

2008-2009 Executive Board

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As federal funding for centralized wastewater collection and treatment has diminished, there has been a dramatic shift in interest among professionals and the public towards decentralized wastewater technologies which can be environmentally compatible and cost-effective. Decentralized wastewater technologies reduce construction costs, improve water quality, lower energy consumption, replenish groundwater, encourage recycling and reuse of wastewater, and reduce infrastructure requirements when compared to centralized treatment. Decentralized wastewater treatment is a part of the continuum of choices to permanently solve wastewater problems either exclusively or in combination with centralized collection and treatment.

The mission of the CIDWT is to stimulate and enhance the capabilities of educational institutions to help protect public health and maintain a sustainable environment by advancing research and development, education, and training for decentralized wastewater treatment and management. We are meeting this challenge by initiating or participating in many diverse programs, projects, and collaborations. The past projects include development of a National Curriculum for both Practitioners and University Undergraduates, Student Design Competition, and Operation & Maintenance (O&M) for Service Provider Programs. The current CIDWT project is the development of a national Glossary and implementation of Train-the-Trainer academies.

The CIDWT approved new By-laws at their 2005 Annual meeting held October 9 in Cleveland, OH. As part of the reorganization, three categories of membership were defined: Education/Research Institution, Training Center/Program/Association, and Advisory.

The **Educational/Research Institution** (ERI) membership is open to any degree-bestowing state, regional, national, or international educational institution which have some faculty or staff member(s) with a significant portion of their work effort in research AND education. The annual membership dues for ERI institutions is \$300. The privileges of the ERI membership includes:

- Potential for leadership roles.
- Access to all CIDWT products.
- Ability to list CIDWT membership on proposals.
- Can become a registered CIDWT Training Center.

The **Training Center/Program/Association** (TCPA) membership is open to any state, regional, national, or international educational institution; Training Center, Program, Organization, and/or Association; or agencies which have some faculty or staff member(s) with a portion of their work effort in teaching, training, and/or outreach education activities in the decentralized wastewater arena. The annual membership dues for a TCPA is \$300. The privileges of the TCPA membership includes:

- Potential for leadership roles as defined by the by-laws.
- Access to all CIDWT products.
- Can become a registered CIDWT Training Center.

The **Advisory** membership is open to multiple representatives from manufacturers, design professionals, consulting engineers, installers, service providers, regulatory officials, educators, and citizen partners. The annual membership dues for an Advisory member is \$25 per person. The dues can be waived with proof of membership in a national organization that has a significant portion of the organizational mission dedicated to onsite or decentralized wastewater treatment. The privileges of the Advisory membership includes:

- Serve on committees through selection by the committee chair.
- Attend CIDWT annual meeting.
- Have an ad listing on the CIDWT website.
- Have the opportunity to review products being developed by CIDWT.

The CIDWT invites you to join as an ERI, TCPA, or Advisory member to work towards removing barriers for adopting onsite/decentralized wastewater treatment technologies by reviewing the CIDWT By-laws, completing the enclosed Memorandum of Understanding, and returning both the MOU and dues payment to the Chair of the CIDWT, Dr. John Buchanan at the address below. (Please note: If you would like to receive an original signed MOU, please submit two signed MOUs with your dues payment. Otherwise a copy will be returned to you for your records.)

Please send signed MOU and member dues to:

John Buchanan Biosystems Engineering and Soil Science University of Tennessee 2506 E.J. Chapman Drive Knoxville, TN 37996-4531

Please make checks payable to: NC State University and include "CIDWT" in the memo line.

Note that CIDWT funds are held at NC State University. Once your membership is finalized, the member dues will be forwarded from Tennessee to North Carolina.

Consortium of Institutes for Decentralized Wastewater Treatment (CIDWT)

Date



Memorandum of Understanding

Mission Statement of the CIDWT

To coordinate and enhance the capabilities of educational institutions to help protect public health and maintain a sustainable environment by advancing research and development, education, and training for decentralized wastewater treatment and management.

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Please use the template below to list all contacts associated with an ERI or a TCPA who should be included on communication regarding CIDWT activities.		
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