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July 25, 2003

Blake Anderson
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Dear Blake:

On behalf of the National Biosolids Partnership (NBP), which is a voluntary partnership between AMSA, WEF, and EPA, I congratulate you and the dedicated staff on the successful completion of the requirements for admittance to the NBP environmental management system (EMS) program. Your leadership has been truly remarkable!

As the first agency admitted to the NBP EMS program, your agency has now earned the Partnership's "Seal of Approval." This designation recognizes that your agency has met all the NBP EMS program requirements that support excellence in biosolids management, exceeds regulatory compliance obligations, and provides meaningful opportunities for public participation. Your Certificate of Achievement is enclosed in an attractive plaque. Additional copies of the Certificate are also provided.

Achievement of the "Seal of Approval" indicates that Orange County Sanitation District has satisfied the NBP's requirements of admittance by:

- Documenting responsibility for the Biosolids Value Chain – pretreatment, treatment, and final use;
- Committing to the 10 principles in the NBP Code of Good Practice;
- Operating a Biosolids Management System that meets all the NBP requirements; and,
- Successfully completing an independent third-party audit.

The CD ROM in the enclosed Media Kit will allow your agency to visually display the Seal of Approval in a variety of ways. For example, the files contain graphics that can be used internally or by an outside graphic design company to create displays such as:

- Internet logo on your agency's web page, stationary, coffee mugs, etc
- Signage on trucks
- Hard hat stickers
- Patches for shirts, baseball caps, etc.
- Banners for wall or flag displays
- Certificates

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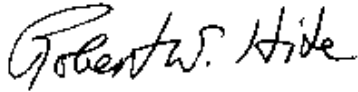
biosolid n (1990): solid organic matter recovered from waste water treatment process and used, esp. as fertilizer – usually in pl.

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In addition to the CD ROM and certificate/plaque, we are sending under separate cover a Seal of Approval banner, wall display, several EMS verified baseball caps and truck sign as a starter.

Again, please convey our appreciation to your staff and others who have worked so diligently to meet the NBP EMS program requirements.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Robert W. Hite". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized initial 'R'.

Robert W. Hite
Chair, National Biosolids Partnership

Enclosures

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