

USWAG PFAS Workshop:

Managing and Mitigating PFAS Risk in Utility Operations

May 21-22, 2025

OMNI Las Colinas Irving, TX

Preliminary Program

Wednesday, May 21 2025	
1:00- 1:05 PM	Welcome Dan Chartier, USWAG Executive Director
1:05 – 1:40 PM	Setting the Stage: PFAS 101 and the Current Regulatory Landscape Allison Foley, USWAG R&R Committee Counsel, Venable LLP
1:40 – 2:05 PM	Parts Per Trillion? Why Are PFAS Standards So Low? Jay Peters, Principal Risk Assessor, Haley & Aldrich
2:05 – 2:30 PM	Sampling Considerations for PFAS Forensics: Beyond Method 1633 Sarah LaRoe, Managing Scientist, Anchor QEA
2:30 – 3:00 PM	Implementing OTM-45 Testing at Waste-to-Energy Facilities: Lessons Learned Carrie Tuit, PhD, Principal, Gradient and Eric Ealy, Project Manager, Xcel Energy
3:00 – 3:30 PM	Break
3:30 – 3:55 PM	Evaluating Options for PFAS Treatment, Destruction & Disposal: An Overview of the Technology Evaluation Approach Hari Parthasarathy, Principal, Geosyntec
3:55 – 4:15 PM	Destruction of PFAS in Concentrated Wastes by an Innovative Advanced Reduction Process Raul Tenorio, PhD, Senior Environmental Engineer, & John Xiong, Principal Consultant/Applied Research Leader, Haley & Aldrich
4:15 – 4:45 PM	Addressing PFAS in Stormwater: Regulatory and Compliance Considerations for Utility Operators Maggie Buckley, Senior Technologist - Environmental Solutions, Jacobs
4:45 – 5:30 PM	Panel (Moderator TBD) Rock Vitale, Environmental Standards; Sarah LaRoe, Anchor QEA; Carrie Tuit, Gradient; Hari Parthasarathy, Geosyntec; and Raul Tenorio, Haley & Aldrich
5:45 – 7:45 PM	PFAS Workshop Reception Open to All Workshop Delegates & Registered Guests

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Thursday, May 22, 2025	
7:30– 8:30 AM	Breakfast
8:30 – 9:00 AM	Exploring PFAS Fate and Transport in Subsurface and Groundwater: The Role of Precursors, Subsurface Heterogeneity, and Environmental Dynamics Ali Meyal, Senior Scientist, Anchor QEA
9:00 – 9:30 AM	PFAS Impacts at APS Generation Facilities Lori Zito, Remediation Consultant, Arizona Public Service
9:30 – 10:00 AM	Practical Considerations for Limiting PFAS Liability in Day-to-Day Utility Operations Catherine Stott, Project Manager/Associate Environmental Engineer and Rick Rosvold, Senior Associate/Environmental Engineer, Burns & McDonnell
10:00 – 10:20 AM	Break
10:20 – 10:50 AM	Case Study: Management of PFAS-Impacted Groundwater During Electric Utility Installations Peter Szpaichler, Environmental Engineer, TRC
10:50 – 11:20 AM	Discovering and Treating PFAS While Decommissioning a Power Plant: A Case Study Tom Boom, Vice President and Senior Environmental Engineer, Barr Engineering Co.
11:20 AM - Noon	PANEL (Moderator TBD) Ali Meyal, Anchor QEA; Catherine Stott, Burns & McDonnell; Peter Szpaichler, TRC; and Tom Boom, Barr Engineering
Noon – 1:00 PM	Lunch
1:00 – 1:30 PM	Solar Development on PFAS-Contaminated Properties Steve Crider, Sr. Engineering Technical Analyst, Consumers Energy
1:30 – 2:00 PM	PFAS Risk Mitigation: Proactive Identification & Elimination of Potential PFAS Sources Vicky Furnish, Principal Manager of Environmental Compliance, Environmental Services Department, Southern California Edison
2:00 – 2:30 PM	Managing Power Industry Operational and Environmental Risks Related to PFAS Seth Kellog, Senior Principal and& Herwig Goldemund, Principal, Geosyntec
2:30 – 3:00 PM	Break
3:00 – 3:30 PM	Mitigating PFAS Risks: A Comprehensive Strategy for Utility Operations to Transition from AFFF to Fluorine-Free Alternatives David Fulton, Environmental Program Director, Tetra Tech
3:30 – 4:25 PM	PANEL (Moderator TBD) Steve Crider, Consumers Energy; Vicky Furnish, SCE; Seth Kellogg, Geosyntec; David Fulton, Tetra Tech
4:25 – 4:30 PM	Closing Comments & Adjournment

Updated April 25, 2025