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## 2011 Excellence in Biosolids Management Award Nomination Guidance

### Purpose

The purpose of the Excellence in Biosolids Management Award is to recognize significant contributions in the development and implementation of cost-effective and environmentally beneficial Biosolids Management programs and practices.

The awards committee shall consider a wide range of activities that have contributed to excellent biosolids management. Such activities might include:

- Operating Projects (large and small). Outstanding full-scale biosolids recycling projects.
- Technology Development Activities. Significant technological improvements that have been developed and fully proven at the operational level.
- Research Activities. Studies that have substantially contributed to an improved understanding of biosolids beneficial use practices, improved public acceptance and/or advances in technology.
- Public Involvement and Marketing Activities. Significant local, regional, and national activities that have increased the acceptance by the public of biosolids beneficial use practices.

### Nomination and Award Information

Nominations for awards:

- may be submitted by anyone including the nominee, municipalities, consultants, researchers, or other interested parties.
- may include both individuals and groups from private as well as public organizations.
- should include name and contact information for the nominee and name and contact information for the nominator.
- should include a brief description of the project, program or activity that is being recognized and a short description of the nominee. ***Please limit information to 4 pages.***
- should present your biosolids beneficial use activity in a manner that clearly shows the benefits to the environment and addresses how these benefits are communicated to the public.

Nominations must be received on or before **August 5**.

Nominations will be reviewed by a panel consisting of one representative from the NBMA, PNCWA and ORACWA and the State Biosolids Coordinators from Idaho, Oregon and Washington.

Award recipients will be notified by **August 19**.

The award will be presented at the NBMA annual conference and at the PNCWA annual conference.

Short articles describing the award winning activities will be published in the NBMA Biosolids Bulletin, the ORACWA newsletter and the PNCWA Quarterly Newsletter.

## **Evaluation Criteria**

### Overall criteria:

- Current member or active participant of the NBMA, ORACWA and/or PNCWA
- Compliant of local, state and federal regulations
- Significant recycling/reuse of natural resources
- Excellence in project management

### Technology Development:

- Application technology that has potential for use at other facilities
- Resolution of previous biosolids management or utilization problems
- Sustained excellence in advancing our knowledge of technologies that recycle biosolids
- Substantial contribution toward the development of improved technological design and operation

### Operating Projects:

- Sustained full scale proven operation
- Consistent cost effective operation (i.e. illustrates costs/time savings)
- Coordination between stakeholders

### Public Involvement/Marketing Activities:

- Public involvement/awareness among diverse stakeholders
- Demonstrated increase in both public acceptance and demand for biosolids products
- Proactive successful approaches to coordinate with the press and other groups explaining the benefits of biosolids use, cultivating and gaining allies, sharing relevant research or case studies in light of misinformation and unfounded stories that may arise
- Excellence in local information transfer and training efforts that have made a positive local difference (e.g., on-site demonstrations and collaborative efforts involving municipalities, citizens, universities, environmental groups, and others)

### Research:

- Resolution of previous biosolids management or utilization problems
- Improved understanding of the environmental effects associated with the beneficial use of biosolids



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**2011 Excellence in Biosolids Award  
Nomination Form**

**Due by Friday, August 5, 2011**

We invite you to nominate an individual or organizations to receive the Excellence in Biosolids Management Award. Please complete the following information and submit this form to the NBMA. This form must be postmarked or faxed by Friday, August 5, 2011 to:

Northwest Biosolids Management Assoc.  
201 S. Jackson St., KSC-NR-0512  
Seattle, WA 98104-3855 USA  
Phone: (206) 684-1145  
Fax: (206) 263-3485  
E-mail: [maile.lono@nwbiosolids.org](mailto:maile.lono@nwbiosolids.org)

**Contact Information of Nominator (Please print)**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

**Contact Information of Nominee (Please print)**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_ Organization \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State/Province \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_ Country \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Fax No \_\_\_\_\_

Current member of:  NBMA  ORACWA  PNCWA

Please provide a description of the project, program or activity that is being recognized and a short description of the nominee. This description should clearly show the benefits of the nominee's efforts to the environment, address how these benefits are being communicated to the public and highlight the other criteria outlined in the award guidance. (*Limit to 4 pages*).

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