

### **Nomination Guidance**

# 2001 Biosolids Exemplary Management Awards Program:

For Operating Projects, Technology Development, Research, and Public Acceptance



#### INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is pleased to announce the 2001 Biosolids Exemplary Management Awards Program. This year's program has been expanded to recognize excellence in all areas of municipal biosolids management, including outstanding operating projects, research studies, technological advances, public acceptability, and risk and cost reduction activities. EPA encourages you to submit nominees.

This program is being announced on the Internet and in publications and bulletins. The very process of preparing a nomination package is beneficial. It helps preparers focus on the relevance of their efforts and facilitates the spread of knowledge about the excellence of nominated activities so that others might benefit. Transfer of information about all nominated activities is very important; so, please do not miss the opportunity to submit your nomination.

EPA encourages states and regions to have local Biosolids Exemplary Management Awards Programs. These increase the opportunity for recognition, promote public understanding of good biosolids management at the local level, and emphasize the benefits and sound science behind exemplary management. Water Environment Federation (WEF) Member Associations, the National Biosolids Partnership (NBP), and regional biosolids management associations will be encouraging nominations for this year's awards program. We have added categories and modified criteria so that a broader spectrum of programs with sound management, effective communication to stakeholders, and community-friendly practices can be recognized. These changes are consistent with ongoing NBP efforts to develop an Environmental Management System for Biosolids (EMS) that all biosolids managers should want to implement.

The following material describes the awards program in detail and provides guidance for preparing and submitting nominations. Please note that you need to send your nominations to the EPA's Regional Offices by the deadlines specified in this document so that your outstanding efforts can be considered for both regional and national competitions. The National awards will be presented in October 2001 at the Annual WEF Conference and Exposition (WEFTEC) in Atlanta, Georgia.

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## 2001 BIOSOLIDS EXEMPLARY MANAGEMENT AWARDS PROGRAM

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#### **PURPOSE**

The purpose of the awards program is to recognize significant contributions in the development and implementation of cost-effective, environmentally safe and publicly acceptable biosolids management practices. This program helps EPA achieve its goal of promoting, collecting and disseminating information on the exemplary management of biosolids as authorized by the Clean Water Act.

The Biosolids Awards Program is part of the Office of Water's National Wastewater Management Excellence Awards Program and is authorized by Section 501 (e) of the CWA.

This Nomination Guidance may also be found on the Internet at

HTTP://WWW.EPA.GOV/OWM/BIOGUD.HTM

#### **AWARD CATEGORIES**

Nominations will be accepted for recognition of excellence in a wide range of activities that have stimulated the exemplary management of municipal biosolids. National awards may be presented in the following categories:

- # <u>Operating Projects (large & small)</u>. Outstanding, full-scale, exemplary management technologies.
- # <u>Technology Development Activities</u>. Significant technological improvements developed and fully proven at the operational level; these may be pilot or full-scale activities.
- # Research Activities. Studies that have substantially contributed to an improved understanding of biosolids management practices, reduced risks and costs, improved public acceptance, and/or have advanced the technology.
- # Public Acceptance Activities (municipal & others). Significant local, regional, and national activities that have increased public acceptance of biosolids management practices.

#### NOMINATION AND AWARD INFORMATION

- # Nominations for awards may be submitted by anyone including the nominee, EPA regions, states, WEF member associations, municipalities, consultants, researchers, or other interested parties.
- # Nominated entries may include both individuals and groups from private as well as public organizations.
- # As these nomination packages are prepared, it is important to tell the story in a manner that clearly shows the benefits of exemplary management, including how the activity reduced public concern. This information can often be utilized locally in press releases, brochures and other outreach activities.
- Previous first-place winning projects or activities will not be considered as candidates for the same award category for a five-year period. However, second place winners can reapply after a one-year wait to try for first place in the same award category. Unsuccessful nominees for awards may apply for an award the very next year. Persistence has paid off for many nominees who have won awards after several years of attempts and improved nomination packages.

