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MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

Wow! It is already the middle of March and so many things are going on! With Spring in the air, just look at what has been developing in the past month or so: the President and Congress have appropriated tremendous amounts of funding in the Stimulus Plan; USA Today has continued to print articles about air toxics in schools; and as I write this, EPA Administrator Jackson announced funding for a special air toxics assessment at between 50 and 100 school sites across the nation. There is still lots of speculation as to the extent to which states will be expected to implement a federal climate change program. Later this week, States will submit proposed designation recommendations to EPA pursuant to the March 2008 change to the ozone standard. Within our own section, many folks are busy preparing our annual report and gearing up for both the A&WMA Annual Conference and Exhibition that will be held in Detroit as well as preliminary work on our own Fall Conference that will be here in October. Locally, as Environmental Professionals, we are developing our reports to satisfy the requirements of both EPA and DEQ.

With so much going on and tugging us in different and sometimes conflicting directions, we need to stop for just a moment to reflect on just what is important about all of the efforts that are underway. I think at times, we lose sight of what our jobs are really about.



Michael Vince

We seem to get caught up in the processes that surround our many work projects, and somehow the focus gets displaced. Sure, all those processes are leading us to end goals, and those goals must be tied to the environment somewhere along the way, but the distractions we encounter on a daily basis have the ability to rob us of our creativity, enthusiasm and energy. The same happens when we are asked to

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JANUARY DINNER MEETING

The January 2009 LAWMA meeting was very well attended. Ms. Maureen N. Harbourt of Kean, Miller & Associates presented on the implications of the December 19, 2008 D.C. circuit court of appeals decision to vacate 40 CFR 63 NESHAP Subpart A Startup, Shutdown, & Malfunction (SSM) regulations. In her

presentation, she noted that in the original *Sierra Club vs. EPA* court case, the Sierra Club challenged Bush administration changes to the original 1994 SSM regulations. Prior to the Bush administration changes, facilities were required to prepare, maintain and comply with a SSM Plan (SSMP). NESHAP sources were exempt from ex-

ceedances of MACT technologybased emissions limits during SSM events, as long as all of the requirements of the SSM regulations were met. The Bush administration changes put in place new restrictions on the requirements to produce the SSMP for inspection by the general public. Noncompliance

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SPOTLIGHT MEMBER

The Monitor would like to recognize **Daniel Wolf** as this issue's Spotlight Member!

Daniel has been a member of Air & Waste Management Association since 1992. He has contributed countless hours of service to the Louisiana Section throughout his successful career. Since 1990, Daniel has served in multiple capacities within the Louisiana Section, including Education Committee Chair, Corporate Sponsorship Chair, Membership Chair and Interim Treasurer. He has held the position of Section Chair twice, from mid 1993- mid 1994 and again from mid 2001- mid 2002. From 2000-2003, Daniel also served as the Sections & Chapters Council Membership Committee Chair. His role as the Louisiana Section Fall Conference Chair in 2004 helped to continue the success of the Section's Fall Conference. In 2007, Daniel became a Louisiana Section Director.



Daniel Wolf

Daniel graduated with a B.S. in Environmental Science from the University of Arkansas. From 1981-1986, he worked for the Louisiana Department of

Natural Resources and the Department of Environmental Quality as an Environmental Quality Specialist at the Capital Regional Office. Daniel worked as Environmental Consultant from 1986-2005, with C-K Associates, Inc. and later RTP Environmental. Currently, he works at BASF Corporation as a Senior EHS Specialist.

Daniel has volunteered his time and talent in numerous ways for the Louisi-

ana Section. With the constant dedication from members such as Daniel, the success of the Louisiana Section will continue to grow!

Congratulations Daniel and Thank you for all your years of service!

If you would like to nominate someone, who has demonstrated the qualities of A&WMA, as a Spotlight Member, please contact Jason Midgett at: jason@sageenvironmental.com

A&WMA Fun Fact!

Did you know that...

The Mission of A&WMA is
to assist in the
professional development
and critical environmental
decision-making of our
members to benefit
society.

IMPORTANT DATES

Sustainability in Practice: Corporate and Community Perspectives

March Dinner Meeting

LDEQ Public Hearing (Lafayette, LA): Draft Water Discharge Permit

A&WMA Conference: First International Greenhouse Gas Measurement Symposium (San Francisco, CA)

LDEQ Public Hearing (Hahnville, LA): Proposed Initial Part 70 Air Operating Permit

LA Solid Waste Conference in Lafayette (DEQ)

Good Friday - State Holiday

Environmental Careers: Finding a Job in a Challenging Economy (A&WMA Webinar)

A&WMA's 2009 Leadership Training Academy (Pittsburg, PA)

Louisiana ENVIROTHON

A&WMA Practical Sustainability Conference (St. Louis, MO)

The Joint Conference: International Thermal Treatment Technologies & Hazardous Waste Combustors (Cincinnati, Ohio)

A&WMA National Conference, Detroit, MI

LA Section of A&WMA Fall Conference 2009

March 12

March 19

March 19

March 22-24

March 24

March 26-27

April 10

April 16

April 24-26

April 25

May 7-8

May 18-21

June 16-19

October 27-28

Descriptions for events can be found on the AWMA website or the Louisiana DEQ website.

