



- FROM THE DIRECTOR -

Welcome to 2004. Here's hoping we see an improvement in national leadership over 2003. Don't get me wrong, 2003 had its upside too. But, it is an unforgettable experience to witness your country invade another while sitting in a bar at a conference in San Diego. Here's hoping that we as a country, state, and locality use 2004 to focus on what's important. Our thoughts are with those that find themselves in other parts of the world, away from their families and in harm's way. I, for one, look forward to everyone coming home and working on the challenges that we face here at home.

Here at NEBC, we have an exciting year planned including a full calendar of events. Please check out the calendar in this issue for details. Our monthly luncheons in Seattle and Portland are taking shape. We will kick things off with a brownfields discussion in Seattle on February 4th, followed by a panel on the new Willamette River Authority in Portland on February 12th. Have an idea for a luncheon topic? Call the NEBC staff. In addition to the luncheons, we have begun planning for NVEC 2004 and ECW 2004, the golf tournaments, Mariners Night, and summer time Roof Top Mixers. Mark your calendars and take advantage of these opportunities for networking and education.

We are excited to announce the publication of the 2004/05 NEBC Membership Directory and Resource Guide. Distribution is set to begin in late January. A special thank you to all of our advertisers that make the directory possible. We also appreciate all the work of our publishing partner McGraw Hill. Look for your copy soon.

We look forward to working with you this year. On behalf of NEBC's Board of Directors and staff here's wishing you a happy, prosperous, and PEACEFUL New Year!

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- GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS -

NEBC PARTICIPATION IN DEQ LABORATORY REVIEW WORKGROUP

The Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) is convened a stakeholder workgroup to review the DEQ laboratory functions and space needs over the past several months. Stephen Lawn, Bergeson-Boese & Associates, NEBC Board of Directors, has been serving on the workgroup. The DEQ laboratory and ODHS Public Health Laboratory currently occupies leased space on the Portland State University campus. PSU is terminating the lease because the space is needed for their academic programs. The goal of the workgroup was to develop a set of recommendations that will further guide the State in the purchase and operation of the laboratory facility. Workgroup members come from agencies and associations that regularly deal with environmental assessment, business and economic development, and environmental policy implementation.

The DEQ Laboratory Review Workgroup met for the last time on December 18th. The meeting provided the opportunity to present the group's recommendations to DEQ Director Stephanie Hallock and Deputy Director Paul Slyman. The recommendations will be made public soon and centered around the lab's current activity and needs for the new facility.

- INDUSTRY/ASSOCIATION NEWS -

CALL FOR SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY ARTICLES

NEBC is an advocate for the use of sound science in all policy making. NEBC acts as a regional source of environmental expertise and science for local, state, and federal agencies, policy makers and the public. To that end the NEBC Board of Directors has established a working group to coordinate the collection of issues of interest to membership. The goal is to eventually maintain a collection of sources, including websites, organizations, and/or journals, that could benefit the professional development of NEBC members. The board is currently seeking input from members on which issues are of interest and a list of where individuals are looking for resources related to those topics. Please submit ideas to cara@nebc.org or via fax at 503.222.5050.

AIR QUALITY, GLOBAL CLIMATE CHANGE & RENEWABLE ENERGY

Don't miss the 7th annual Electric Utilities Environmental Conference (EUEC) being held January 19 – 22, 2004 at Loews Ventana Canyon Resort in Tucson, Arizona. EUEC 2004, is one of the largest and most widely recognized technical and networking meetings for environmental business leaders, corporate executives, engineers and specialists from electric utilities, regulatory agencies, academia, consulting and energy companies. The purpose of EUEC is to facilitate technical information exchange and foster cooperation between industry, government, regulators, and policyholders for the protection of our environment. The conference is organized by EPA, DOE, EEI, EPRI, and ETIC. Please visit www.euec.com for a complete list of workshops and descriptions and to register online.

ENVIRONMENTAL INDUSTRY SUMMIT 2004

Environmental Business Journal announces the second annual Environmental Industry Summit to be held March 10-12, 2004 at the Coronado Island Marriott Resort near San Diego. The major objective of the Summit is to put 2004's business conditions into a strategic context for senior executives. Holding the Summit in San Diego in March also allows for an early spring for senior executives to network with their colleagues in a casual yet productive retreat. Information on registration and a preliminary agenda are available on EBJ's website at www.ebiusa.com. **Special Offer for NEBC!** The regular registration rate for the Environmental Industry Summit is \$995. If you sign up through NEBC the registration fee is \$795. Please indicate your desire to register directly in response to this email and we will secure the NEBC rate for you.