- # Check with your regional EPA office for any details about a possible local awards competition in your state.
- # For consideration in the National Awards Program, completed nomination packages (see specified format pages 6 & 7) must be received in duplicate by the EPA region in which your activity/project is located (pages 9 & 10).
- # The tentative regional deadlines for receipt of nominations are shown on page 9. <a href="Important">Important</a>--Please check with the appropriate regional office contact (page 10) for any region-specific nomination guidance and for that region's final submission deadline.
- # Entries will be considered for state and regional awards (where applicable) as well as national awards. Regions will forward one copy of each qualified nomination package to EPA Headquarters by the June 8, 2001, national deadline.
- Momination packages (received for the national competition) will be reviewed by a panel consisting of representatives from EPA, WEF, and other groups using the evaluation criteria (see pages 4 & 5) during July 2001. The panel recommends winning activities to EPA which, in turn, will make final selections. State and EPA regional offices (where applicable) will also review the nominations for a separate competition in their region. Because the national and regional award programs involve separate review panels and because all qualified entries may be considered in both competitions, it is possible that winners in the national awards program may differ from the regional award winners.
- # Nominated activities may sometimes be chosen for special recognition rather than a categorical award.
- # Winning projects must be in full compliance with applicable regulations.

  EPA will review the panel's recommendations for compliance with regional and headquarters compliance offices before winners are announced.
- # We anticipate being able to notify national award winners by July 31, 2001.
- \* National awards consisting of a certificate and plaque will be presented on October 15, 2001, at WEFTEC Annual Conference in Atlanta, Georgia. Because of fiscal constraints, EPA is unable to pay for travel to the awards program. While we hope that you will attend the National Wastewater Management Excellence Awards Ceremony in October, provisions will be made to present awards to those unable to attend.
- # Short articles describing national award winning exemplary management activities will be developed by EPA and WEF for publication in WEF's

Operations Forum. Subsequent publications describing those regional as well as national activities will be encouraged. Photographic prints and analysis of both winning and non-winning entries will be used in EPA publications that encourage exemplary biosolids management practices. Please send photographic prints and not color zerox as zerox copies cannot be used in publications.

#### **EVALUATION CRITERIA**

The Biosolids Exemplary Management Award candidates will be evaluated against the following criteria:

FOR OPERATING PROJECTS [Two Categories:  $(1) \le 5$  dry tons per day {DTPD} and (2) > 5 DTPD] (Note: Categorization is based upon the actual average daily biosolids production and <u>not</u> the design capacity.)

- **#** Sustained, full-scale, proven operation over several years.
- # Consistent, cost-effective operation.
- # Public acceptance.
- # Compliant with applicable federal, state, and local regulations.
- # Reduced risk.
- # Conservation of natural resources (e.g., nutrients, organic matter, and energy) and control of pollutants and nuisances like odor, dust and traffic.
- # Excellence in project management, and particularly management that fosters close communication and coordination among all biosolids stakeholders including the generator, end-user where applicable, project neighbors and public.

#### FOR TECHNOLOGY INNOVATION OR DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES

- # Sustained excellence in advancing our knowledge of technologies that manage biosolids (e.g., improved design criteria or operational practice).
- # Technology with potential for use elsewhere across the country.
- **#** Operational proof of performance.
- # Resolved previous biosolids management or utilization problems and have helped gain public acceptance.

#### FOR RESEARCH ACTIVITIES

- # Greatly improved our understanding of the environmental effects associated with biosolids management.
- # Contributed substantially to development of improved design and operation.
- # Generated key information for the development of improved biosolids regulations and guidance, e.g., for use in the new EMS now being developed for biosolids.
- # Provided quality information from well-designed studies with wide applicability and statistical merit.

#### FOR PUBLIC ACCEPTANCE [Two Categories: (1) Municipalities (2) All Others]

- # Demonstrated increases in both public acceptance and public demand. The term "public" is meant to include regulatory agencies, agricultural organizations, water quality professionals, public health officials, environmentalists, academic institutions, and the news media as well as the general public. Indicators of "demand" include such factors as waiting lists and users paying for biosolids.
- # Dedicated and successful individual and team efforts.
- # Demonstrated willingness to share information and approaches for improving practices, reducing risks and thereby gaining public acceptance.
- # Successful approaches for working with the press and other groups, explaining the benefits of the chosen biosolids management activity, cultivating and gaining allies, and disproving alarmist rumors that may arise.
- # Excellence in local information transfer and training efforts that have made a positive local difference, (e.g., on-site demonstrations and collaborative efforts involving municipalities, citizens, universities, and others).
- # Characterized by managers who work with all stakeholders to identify and utilize critical control points for ensuring sound management and community-friendly practices.