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with SSMP procedures was no longer considered to be an automatic violation of the SSM regulations, if the actions that did not follow the SSMP were taken to minimize emissions. Rather than vacating the 2002-2006 rule changes only, the court vacated the entire SSM section of the rule, based on an obscure theory of "constructive reopener". Under this theory, the court decided that EPA had reopened the SSM rules for public comment and review when it made substantial changes to it, by undoing the "four cornerstones" of the original rule, consisting of (1) sources must comply with their SSMPs during SSM, (2) SSMPs must be reviewed and approved by the permitting authority, just like any other applicable requirement, (3) SSMPs must be unconditionally available to the public so they can participate in the determination of the plan's adequacy, and (4) SSMP provisions must be directly enforceable requirements. Even though the deadline for a rehearing has passed (Feb. 2, 2009), the court decision is not final. Depending on whether a rehearing is petitioned for, the decision can be appealed as early as after 90 days of the decision. The earliest date would be by March 19, 2009. It is expected that either EPA or the regulated community would appeal. If the case is not reheard or appealed, there would be no exemption from NESHAP MACT emission limits during SSM events. This court decision does not apply to NSPS, PSD, or state SIP SSM provisions, or to NESHAP subparts that include source-specific SSM requirements, and is not enforceable for any permit conditions for which a permit shield has been granted. EPA's position on enforcement, is that the agency has enforcement discretion over excess emissions during SSM events that may have occurred prior to the court decision. There is also a constitutional issue where a permitted facility cannot be prosecuted for a violation during a time when then current regulations indicated that the rules were valid. In these cases, under the "fair notice doctrine", while the facility may have been in technical violation with the Clean Air Act due to compliance with an illegal rule, it cannot be penalized, but injunctive (corrective) relief measures can be imposed. February 5, 2009, Mr. Rick Colyer of EPA, the point of contact for 40 CFR 63 NESHAP Subpart A, stated that the court has not yet issued a mandate on this vacatur and that EPA attorneys are weighing whether or not to request a rehearing but have not yet made a decision." Ms. Teresa Clemons, point of contact for the EPA TTN ATW, stated that the D.C. Circuit extended the deadline to seek rehearing until April 3 and no party has yet filed a petition for rehearing. The path recommended by Ms. Harbourt for the near future of the case is not successfully challenged is to: (1) determine if emissions during SSM will exceed the MACT emissions limit; (2) if so, plan for compliance with MACT technology based emission standards for 24-hr average periods, by having standby backup control devices, and incorporating those alternative control devices into the current air permit. Ms. Harbourt also noted that the court decision does not remove an "upset defense". If a true upset occurs that meets the rule definition, and if proper notification is provided, then the upset defense may be used. Ms. Harbor also recommended that until the decision is final, NESHAP facilities continue to (1) maintain and comply with their SSMP, (2) continue to submit 2-day and periodic SSM reports, (3) incorporate SSM reports by reference into Title V deviation reports, (3) consider reporting malfunctions as upsets if allowable, (4) review SS events to determine which

may exceed numeric MACT limits, and for those events that can, determine if they can be controlled sufficiently using a permitted alternative control device, (5) review SSMPs, and determine how they can be incorporated into the Title V permit, and (6) made publicly accessible, taking advantage of assertion of confidentiality where allowed by rule. (sources: Harbourt, Maureen N. LAWMA Section dinner meeting PowerPoint™ presentation, "The Status of the NESHAP Startup, Shutdown & Malfunction Rules Post-Sierra Club v. EPA", Kean, Miller, Hawthorne, D'Armond, McCowan & Jarman LLP, January 15, 2009, and emails from EPA staff.)

> Summary Provided by Michael Hebert of Sage Environmental



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MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR CONTINUED

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contribute to other activities – namely our participation in professional organizations. When asked to serve, many times we are distracted or out of focus, and for those reasons, wonderful opportunities just pass us by.

As part of our reflecting, we need to recall just what is important. All of us share a desire for improving the quality of life for ourselves, our families, and other citizens of the state. (If we did not share this passion, we would have changed fields by now!) By focusing on

our core environmental values, we can work through many of the process hurdles to fully realize our goals. In my own life, I have found that I am sometimes so frustrated with the work processes that are "making it harder to do my job" when I should be focusing on the positive impacts that my decisions are having on the environment.

As we all work to refocus with regard to our work projects, I hope that there is still a bit of energy left for us to give a little something to the Louisiana Section and to the A&WMA organization as a whole. I

challenge each of you to find a way that you can focus some of your creative talents to further the mission of YOUR professional organization. Volunteering for a special project, sharing your knowledge and expertise with a Technical Committee, or serving in some other capacity...all of these efforts are important!