GLOBE 2004 INTERNATIONAL TRADE SHOW & CONFERENCE VANCOUVER, CANADA – MARCH 31 – APRIL 2, 2004

GLOBE 2004 is fast approaching! The 8th edition of this biennial conference and trade show on developing the business of the environment will be held March 31–April 2, 2004 in beautiful Vancouver, Canada. The US Department of Commerce has granted Trade Show certification for the event, which recognizes GLOBE's professional capacity in organizing North America's pre-eminent environmental trade fair. This three-day world marketplace for environmental innovation offers outstanding exhibits, visionary conference sessions and prosperous business opportunities. GLOBE 2002 Exhibitors generated over US \$300 million in deals. Nearly 10,000 participants, including 400 exhibitors and 2000 conference delegates from more than 70 countries makes GLOBE 2004 the largest event of its kind in North America. More than 50 conference sessions will feature world-leading experts in the areas of corporate sustainability, energy & climate change, and building better cities. For more information visit www.globe2004.com, call (800) 274-6097 or email info@globe2004.com

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- MEMBER-TO-MEMBER -

PNNL NAMED ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAM DIRECTOR

Terry L. Walton, Pacific Northwest National Laboratory, has been named Environmental Management Program Director. Walton is responsible for developing the business strategy, managing client interfaces, and assuring delivery of relevant solutions for the Department of Energy's environmental management clients, clean-up contractors and small business partners. Walton formerly served as the PNNL relationship manager for Fluor Hanford. He has extensive experience in supplying science and technology to DOE's Subsurface Science Research and Development Program, as well as to other environmental management projects, including the Savannah River Site. Pacific Northwest National Laboratory is a Department of Energy Office of Science research center that advances the fundamental understanding of complex systems and addresses the nation's most pressing challenges in national security, energy and environmental quality. Battelle, based in Columbus, Ohio, operates the laboratory for DOE www.pnl.gov.

EDUCATION

MTCA Spreadsheets Workshop: Hands-on Training with the 3- and 4-Phase Partitioning Models hosted by the Northwest Environmental Training Center will be held January 28, 2004, 8:30 A.M. to 5 P.M. (1 Day) at Allied Business Systems, Computer Lab located at 10604 NE 38th Place, Kirkland, Washington. This course is intended for environmental professionals seeking an improved understanding of the 3- and 4-phase partitioning models specified under the Washington State Model Toxics Control Act (MTCA). Both models are prescribed in MTCA as predictive tools for deriving soil cleanup levels that are protective of groundwater. Washington State Department of Ecology has developed two powerful Excel spreadsheets (MTCATPH10 and MTCASGL10) to assist with the complex model calculations. The instructors will lead participants through a number of hands-on exercises that demonstrate the appropriate use and capabilities of the spreadsheet models. The instructors will also discuss model theory, assumptions, limitations, and alternatives such as empirical demonstrations and leaching tests. Each participant will have their own computer workstation to apply their knowledge to case study data. For more information and to register, please visit http://www.nwetc.org/wpol-404_01-04_kirkland.htm

ARCVIEW AND ENVIRONMENTAL APPLICATIONS OF GIS (GIS-403) hosted by the Northwest Environmental Training Center will be held February 3 - 5, 2004, 8:30 A.M. to 4 P.M. (3 Days) at Allied Business Systems, Computer Lab located at 10604 NE 38th Place, Kirkland, Washington. This 3-day hands on class will introduce participants to the environmental applications of ESRI's ArcView 8 software. Beginning with a discussion of general concepts and vocabulary, the course will move into teaching basic ArcView functionality. Each participant will have their own computer workstation to create, edit, display and analyze real world environmental data during numerous hands on exercises. On the third day, participants will be given an opportunity to become more proficient with their skills by applying their knowledge to more complex and in depth projects. For more information and to register, please visit http://www.nwetc.org/gis-403_02-04_kirkland.htm

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

The State of Washington Dept. of Community, Trade and Economic Development (CTED) seeks two qualified representatives to promote the export sales of Washington goods and services on a contractual basis in China and in Mexico. Minimum qualifications include fluency in Mandarin Chinese or Spanish respectively, fluency in English, Bachelor's Degree in marketing or business, five years experience in international business and a network of government and business contacts in China or in Mexico. The maximum contract amount for the China office is \$70,500 and for the Mexico office is \$50,000. The expected contract time for both positions is from February 15, 2004 through June 30, 2005. For a copy of the Request for Qualifications and Quotations (RFQQ), please contact Ms. Marie Brown at 2001 6th Ave., Suite 2600, Seattle, WA 98121 or at (206) 256-6100/Tel, (206) 256-6158/Fax, MarieB@cted.wa.gov. The deadline for submitting required materials as indicated in the RFQQ will be at 5 PM, U.S. Pacific Time on January 15, 2004 for the China position and on January 5, 2004 for the Mexico position.

**The Olympic Chapter presents
 "Brownfields 2004:
 Opportunities in the Puget Sound Area"**

The presentation will provide an overview of Brownfield spending in the Puget Sound Area. Presenters will include representatives of City of Tacoma, City of Tukwila, Washington Public Ports Association, and ECOSS. Come learn where and when spending will occur for 2004.

Wednesday, February 4, 2004
 11:30 AM – 1:00 PM

McCormick & Schmick's Harborside on Lake Union
 1200 Westlake Avenue, Seattle, WA

\$30.00 each for NEBC & Guests
 \$45.00 each for Non-NEBC Members

Menu Selections

Meat Entrée: Classic Chicken Piccata served with Capers and Lemon Zest
 Veggie Entrée: Roasted Vegetable Cannelloni with Ricotta Cheese, Béchamel and Marinara Sauce

Pre-registration Recommended, timely meal not guaranteed without reservation. Walk-ins will be charged a \$5.00 service fee. Cancellations accepted until 12:00 PM, January 30, after which no-shows will be charged.