#### NOMINATION FORMAT

The information described in the Nomination Format should be supplied in the nomination package. The completeness of information provided and the manner in which the nomination addresses the Evaluation Criteria in both the Executive Summary and the text is especially important.

All nominations must be submitted <u>in duplicate</u> in the following format to the appropriate EPA Regional Office (see pages 9 & 10).

1. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION (See sample front page form on page 8)

Name, address, affiliation, telephone and fax numbers, NPDES number (if applicable), and the spokesperson for the project or activity. Please also provide the name and addresses of your government officials so they may be notified should your entry win an award (see form on page 8).

2. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY (2 pages or less)

Describe the project or activity indicating the award category for which the nomination is proposed and how you believe it meets the evaluation criteria.

3. FACILITY/ACTIVITY INFORMATION (4-5 pages)

Provide the following relevant information, if applicable, to adequately support the nomination.

- (a) Biosolids type, quantity (expressed as tonnage of dry solids processed per day, week or year), quality (nutrient and pollutant concentrations compared with Part 503 Table 3 pollutant concentration limits), processing information, and other details relevant to the exemplary management practice or activity. Be specific regarding the unit processes, including biosolids production and processing details. Account for the types and amounts of biosolids going to each beneficial use and/or disposal practice.
- (b) Duration and size of the project or activity; extent of ability to operate at design level; and cost and effectiveness information.
- (c) Description of the project monitoring program as it determines compliance; keeps the public informed of biosolids transport, use or disposal; evaluates performance; and helps modify practices.
- (d) Description of the contributions of the cooperating parties to the biosolids managment project or activity.

- (e) Provision of sufficient information, including the NPDES permit number if applicable, so that the awards judges and EPA compliance assurance staff can determine the compliance of nominated projects with applicable local, state, and federal regulations.
- (f) Description of important project management activities that maintain and promote excellence and maximize the benefits of sound biosolids management, (e.g., hold down costs; improve biosolids quality; use a written code of good practice or other means to promote compliance with rules, manage nutrients and minimize odors and other nuisances; and promote acceptance via working with allies, press and the public).
- (g) Description of training activities that have improved operations, performance, and public acceptance.
- (h) Description of the effectiveness of the local pretreatment program that has resulted in better quality and easier management of biosolids.
- (i) Description of special innovative practices or activities.
- (j) Discuss how obstacles (technical, political, public acceptance, or other) have been overcome as a result of the nominated activity.
- (k) Give evidence of the enhanced benefits that have resulted from the activity, such as lower costs for biosolids management; lower energy consumption; fewer public health and environmental risks; greater national adoption of practice; improved public acceptance; and, where applicable, user payments for biosolids, enhanced soil properties, better crop productivity and quality, enhanced plant disease resistance, and increased demand for biosolids products.

#### 4. ATTACHMENTS

Supporting materials may be attached. The attachment should include a short cover index page that lists the various supporting materials and gives about a 4- to 6-line description of each item.

<u>Photographs of the activity are strongly encouraged</u>. *Actual photographic prints are better than Xerox copies,* since only the photographic prints are suitable for publications. EPA and others would like to use your prints in publications that illustrate and provide greater recognition of your activity.

Note: Sheer bulk of information is not necessary or definitive. Be concise and attach items that truly substantiate the importance and relevance of the beneficial use project or activity. Please do not send materials that you wish to have back. They cannot be returned.

#### **SAMPLE FRONT PAGE (2001 Biosolids Management Awards Program)**

I.	Proposed Award Category
II.	Facility Identification Name
	a) Official Name and Address of Award Entity to be Engraved on Plaque and Certificate
	b) Type of Ownership
	(e.g., corporate, private or public, university, etc.)
	Zip Codes of Service Area
	(used to notify US Representatives)
	c) Contact Person Regarding the Nomination
	Their Title, Address, Telephone and Fax No.
III.	Award Notification  a) Name, Title, Address and Telephone and Fax Numbers of Local Officials (e.g., Mayor, Authority Board President, Corporate President, Department Chairman, etc.) of the person to be notified:
	b) Federal and State Political Notifications
	US Senators & Representatives (list names only)
	State Governor's Name & Address
	c) Other
IV.	One Sentence Description

