BAPPG Committee Report to BACWA Board

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Committee Request for Board Action

None

Business Discussed and Action Items

BAPPG Steering & Main Committee Meetings on December 6, 2006:

Dr. Teng-Chung Wu was recognized for his recent retirement as Technical Services Director from Mt. View Sanitary District. Dr. Wu was a former staff member of the RWQCB and supported the formation of BAPPG by pushing for funding for a RB counterpart.

Bart Brandenburg and Ted Shapas did a presentation on the EcoWise Program – a Program funded by the State Water Resources Control Board to certify Pest Control Operators (PCO) in proficiency with Integrated Pest Management. Program staff is currently working with Agency Purchasing Managers to have PCO contracts require EcoWise Certified contractors to create demand on the back-end.

After a short presentation by Monica Oakley and Doug Humphrey (and the playing of that now infamous sewer lateral video) BAPPG members responded enthusiastically about working with the BACWA Collection System Committee on an outreach piece to Plumbers & Building Contractors to prevent blockages that can lead to SSOs.

Business	Action Item	Due Date	
BAPPG 2007/2008 Project Proposals	Proposals for 2007/2008 BAPPG projects are due by the February 2007 BAPPG Meeting for consideration in BACWA's annual budget process. (All)	2/7/07	
BAPPG Coordinated Mercury Thermometer Exchange Event	Coordinate a week/weekend in the Spring to advertise and hold a mercury thermometer exchange event. Participation is decided by agency. All agencies will be given the opportunity to participate in bulk-purchase of digital or solar thermometers. (Jen Jackson, EBMUD)	Spring 2007	

Other Issues of Note:

The BAPPG/CWEA Workshop on Creating a Dental Amalgam Workshop was a huge success with about 90 attendees. Attached is a summary of the evaluations received. Tom Mumley will be including a report on the workshop in the RWQCB's January EO Report.

Production of the BAPPG FOG scrapers was completed & the scrapers were delivered to Peter Fong at the City of Benicia. Most scrapers were distributed to agencies at the Dental Workshop; orders over 5,000 were delivered directly to agencies.

Date of Next Committee Meetings:

BAPPG Monthly Steering Committee Meeting in January - Date TBD

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From:

Melody LaBella

To:

Jennifer Jackson

Subject:

Re: BAPPG thermometer group buy

>>> "Jackson, Jennifer" <jacksonj@ebmud.com> 12/19/2006 1:07 PM >>>

Hello all,

I would like to get a feel for how many other agencies would be interested in doing a group buy of mercury-free thermometers. There are three options:

Gallium-filled glass thermometers (look different than Hg glass therms): http://www.alibaba.com/manufacturer/14486390/Buy Gallium Thermometer/sho wimg.html

(the ones we'd buy would be in both Fahrenheit and Celsius) at about \$2.90 each / 5000 units, \$2.82 each / 10,000 units and \$2.72 each / 15,000 units

Digital solar - powered thermometer at \$5.30 each / 5000 units, \$5.20 each / 10,000 units and \$5.05 each / 15,000 units: http://www.rgmd.com/retail.html#solar

Digital thermometer powered by button batteries at \$2.85 each / 5000 units, \$2.70 each / 10,000 units and \$2.30 each / 15,000 units

The company that I found has very good quality control and the thermometers are tested multiple times for accuracy at the manufacturing facility in Germany. The drawback is that they don't have a way to print directly on the thermometer cases, so if that's something you'd want, we'd need to find a printer that could do logos on the cases.

If you're interested, please let me know the following:

- 1) which type? (put order of preference)
- 2) how many?
- do you want logos printed directly on the thermometer for an additional cost (I'm going to get a quote ASAP)? You can also just print stickers and apply them to the therms in-house.

Thanks!

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