

North Carolina Waterworks Operators Association

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Proposed Senate Bill 536

Pending legislation to improve viability of the water and wastewater systems of certain units of local government by requiring local government commission approval of grant applications; to require certain water and wastewater systems to undergo a review of infrastructure management, organizational management, and financial

management; to create the viable utility reserve to provide grant money for local government units; to create a monthly surcharge to fund the viable utility reserve; to provide a statutory process for merger and dissolution of water and wastewater systems established under 11 chapter 162A of the general statues; to promote the importance of interlocal agreements to the operation of water and wastewater systems; and to study sub-basin transfers and 14 historical charters. For more information go to:

https://www.ncleg.gov/Bill-LookUp/2019/S536 The purpose of GO WITH THE FLOW is to keep you, the operator, informed of some of the training opportunities that are available for your certification needs (new and renewal). The Training/Meetings calendar will be updated quarterly as information about new training opportunities becomes available. Events may be scheduled by: NCWOA, Public Water Supply Section, State Laboratory of Public Health, and other sources. This newsletter may also contain information on new regulations, news from the Certification Board, and important need-to-know resource contacts.

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NC AWOP team evaluated the contact time at the City of Morganton water treatment plant in January 2019

Contact Time Disinfection

by Kimberly Barnett, P.E. Public Water Supply Section, Division of Water Resources - NCDFO

Contact time (CT) disinfection is the water treatment industry standard for primary disinfection. When water is exposed to the surface, it also has been exposed to surface contamination, whether from animals or humans and there is the potential for biological contamination. The primary reason we know disinfection of microbiological contaminants is effective is application of the method for determining CT. Disinfection is a critical component of a multi-barrier approach to drinking water treatment.

HISTORY OF DISINFECTION

Disinfection of water by chlorine first occurred in Chicago in the early 1900s. Disinfection kinetics were determined by Chick in 1908 who recognized that there was a chemical reaction that caused microbial inactivation (Chick, 1908). It quickly spread in large cities in the United States due to the dramatic reductions in typhoid fever associated with its use. By 1918, 1000 cities where employing chlorine as a disinfectant (Race, 1918).

Amendments were made to the Safe Drinking Water Act in 1989 that required all surface water facilities to achieve at least a 99.9 percent (3 Log) removal-inactivation of Giardia lamblia cysts and a 99.99 percent (4-log) removal-inactivation of viruses. The new requirements for conventional treatment and disinfection were called the Surface Water Treatment Rule (SWTR). EPA determined that conventional treatment if operated properly could achieve a 2.5 log physical removal of Giardia and a 2-log physical removal of viruses. The remaining 0.5-log for Giardia and 2-log for viruses is achieved through inactivation by disinfection.

Disinfection kinetics were studied before the promulgation of the SWTR to determine the rate at which disinfectants could inactivate different microorganisms including but not limited to E.Coli, Giardia Lamblia, Entamoeba hystolycita, Naegleria cysts, Poliovirus 1, and Giardia muris. These experiments found that plotting disinfection concentration and time to achieve percent inactivation was possible. Furthermore, it was found that solids content, pH, and temperature had a significant impact on disinfection inactivation (AWWA,1999). CT is defined as the concentration of disinfection in the water times the time the water is in contact with the disinfectant (prior to the distribution entry point).

DETERMINING CONTACT TIME IN NORTH CAROLINA

North Carolina uses EPA methods and guidance to determine if the water is treated properly. The CT ratio must be greater than 1 to achieve inactivation through disinfection. The CT ratio is obtained by dividing CT required by CT achieved. Given that EPA determined a well operated conventional treatment plant could achieve a 2.5 log physical removal of Giardia and a 2 log physical removal of viruses, then disinfection (CT) must achieve at a minimum an additional 0.5 log inactivation of Giardia and 2 log inactivation of viruses. The CT ratio must be greater than 1 to achieve inactivation through disinfection. The CT ratio is obtained by dividing CT required by CT achieved.

The EPA Disinfection Profiling and Benchmarking Guidance Manual dated August 1999 and the EPA LT1ESWTR Disinfection and Profiling Technical Guidance Manual dated May 2003 are free resources. The two manuals explain how to determine CT required and they have tables based on log removal, highest temperature, lowest temperature, and lowest chlorine residual for the day.

The EPA manuals also explain how to determine CT achieved based on the chlorine residual and T10. The T10 is the residence time for 10 percent of the water as it moves through the disinfection treatment process facilities. Tracer studies are completed to determine the T10. For example, if 2 mg/L of tracer study chemical is added after the filters, then the T10 is the time it takes for water with 0.2 mg/L concentration of tracer chemical to reach the end of the disinfection process facilities. All water plants in NC are required to have a valid tracer study. If modifications are made to the water plant which would change the hydraulic residence time through the disinfection treatment process facilities, then a new study is required to be completed and submitted to the Public Water Supply Section Regional office for review and approval.