**Lists the Most Significant Noteworthy Features of the Operation/Activity** 

#### **TENTATIVE REGIONAL DEADLINES FOR NOMINATIONS**

EPA Region	Tentative * Deadline Dates	States
1	05-25-01	Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Vermont
2	03-16-01	New Jersey, New York, Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands
3	05-25-01	Delaware, District of Columbia, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Virginia, West Virginia
4	05-25-01	Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee
5	05-25-01	Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Ohio, Wisconsin
6	05-25-01	Arkansas, Louisiana, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Texas
7	05-25-01	Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska
8	05-25-01	Colorado, Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota, Utah, Wyoming
9	05-25-01	Arizona, California, Hawaii, Nevada, American Samoa, Guam
10	05-25-01	Alaska, Idaho, Oregon, Washington

<sup>\*</sup>These deadline dates for receipt of award nomination packages are tentative. Please check with your Regional Office for verification.

#### EPA REGIONAL CONTACT: (See List of States in Each Region, Page 9)

Region	Address	Contact	Telephone	E-mail
1	Office of Ecosystems Protection One Congress Street, Suite 1100 (C Boston, MA 02114-2033	Thelma Murphy MU)	617-918-1615 Fax: 617-918-1505	Murphy.thelma@epa.gov
2	Division of Enforcement and Compliance Assistance 290 Broadway, 20th Floor New York, NY 10007-1866	Alia Roufaeal	212-637-3864 Fax 212-637-3953	Roufaeal.alia@epa.gov
3	EPA Water Protection Division 1650 Arch Street (3WP23) Philadelphia, PA 19103-2029	Jim Kern	215-814-5788 Fax: 215-814-2318	Kern.jim@epa.gov
4	EPA Water Management Division Sam Nunn Atlanta Federal Center 61 Forsyth St., SW Atlanta, GA 30303-8960	Jim Adcock	404-562-9248 Fax: 404-562-8692	Adcock.james@epa.gov
5	EPA Water Division (WN-16J) 77 West Jackson Chicago, IL 60604	John Colletti	312-886-6106 Fax: 312-886-7804	Colletti.john@epa.gov
6	Permits Section, Permits Branch Water Quality Protection Div. (6WQ- 1445 Ross Avenue Dallas, TX 75202	Denise K. Hamilton PP)	214-665-2775 Fax: 214-665-2191	Hamilton.Denise@epa.gov
7	901 North 5th St. (WWPD) Kansas Cith, KS 66101	Cynthia Sans	913-551-7492 Fax: 913-551-7765	Sans.cynthia@epa.gov
8	Biosolids Mgmt Program (8P-W-P) 999 18th Street, Suite 500 Denver, CO 80202-2466	Bob Brobst	303-312-6129 Fax: 303-312-7084	Brobst.bob@epa.gov
9	EPA Clean Water Act Compliance Office (WTR7) 75 Hawthorne Street San Francisco, CA 94105	Lauren Fondahl	415-744-1909 Fax: 415-744-1235	Fondahl.lauren@epa.gov
10	EPA NPDES Permits Unit (OW130) 1200 Sixth Avenue Seattle, WA 98101	Dick Hetherington	206-553-1941 Fax: 206-553-0165	Hetherington.dick@epa.gov
- Also Contact:	The Water Environment Federation Attention: Technical & Educationa 601 Wythe Street, Alexandria, VA 22		703-684-2400 Fax: 703-684-2492	edemichele@wef.org