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**Pacific Northwest
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**The Cascade Chapter presents
 "SB751: The Willamette River Authority"**

Speakers:

John DiLorenzo, Jr., Attorney, Davis Wright Tremaine LLP
 Richard J. Pedersen, Oregon Department of Environmental Quality
 Jim McKenna, Port of Portland
 (Invited) Staff Advisor, Office of the Governor
 Brief Cascade Chapter reports on Government Affairs Outreach

The 2003 Oregon Legislature passed SB751, which created the Willamette River Cleanup Authority, an entity charged with investigating the cost of restoring the Portland Harbor and recommending whether public funds should be used for any part of that restoration. Luncheon speakers will address where the Authority is likely to go as it begins its work in early 2004. In addition, the Cascade Chapter committee will report on other government affairs matters that it addressed in 2003, including participation in the DEQ Sediment Evaluation Guidance Technical Advisory Panel, the DEQ Laboratory Re-location Review Stakeholders Group, and the Blue Ribbon Committee on Wastewater.

Thursday, February 12, 2004
 11:30 AM – 1:00 PM

5th Avenue Suites Downtown
 506 SW Washington
 Portland, Oregon

\$30.00 each for NEBC & Guests
 \$45.00 each for Non-NEBC Members

Menu Selections

Meat Entrée: Rotisserie Citrus & Spice Oregon Chicken with Buttermilk Mashed Potatoes
 Veggie Entrée: Mushroom, Spinach Lasagna and Oven Roasted Tomato Sauce

Pre-registration Recommended, timely meal not guaranteed without reservation. Walk-ins will be charged a \$5.00 service fee. Cancellations accepted until 12:00 PM, February 6, after which no-shows will be charged.

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- NEBC 2003 EVENTS CALENDAR -

January			
15 & 16	Board of Directors Conference	All Day	TBD – Las Vegas, NV
February			
4	Olympic Chapter Committee Meeting	10:00 AM – 11:30 PM	AGC – Seattle, WA
4	Olympic Chapter Luncheon – Topic: TBD	11:30 AM – 1:00 PM	McCormick & Schmick's Harborside – Seattle, WA
12	Cascade Chapter Committee Meeting	9:00 AM – 11:00 AM	Fifth Avenue Suites – Portland, OR
12	Cascade Chapter Luncheon – Topic: SB751: The Willamette River Authority	11:30 AM – 1:00 PM	Fifth Avenue Suites – Portland, OR
March			
3	Olympic Chapter Luncheon – Topic: TBD	11:30 AM – 1:00 PM	McCormick & Schmick's Harborside – Seattle, WA
11	Cascade Chapter Luncheon – Topic: TBD	11:30 AM – 1:00 PM	Fifth Avenue Suites – Portland, OR
April			
7	Olympic Chapter Luncheon – Topic: TBD	11:30 AM – 1:00 PM	McCormick & Schmick's Harborside – Seattle, WA
15	Cascade Chapter Luncheon – Topic: TBD	11:30 AM – 1:00 PM	Fifth Avenue Suites – Portland, OR
May			
5	Olympic Chapter Luncheon – Topic: TBD	11:30 AM – 1:00 PM	McCormick & Schmick's Harborside – Seattle, WA
7	Olympic Chapter Mariners Night	TBD	Safeco Field - Seattle, WA
13	Cascade Chapter Luncheon – Topic: TBD	11:30 AM – 1:00 PM	Fifth Avenue Suites – Portland, OR
June			
17	Cascade Chapter Luncheon – Topic: TBD	11:30 AM – 1:00 PM	Fifth Avenue Suites – Portland, OR
TBD	Olympic Chapter Golf Tournament	7:30 AM – 1:00 PM	Harbour Pointe Golf Club – Mukilteo, WA
July			
TBD	Olympic Chapter Rooftop Mixer	TBD	Hart Crowser – Seattle, WA
TBD	Cascade Chapter Golf Tournament	7:30 AM – 1:00 PM	Langdon Farms Golf Course – Aurora, OR
September			
1	Olympic Chapter Luncheon – Topic: TBD	11:30 AM – 1:00 PM	McCormick & Schmick's Harborside – Seattle, WA
TBD	Cascade Chapter Summer Mixer	TBD	TBD – Portland, OR
October			
7	Cascade Chapter Luncheon – Topic: TBD	11:30 AM – 1:00 PM	Fifth Avenue Suites – Portland, OR
18 -20	Environmental Conference of Washington	All Day	Washington State Convention & Trade Center – Seattle, WA
November			
3	Olympic Chapter Luncheon – Topic: TBD	11:30 AM – 1:00 PM	McCormick & Schmick's Harborside – Seattle, WA
15 - 17	Northwest Environmental Conference	All Day	DoubleTree Jantzen Beach – Portland, OR

*Events are subject change.

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