

1. Award Title: **BCWWA SMALL WATER SYSTEM AWARD**

2. Purpose of the Award:

To recognize a small water system in British Columbia for initiatives that demonstrates outstanding effort in the delivery of safe drinking water.

3. Granting of Award:

Up to five awards may be granted annually with a maximum of one allocated from each Health Region. Each award will consist of recognition for the water system, a plaque, and one complimentary BCWWA AGM conference registration and individual membership. No award will be granted if submissions do not merit such recognition.

4. Frequency of the Award: Annually, if deserved.

5. Eligibility for the Award:

All systems with a Small Water System classification or a higher classification that serves less than 500 individuals per day are eligible.

6. Entry Requirements:

Any small water system who feel that they might qualify or any Health Authority, Drinking Water Officer, Regional District or consultant, etc. who is aware of a system that has made an outstanding effort in improving the delivery of safe drinking water should consider applying. The attached entry form should be completed and submitted for the award no later than December 31. Winning water systems may subsequently be requested to submit supporting data for display at the BCWWA Annual Conference and Trade Show.

7. Nomination Procedure:

All nominations must be submitted to the BCWWA Small Water Systems Committee by December 31, 2007.

8. Award Committee Membership:

The award committee shall consist of a chair and at least two other Small Water System Committee members.

9. Method of Selecting Award Recipient:

The award committee will consider and evaluate each section entry on the following criteria:

- Innovation
- Effectiveness
- Practical applicability for other small water systems
- Benefits for small systems, the water industry, and the public

Winners will be selected on the basis of the above criteria from the nominations received by the submission date. The award committee may contact nominating sponsors to pose specific questions or for clarification of information on the nomination submitted.

10. Presentation of the Award:

Winners will be contacted by March 1, 2008. Award plaques will be presented to the Small Water System at the BCWWA Annual Conference. Space will be provided at the conference to display materials from winning entries. Winners will also be recognized in the Watermark and through a local presentation, if requested.

BCWWA SMALL SYSTEM AWARD

Entry Form

Submission Deadline: December 31, 2007

ENTRY FORM - Please complete this form and send to:

Small Water Systems
Committee, BCWWA
Suite 221-8678 Greenall
Burnaby BC, V5J 3M4

1. Name of Water System: _____

2. Name of Operator and Certification level: _____
(if applicable)

3. Drinking Water Officer: Name: _____ Phone: _____

4. Description: Briefly describe the initial challenges that existed and the initiatives undertaken to develop the small system in the past calendar year. If appropriate, provide the title of the project.

5. History: Describe the initiatives completed during this past year and when they were started and completed.

6. Innovation: What is unique and innovative about your system's approach to developing and/or implementing this project? What challenges were overcome in the process?

7. Effectiveness: Identify the results achieved using quantitative data where possible. If such results are not yet available, then describe what criteria you plan to use to evaluate the project's effectiveness.

8. Benefits: How can your initiatives benefit other small water systems, the water supply industry and the public? For example, have they addressed issues and concerns that many other small water systems face, or have they increased the profile of small water systems with the public and/or regulatory authorities? Has there been or will there be any outreach activities to demonstrate to other small water systems or the public on what you have accomplished?

9. Additional comments, if any.

10. Attach reference letters and extra sheets, if needed.

Submitted by:

Name _____
Title _____
Phone _____
E-mail _____

Signature

Date

Authorized signatory for water system (if different):

Name _____
Title _____
Phone _____
E-mail _____

Signature

Date