Category	Winner [Activity]	Award*/Year
Operating	Merco Joint Venture, LLL, Sierra Blanca, TX [Contr Land Ap]	1st 2000
Projects	Unified Sewerage Agency, Washington Co, OR [Arid Land Ap]	2d 2000
>5MGD)	Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewer Dist [Milorganite, land ap]	1st 1999
,	City of Portland, OR [Comp & Land Use]	2nd 1999
	City of Tacoma, WA [Multiple, Team TAGRO]	1st 1998
	Western Carolina Regional Sewer Auth. [Multiple]	2nd 1998
	City of Houston, TX [Heat Dry & Land Ap Lime Stab]	1st 1997
	Ducket Creek San Distr., St Charles, MO [Land Ap Aerobic Dig]	2nd 1997
	King County, WA WPC Div [Farm & Forest]	1st 1996
	County San Distr of LA, CA [Diverse]	2nd 1996
	City of Austin, TX, [Multiple Uses]	1st 1995
	Tacoma Utilities Services, WA [Land Ap, TAGRO Soil Mix]	2nd 1995
	City of Los Angeles, CA [Multiple Uses]	1st 1994
	City of Columbus, OH [Multiple Uses]	2nd 1994
	Clayton Co, Water Authority, GA [Heat Dry, Comp.]	1st 1993
	City of Austin Water & WW Util, TX [Comp, Air Dr]	2nd 1993
	Charlotte-Mecklenburg Util. Dist., NC [Land Ap]	1st 1992
	Truckee Meadows Water Reclaim, Dist., CA [Land Ap]	2nd 1992
	City of Omaha, NE [Land Appl.]	1st 1991
	Miami-Dade, FL [Air Dry, Composting, Marketing]	2nd 1991
	Vallejo San. & Flood Control Dist., CA [Land Ap]	1st 1990
	Cape May County Mun. Util. Auth., NJ [Composting]	2nd 1990
	Hampton Roads, VA [Nutragreen - Land Ap., Comp.]	1st 1989
	Clayton Co., GA [Comp, Heat Dry, Tree Prod.]	tie2nd1989
	Pima County, AZ [Land Application]	tie2nd1989
	Seattle Metro, WA [Forest & Ag. Land Use]	1st 1988
	San. Dist of Los Angeles Co., CA [Composting]	2nd 1988
perating	Lexington, NC Regional WWTP Compost Facility	1st 2000
rojects	Dekalb County, GA Pole Bridge Creek Adv Sec Trt Fac [Land Ap]	2nd 2000
5 MGD)	City of Lenoir, NC Lower Creek WRF [blended Products]	1st 1999
	City of Washington, NC Water Resources DPW [Land Ap]	2nd 1999
	Blue Heron Water Recl Facility, Titusville, FL [Mixed]	1st 1998
	Freemont, NB Wastewater Trt Facility [Liquid Land Appl]	2nd 1998
	Univ. Joint Auth., State College, PA [Composting]	1st 1997
	Summerville, SC [Liquid Land Appl]	2nd 1997
	Newton, IA WPC Facility [Anaerob Land Appl]	1st 1996
	Port Townsend, WA Biosolids Composting Facility	2nd 1996
	Elizabethton, TN [Co-composting]	1st 1995
	Chippewa Falls, WI [Land Appl by Injection]	2nd 1995
	Cumberland County Util Auth, NJ [Land Appl]	1st 1994
	City of New Smyrna Beach, FL [Land Appl]	2nd 1994
	Lafayette Wastewater Trtment Plant, GA [Land Appl]	1st 1993
	Chillicothe Munic Util WW Tmt Plt, MO [Liq Land Appl]	2nd 1993
		1st 1993
	The City of St. Peters, MO [Land Appl.] The Sugger Co. Mun. Httl. Auth. N.I. [In Vess Compl.]	
	The Sussex Co. Mun. Util. Auth., NJ [In-Vess, Comp]	2nd 1992
	Alpena, MI [Revegetate Industrial Waste Site]	1st 1991
	Blackfoot, ID [Land Appl., Outreach]	2nd 1991
	Hannibal, MO, Bd of Pub. Works [Econ Land Ap]	1st 1990
	Redwood San. Sewer Service Dist., CA [Co-Compost]	2nd 1990
echnology	King County, WA WPC Div [Forest Bios App System]	1st 1996
evelopment	WSSC Montgomery Co., MD Regional Compost. Fac.	
	[Scrubber and Mixing Advances/Comp. Odor Conf]	1st 1992
	City of Lancaster, PA [Composting Odor Cont.]	2nd 1992
	N-Viro [Alkaline Stabilization of Sludge], OH	1st 1990
	WSSC Montgomery Co., MD Regional Compost. Fac.	
	[Thermal Odor Control]	2nd 1990
	Austin, TX [Accelerated Air Drying]	1st 1989
	WSSC Montgomery Co. MD, Regional Compost. Fac.	
	[Chemical Odor Control]	1st 1988
	Sussex Co., NJ [Compost Odor & Process Control]	2nd 1988

