



**New England Water Environment Association  
Executive Committee Meeting  
June 2, 2019**

**ACTION ITEM: Formalizing the Regulator Membership Category**

By a unanimous vote of the Membership Committee, I submit the following NEWEA-only Membership Category for approval to the ECM at the NEWEA Executive Committee Meeting on June 2, 2019:

As discussed at the April ECM in Dover, the Membership Committee proposes to formalize the Regulator Membership category. The regulator community participation in the association benefits all our members and helps to diversify the NEWEA membership.

The pilot program started in 2016 as a NEWEA-only membership category with each of the New England Environmental Regulatory Agencies, including USEPA Region 1, Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection, Maine Department of Environmental Protection, Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection, New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services, and the Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation participating.

During the pilot phase, seventy-two (72) members have used this category with forty-five (45) remaining as current members. Additionally, thirty-one (31) have joined in the past two years. Each regulatory agency has at least one member utilizing the regulatory category, again addressing diversity within the NEWEA membership.

While these NEWEA-only members do not count towards the NEWEA membership for our WEF delegates, their participation in member challenges discussions are important and warrant the reduced fees. The Regulator Member will not be a member of WEF or receive any of WEF's benefits (publications, webinars, etc.). The action of formalizing this membership category has no breach of the current by-laws as confirmed by the By-Laws Committee.

The Membership Fee for the Regulator Category has been set at \$50.00 annually, subject to annual increases as recommended by the Membership Committee and approved by the ECM, with reduced rates for specialty conferences.

Upon formalization of this category, it will become the responsibility of the Membership Committee - working in tandem with our State Associations - to maintain active members within the regulatory community.

The Membership Committee requests that the NEWEA-only Regulator Membership Category be formalized and added to the annual Membership Association Dues Report Form.

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Respectfully Submitted ECM June 2, 2019 by the NEWEA Membership Committee

Chair: Peter Frick

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**ACTION ITEM**

The NEWEA Membership Committee recommends that the Executive Committee accept this action.

Action: \_\_\_\_\_Approved      \_\_\_\_\_ Approved as Amended      \_\_\_\_\_ Denied