

2005 NEAA ELIGIBILITY AND CRITERIA INFORMATION

INDIVIDUAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

Public Service Awards (Four Categories — Local (2)*, State and Federal)

Eligibility: Former or current elected or appointed public officials at the local*, state and federal level of government. Award(s) may be given at each level of government.

Criteria: Outstanding public service exhibiting a particular and continuing awareness of the challenges faced by municipal wastewater treatment agencies.

**Local Public Service Award — two award categories — (1) award(s) may be given to a former or current elected or appointed official representing a service area population greater than 250,000; and (2) a second award category allows an additional award(s) to be given to a current elected or appointed official serving an area less than 250,000 people.*

Distinguished Performance Award

Eligibility: Individual(s) formerly representing AMSA member agencies who maintained an active role in the Association during their tenure.

Criteria: Efforts and dedication in the field of water pollution control while representing their agency.

Environment Award

Eligibility: Unrestricted.

Criteria: Outstanding environmental service.

2005 MEMBER AGENCY ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

Please feel free to submit multiple nominations; however, each project/accomplishment can only be nominated in one category.

Research & Technology Award

Eligibility: Development of a technological innovation related to wastewater treatment or biosolids/sludge use and disposal.

Criteria: Research project or technological innovation must directly relate to the processes of collection, treatment or reuse of wastewater or use or disposal of biosolids/sludge. Project must have been conducted in-house, or by consultant under direction of the agency. Project results must have practical application.

Operations Award

Eligibility: Outstanding project, system or method relating to wastewater treatment operations.

Criteria: Innovative and effective project, system or method relating to wastewater treatment plant or collection system operations developed and successfully implemented by an AMSA member in a cost-effective manner while achieving environmental compliance objectives.

Public Service Award

Eligibility: Significant contribution during the past year in local, state or national public service related to wastewater treatment, public utility operation or environmental protection.

Criteria: Involvement must be by agency staff or commissioners (directors, chairs) with no added payment for public services rendered. Public service must be voluntary (not required by regulation or law).

Public Information & Education Awards (Four Categories — Video, Printed Publication, Educational Program, and E-Media)

Video, Printed Publication & Educational Program

Eligibility: Outstanding and innovative video, printed publication and/or educational program related to wastewater treatment or pollution prevention and control.

Criteria: Program, publication or video must have been produced by the agency staff or by an outside vendor at the express direction of the agency. Program, publication or video must cover some aspect of the agency's operations, and must have been produced for general use or distribution.

E-Media

Eligibility: Outstanding member agency website or downloadable, web-based program that relates to wastewater treatment or pollution prevention and control.

Criteria: Website or downloadable, web-based program content must have been developed and produced by agency staff or by an outside vendor at the express direction of the agency. Website or program must, at a minimum, cover some aspect of the agency's operations and must have been developed for general use.