

**Massachusetts Water Pollution Control Association  
Board of Directors Meeting  
August 18, 2010  
Conference Call**

The following participating in the conference call:

Henry Albro, Tom Azevedo, John Connor, Mike Foisy, Dan Freitas, James Laliberte, Vincent Melendez, Janice Moran (NEWEA), Mike Moreau, Eric Smith and Ray Willis

**Old Business:**

1. **Fall 2010 Trade Show Status** – The Fall Trade Show will be held on Wednesday, September 29, 2010 at the Wachusett Mountain Resort in Princeton, MA.

John Connor reported that 34 vendors are currently registered to participate in the trade show. Last year 48 vendors participated. John suggested board members make calls to vendors not currently registered. John and Tom Azevedo will work the vendor check-in table. John also mentioned that the registration process at the trade show will be changed to include a pre-registration table and an on-site registration table. Volunteers will be needed to assist with registration. It was also mentioned that attendees would need to collect signatures from the vendors for TCH credit.

Chair-lift Ride: It was agreed that the chair-lift ride was successful last year and should be offered again. It was also suggested to offer two ride times instead of one longer period. No tickets will be used. Tom Azevedo will inquire about cost from the resort. Henry Albro and Joe Witts are interested in sponsoring the chair-lift ride again.

Raffles: It was decided that two raffles would be offered – 50/50 for Ops Challenge MA Team and for vendor prizes. Both raffles will be sold at \$1 for one ticket and \$5 for arms length. Volunteers will be needed to sell tickets. It was suggested that sponsor opportunities should be added to the vendor registration form for next year.

Shirts/hats: Mike Foisy volunteered to bring the Norton shirts and hats to the show and will order more if needed.

Tom Azevedo mentioned that the chili & chips station and cash bar will be set-up mid-morning. The mountain BBQ luncheon will be held at 12:30pm beginning with award presentations. Eric Smith volunteered to contact Valerie Flaherty to see if any award nominations have been submitted. A board of directors meeting will be held following lunch. Tom also volunteered to contact the Wachusett Valley Inn to reserve overnight rooms for himself, Mike Moreau and John Connor.

2. **Operator Exchange Program** – Vinnie Melendez announced that a previous candidate could not attend so Phil Ryan, Haverhill has offered to participate in the New Hampshire exchange. Phil Ryan's boss has requested a letter stating Phil's acceptance into the program. John Connor volunteered to write the letter. The NH operator, Sam Heffron will visit Massachusetts from September 26-29, ending with the trade show. John Connor will have a complimentary Trade

Show registration badge ready. Tom Azevedo volunteered to make a hotel reservation for him at the Wachusett Valley Inn.

3. **Management Training Program** – Jim Laliberte reported that he currently has 17 applications for the program, of which 10 are MWPCA members. Jim expects to receive a few more before the class is scheduled to begin in September.

**New Business:**

1. **Next Meeting** – It was noted the next conference call will be held on Wednesday, September 1, 2010 at 3:00PM.