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Drinking Water Corrosivity Contributing Factors

Speaker Bio:

Patty Baron, Patty is an Environmental Specialist III for the Department of Environmental Protection's South District. She graduated Magna Cum Laude from the University of Wisconsin with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Conservation. She has worked in a regulatory compliance role for 30 years, with 28.5 years of experience in the Drinking Water Program and 1.5 years in the Domestic Wastewater Program. Patty's expertise within the DEP's Drinking Water Compliance and Assurance Program is running compliance, assisting facilities with monitoring and compliance issues, working with permitting and compliance staff on performing the chemical and bacteriological analyses reviews, and assisting facilities with maintaining overall compliance. She conducts regular outreach to laboratories, operators and operating companies to provide compliance assistance to uphold the Department's mission.

Stan Epperly, holds dual State of Florida Operators License, OSHA certification, and Storm Water Inspector Certification. He attended Kent State University (Ohio), McKinley Institute of Technology (Ohio), Edison Community College, The University of South Florida, and Provident University. Stan has obtained an associate degree in Metallurgy, and Microbiology and received a Bachelor of Science Degree with a concentration in Civil Engineering from Provident University in May of 2013. Through fifty plus years of increasing levels of responsibility in the water/wastewater utility operations and maintenance field, he has been accountable for the overall execution of several water/wastewater utility operations and maintenance functions including, environmental compliance, permitting, training, and troubleshooting system failures. During that time, Stan has demonstrated a capacity for working in multicultural settings, building and maintaining outstanding regulatory-agency relationships, budgeting, facilitating successful process control solutions, and motivating team participation required to recognize and manage risk, reduce operating costs, and assist people throughout Florida in career development in the utilities field. Stan's experience includes working with state-of-the-art business practices, cutting edge technologies, developing, and applying health-safety and compliance expertise, and promoting the protection of public health and environmental responsibility.