<sup>\*1</sup>st and 2nd place awards are not always given

#### PREVIOUS NATIONAL BENEFICIAL BIOSOLIDS USE AWARD WINNERS (cont.)

Category	Winner [Activity]	Award*/Year
esearch	Poland Biosolids Smelter Waste Reclaim Proj, R III	1st 2000
	Littleton/Englewood, CO [Dryland Wheaf]	1st 1999
	WSSC Montg Co, MD Comp Fac [Trt Plt Process/Odor]	1st 1998
	City of Phila.Water Dept, PA [Comp Opns & VOC's]	1st 1995
	Dr. Terry Logan, Ohio State Univ, OH	1st 1994
	Rocky Mt. Forest & Range Exp Sta, NM	2nd 1994
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	Los Angeles County San Dist, CA [Comp Odor/VOC]	1st 1993
	Drs. Al Page & Andrew Chang, Univ of CA, Riv.	1st 1991
	Dr. Paul Giordano, Tenn Valley Authority, AL	2nd 1991
	Dr. Rufus Chaney, US Dept. of Agriculture, MD	1st 1990
	Dr. Michael Overcash, NC State University	2nd 1990
	Univ. of MN, USDA Research Team	1st 1989
	W124/W170 Regional Research Comm., USDA, CSRS	1st 1988
	Allentown, PA/Penn State U, Palmerton [Reveg]	2nd 1988
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ic	City of Wyoming, Michigan [Municipal]	1st 2000
eptan	ce Western Carolina Reg Sewer Auth, Greenville, SC (Mun)	2nd 2000
	Prowers County, CO [Many Groups, Other]	1st 1999
	City of Warren, OH [Municipal]	1st 1999
	Iowa Water Pol Cont Assoc, Ames, IA [Other]	1st 1998
	Cartersville, GA [Municipal]	1st 1997
	Memphis, TN, TE Maxson WW Trt Plt [Municipal]	1st 1996
	City of Tacoma, WA[Municipal]	2nd 1996
	New England Interstate WPC Commission [Other]	1st 1996
	Rocky Mts. Water Environ Association [Other]	2nd 1996
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	Dr. Lee Jacobs, Mich State Univ., MI	1st 1995
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Special Metro. Water Reclam. Dist. of Greate	er Chicago
Recognition Long Term Multiple Contrb. to Benefit	
(cont.) BioGro Systems, Inc., MD [Sustained .	Service &
Enhanced Public Acceptance]	1990
City of Los Angeles, CA & Ag Tech Co.,	AZ [Public-
Private Team from Ocean Disp. to Ben	<i>Use</i> ] 1989
East Bay Municipal Utilities Dist., CA [S	
Contribution to Beneficial Use & Comp	osting] 1989
Honorable Montgomery, AL Water Works & San Se	ewer Board [/ Ap] (LOP) 2000
Mention Jefferson Co Comm, Birmingham, AL B	- /- /
City of Cinton, NC [L Ap] (SOP)	2000
Village Creek WW Trt Plt, Ft Worth, TX	
Pepper's Ferry Reg WWTA, Radford, VA	
Village Creek WW Trt Plt, Ft Worth, TX	- / /
Greenville, NC Utilities Commission [Sp	, , ,
Pole Bridge Creek San Dist, Dekalb Co,	9 91 7
City of Gastonia, NC [Land Ap] (LOP)	1997
Letchworth Ave WWTP, Billericia, MA [	
Winston-Salem, NC, Archie Elledge WW	
Littleton/Englewood, CO WW Trt Plt [Dr	
Louisville, CO WW Trt Plt [Windrow Coi	
Rochester Water Reclamation Plant, MN	N [Pub Acpt] 1996
Bloomington & Normal Water Rec Dist,	IL [ <i>L AP</i> ] ( <b>OP</b> ) 1995
Knoxville, TN Util Bd [Land Ap, Strip Mi	ne] (LOP) 1995
St Charles MO River Trt Fac [Land Ap]	(OP) 1995
City of Salem, OR [Land Ap] (OP)	1994
Broward County, FL [Mkt & Product] (Re	es) 1994
Benton Harbor-St. Joseph, MI WW Trt F	Plt. [ <i>L Ap</i> ] (OP) 1992
Madison, WI, Metro-Gro [Land Use] (LO	P) 1988
Lime Lakes, OH, PPG Corp. [Priv. Svc. 1	Reclaim Alk Site] (OP) 1988
Hannibal, MO [Land Application] (OP)	1988
Bowling Green, KY [Land Application] (	
Fallbrook, CA [Vermicomposting] (TD)	1988
Ohio State Univ, Wooster, OH [Compos	ting Biotech] (Res) 1988

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