joe Wyatt to go back to the director and ask that the Board would like to implement as policy the PVP without fees, and we should do it as soon as possible. There are people wanting technology approval in WV. We could charge fees under the existing code. Stan seconded. All in favor. Motion carries.

Dave said if you're going to experiment you need to throw out the pink book. Let these people succeed or fail.

Clement mentioned Funding from 319. He said there will be a free workshop for watershed groups on July 7-8, 2005.

Meeting adjourned for lunch.

The afternoon portion of the meeting was held at the onsite training center a Chestnut Ridge. A tour of the technologies was given.

The next meeting will be on September 1, 2005 at the Flatwoods Days Inn at 9:00AM