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To: Pollution Control Operators

**From: Pollution Control Operator Certification Board of Examiners,
Office of Pollution Control**

Date: January 22, 2009

Subject: Certification fees increase, effective March 1, 2009

The Board of Examiners for the MDEQ Wastewater Operator Certification program has reviewed the current rate structure for fees associated with the program and determined that a fee increase is necessary to ensure the program is self sufficient and remains viable. Certification fees have not changed since the initiation of the program in 1987 while publication fees have not changed in several years. The staff has developed a new rate structure that will cover publication costs and satisfy current budget needs. These rate changes have been discussed with the Board's stakeholder advisory committee and the MS Water and Pollution Control Operator's Association Board of Directors. Both groups have concurred with the recommendations.

The Commission on Environmental Quality has approved the following fee schedule effective March 1, 2009:

ITEM	CURRENT	MARCH 1, 2009
New wastewater operator certification / 3 years	\$50.00	\$75.00
Renewal of certification / 3years	\$30.00	\$45.00
Exam / each	\$25.00	\$35.00
Publications:		
Manuals	\$35.00	\$50.00
Study Guides	\$15.00	\$20.00
CDs	\$25.00	\$25.00

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