SUMMARY

Contact time (CT) is an important measure of finished water quality and ensuring that water is safe. CT Ratios are required to be calculated daily to ensure proper disinfection. In the past 100 years since disinfection was first practiced, the water industry has made tremendous strides in reducing long term health risks associated with the use of disinfectants by reducing the concentration of Disinfection by

Products (DBPs). Disinfection contact time protects against acute microbiological contaminants that can cause immediate health effects up to and including death. Much research went into determining CT inactivation and it is still the primary measure for determining the effectiveness of disinfection.

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Small Systems Seminar

August 20, 2019 in Waynesville - 8am - 4pm

The morning session will consist of:

- Administration Records & Operators
- Rules & Regs
- Maintaining Viable Operations
- GW Rule Requirements
- SW Rule Requirements

The afternoon session will consist of:

- GW Treatment Options & Costs
- SW Treatment Options & Costs
- Distribution & Collection Systems Maintaining the System, Emergency Response & Mutual Aid, Emergency Repairs & Public Notification

Certificates for 6 Contact hours for all DRINKING WATER and WASTEWATER certifications

Remote Lab Tech Day

August 28, 2019 in Raleigh

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Water & WW Operations

October 29, 2019 in Greensboro

Topics to include filter assessment, Pumps, PFAS and more......

Improving Efficiencies - System.Facilities.People

Dec 10, 2019 in Raleigh - 8am - 4pm

The morning session will consist of:

Water Efficiencies

- Electrical
- Pumps & Motors
- Soft Starters

Water Loss

Metering

Capacity Development

Growth & Expansion issues

The afternoon session will consist of:

Leadership/Supervision

- Motivation of the Workforce
- Generational Supervision issues

HR Practices

Certificates for 6 Contact hours for all DRINKING WATER and WASTEWATER certifications

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Fall Certification School

September 23-27, 2019 in Raleigh (Fall School Brochure - coming soon)

Advanced Day 2019

September 25, 2019 in Raleigh (Registration in Fall School Brochure - coming soon)

The morning sessions will include:

Regulatory Update on Source Water Protection/The Science Behind Emerging Contaminants/Treatment Techniques for Emerging Contaminants

The afternoon sessions will include:

Using Alert Systems & Social Media to Communicate with our Customers/Effective Communication

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NCWOA Sectional Training

NCWOA sectional training meetings listed below are for 4.0 contact hours and are pre-approved by the NCWTFOCB for treatment and distribution operators. All sectional training is open to anyone regardless of your particular section. Training agendas and locations are tentative and may be subject to change.

All Sectional Training Meetings will take place from 10am - 3pm.

There will be two training sessions (10am-12noon and 1pm-3pm), you may attend one or both. Sectional Trainings are open to anyone, however if you want contact hours you must be an active member or be prepared to pay the \$40 annual membership fee on-site.

Western Sectional Training

August 22, 2019 - Gorges State Park (2 credit hours only)

Topics: System tour, AWOP requirements

October 24, 2019 - Lenoir

Topics: Plant tour, Actiflow, Plant upgrades

Please RSVP to Brendan Kelley at (828) 890-2835 or BKelley@ashevillenc.gov

North Piedmont Sectional Training

August 15, 2019 - OWASA (Carrboro) - sponsored by Trinity Inc.

Topics: TOC vs THM, Emerging contaminants, Plant tour, Distribution

Please RSVP to Melanie Clark at (336) 627-1009 ext 101 or mclark@edennc.us

South Piedmont Sectional Training

August 29, 2019 - Kannapolis

Topics: Handling of process wastes & Distribution - flushing

Please RSVP to Tena Mullis at (704) 920-5163 or mullistm@concordnc.gov

If you are interested in hosting or sponsoring a sectional training meeting please contact
Heather Cagle at (252) 764-2094 ext. 1 or

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Northeast Sectional Training

August 13, 2019 - Greenville Utilities Commission

Topics: Filter Assessment, Plant operations, Troubleshooting well houses, Distribution regs, Disinfection & DBP

October 15, 2019 - Winterville

Topics: Disaster preparedness, Certification Board rules & regs, Flushing

Please RSVP to Yama Jones at (252) 232-6061 or Yama.jones@currituckcountync.gov

Southeast Sectional Training

July 18, 2019 - Sanford

Topics: Plant optimization for TOC removal, Plant operations, Security, Inline instrumentation

October 17, 2019 - PWC (Fayetteville) (2 credit hours only)

Topics: Plant tour, Distribution inspections

Please RSVP to Robin Miller at robin.miller@faypwc.com



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Are you going through an upgrade, adding some new features, starting a new process? Want to share your experience with other operators?

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