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To: Mayors, Town Board Presidents, Water Works Officials, Water Works Superintendents, and other Interested Persons

From: Vicky Zehr: Committee Chair
Indiana Section AWWA Operator School Committee

Subject: Water Treatment and Distribution Course Begins in August For Persons Preparing for Indiana's Water Works Operator Certification Exams

The Indiana Section of the American Water Works Association, in cooperation with the Drinking Water Branch of the Indiana Department of Environmental Management, is offering a water treatment and distribution operator training course this fall. This 12-week course is an excellent way for water utility operators to prepare for IDEM's water works operator certification exams in Water Treatment and Water Distribution. Additionally, this course provides water professionals an opportunity to expand their water distribution and water treatment knowledge.

Persons who plan to take IDEM's water works operator certification exams for Class DSS, DSM, DSL, WT1, WT2, WT3, WT4, or WT5 should take this course. Classes start approximately twelve (12) weeks prior to IDEM's fall exam date of November 4, 2010.

The required study materials are the WSO Series Textbook set, and the Operator Certification Study Guide. In addition, students can order optional study material such as the WSO Series Workbooks (Basic Science Concepts, Water Quality, Water Transmission and Water Treatment). The WSO Series Workbooks are recommended but not required. Study materials will be distributed the first day of class.

Courses will be offered at the following locations throughout Indiana. Some sites may be combined or cancelled based on enrollment. Directions to course locations are provided with this announcement.

<u>Location</u>	<u>Start Date</u>	<u>End Date</u>	<u>Days and Times</u>
Bloomington	August 10	October 28	Tues & Thurs 6 PM to 9 PM
Columbus	August 7	October 30	Saturday 8 AM to 2 PM
Evansville	August 10	October 28	Tues & Thurs 6 PM to 9 PM
Ft. Wayne	August 9	October 27	Mon & Wed 6 PM to 9 PM
Indianapolis	August 7	October 30	Saturday 8 AM to 2 PM
Jeffersonville	August 10	October 28	Tues & Thurs 6 PM to 9 PM
Logansport	August 10	October 28	Tues & Thurs 6 PM to 9 PM
Mishawaka	August 9	October 27	Mon & Wed 6 PM to 9 PM
Valparaiso	August 9	October 27	Mon & Wed 6 PM to 9 PM
Versailles	August 10	October 28	Tues & Thurs 6 PM to 9 PM
Terre Haute	August 7	October 30	Saturday 9AM to 3 PM

IMPORTANT NOTE! Enrollment for this course does not qualify a person to take the IDEM Water Works Operator Certification Examination. A separate application for the Operator Certification Examination must be submitted directly to IDEM. Contact Ruby Keslar at IDEM, rekeslar@idem.in.gov, phone (317) 234-7431, fax (317) 234-7462 for more information.