

# CROSS CONNECTION ADVISORY BOARD

## Fourth Public Meeting

Friday February 3, 2006

10:00 AM to Noon

Portland State Office Building

800 NE Oregon Street, Suite 612

Portland OR 97232

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## Agenda & Approved Minutes

### I. **Call to Order** – at 10:05 AM

### II. **Introductions - Board and attendees**

Steve West; Vice-Chair (via conference call), Ron Robertson, Jerry Thomas, and Joe McNelly, Monica Anderson, Pat Dorning, Mary Howell; Chair and James Clark, excused absence.

**DHS:** Kate Mattimore

**Public in attendance:** Floyd Hensley, Christine Hollenbeck, Becky Slabaugh, Tom Hempel and Roland Beebe

### III. **Approval of Minutes – December 1, 2005 meeting**

Approved as submitted

### IV. **DHS Reports**

**Board member resignation** - James Clark, DHS Backflow Assembly Tester, City of Florence. A list of interested persons to replace James was provided and some solicitation letters have been sent out.

**Unnamed Board Positions – Public member** – no nominations. DHS Web site has publicized this request for a public member.

**Rule revision process complete** – Three public hearings held; Portland, Roseburg and Bend. Oregon Administrative Rules adopted and made effective January 31, 2006.

**Water System fees from HB 3108** –DHS began mailing fee invoices to all community water system March of 2006. Once

mailings are completed the fees will be due 45 days after the mailing. A second notice was mailed out in May of 2006.

**Legislative Concept** – ORS 448.279 addresses certification of inspectors of cross connections and testers of backflow assemblies; exemptions; fees and payment of costs. Section 2, wording is incorrect since a person can be employed by somebody else that has a construction contractor's board license and still legally do work on a premises. This is will require a statutory change.

## **V. Old Business**

**Review Prioritized Issues** – Repair (item 1) Steve West provided a backflow assembly repair training proposal along with additional training recommendations and logistics. Appears two avenues to deal with this; legislatively or through the plumbing board. It was suggested the board look at the University of Florida's BAT program as well. Ron Robertson provided information from the Department of Labor and Industry to show what a tester, contractor, specialty plumber with backflow certification and a plumber can do or not do inside or outside the building. Annual Summary Reports (item 2) Kate explained the difference between the two Annual Summary Reports currently in use. The reports are similar except for an additional section included for written program plan information on water systems with more than 300 connections information. Smaller water systems have a difficult time understanding why they need to do an ASR. Calibrator requirements and standards (item 6); Jerry spoke about his research on the subject matter and reading materials provided to him from Kate. Jerry intends to visit the manufactures of the equipment and gather information on how they perform the testing. Jerry will also visit some of the local companies to see how they set-up their calibration equipment and review the differences between NIST/USC standards. USC will not deal with calibration requirements rather just approval of gauges so will need to look at ABPA or other sources.

**Remain on list** – 3<sup>rd</sup> party testing providers for Tester and Specialist certification was tabled due to time constraints.

## **VI. New Business**

None

**VII. Advisory Board Member Reports**

None

**VIII. Correspondence**

None

**IX. Public Comment**

**X. Adjournment at 11:52 AM**