I encourage you to take some time with me to reflect on what is important when it comes to this passion that we all have for improving the quality of our soil, air and water resources to enhance our environment. I hope that as part of that process, we might all find some way that we can share our passion with others! As you read through this issue of the Monitor, you will see a number of opportunities for furthering our mission...I hope that you will be able to take advantage of one of them!

To our Young Professionals, please watch the website for exciting meeting and networking opportunities!

I look forward to seeing all of you at the March Dinner meeting in Gonzales!

> Michael Vince Section Chair

A&WMA SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

The Louisiana Section of the Air & Waste Management Association (A&WMA) is searching for candidates for cash scholarship awards of \$1000 or more.

In addition to science, engineering, and public health students, we are now accepting applications from full time law students preparing to practice in the field of environmental law. The applicant's

desire to promote air pollution control and/or solid or hazardous waste management should be reflected in course work and projects. A complete list of eligibility criteria is provided in the application packet.

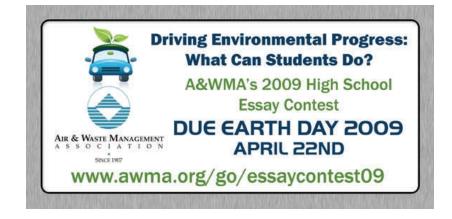
Please help us get the word out to potentially eligible students by making the attached application packet available to them. Application materials must be received by **5:00 pm on Friday, March 27, 2009** for students to be considered. Feel free to contact Karen Blakemore (<u>blakemok@phelps.com</u>) if you have any questions about the scholarship awards.

Kevin Calhoun Education Chair

HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION

Calling all HIGH SCHOOL students! The deadline for the A&WMA's 2009 Essay Contest is quickly approaching. Please see the attached flyer for more information!

Please spread the word to all high school students who may be interested in this event!



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OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Louisiana Section Requests Nominations

In 2001, the Louisiana Section of the Air & Waste Management Association established an annual award to recognize outstanding achievement in the fields of air pollution control or waste management.

The Section has been pleased with the high quality of projects nominated for the award in previous years, and we are now requesting nominations for the award in 2009. Air pollution technical achievements may include: specific processes which minimize or more effectively control air pollution; new air pollution equipment; and improved management practices which reduce air pollution or examine its impacts (i.e., sophisticated models). Material/waste engineering projects may include: production process changes that minimize by-product formation; processes for recycling/reuse of by-

products and/or waste; applied novel techniques for destroying waste; and overall improved systems for waste disposal. The 2009 award recipient will be a company or individual whose contribution to the state of the art technology has been accomplished within the last two years.

Please submit the name of the company or individual being nominated, plus a short description of the project or achievement. Submittals should not exceed ten pages (including text, figures, calculations, photographs, etc.) and should be sent to the following address:

Louisiana Section of A&WMA

Outstanding Achievement Award

c/o Valerie L. Mayhall

Shaw Environmental & Infrastructure, Inc.

4171 Essen Lane, 7th Floor

Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70809

The company being nominated should either be a Corporate Sponsor of the Louisiana Section of the Air & Waste Management Association or have at least one em-



ployee who is a member of the Association. Any individual nominated should be a member of the Association. Nominations will be accepted through May 2009, and the award will be presented at our dinner meeting in September 2009.

We look forward to receiving your nominations!

Valerie L. Mayhall
Awards Chair
valerie.mayhall@shawgrp.com.

UNO CAMPUS CONNECTION

The Department of Civil & Environmental Engineering at the University of New Orleans (UNO) offers MS in Environmental Engineering and PhD in Engineering and Applied Sciences. Students have an opportunity to concentrate on a variety of topics including but not limited to water treatment, wastewater treatment, solid waste management, hazardous waste management, air pollution management (monitoring, modeling, and control), risk assessment, and environmental implications of nanomaterials.

UNO being the urban university, most graduate

classes are offered in the evening making it convenient for working students to pursue their graduate educational goals. Resources such as emissions test facility (ETF), water quality lab, and air quality lab help students carryout their research on conventional and contemporary environmental topics. These resources and UNO expertise are available to local industries, municipal corporations, and commercial establishments to develop sustainable environmental solutions.

Selective research projects that are currently under progress at UNO are:

(1) Green House Gas (GHG) Emissions Quantification from Landfills Using Inverse Dispersion Modeling, (2) GHG Emissions from Wastewater Treatment, (3) GHG Emissions from Wetlands, (4) H₂S/Odor Monitoring and Control Strategies for Landfills and Wastewater Treatment Plans, (5) Remote Sensing Methods for Measuring PM₁₀/PM_{2.5} and Heavy Metals in Ambient Air, (6) Risk Assessment and Risk Management of Nano-Materials and Nano-Particles, (7) Ballast / Bilge Water Treatment Using Electro-Disinfection and Electro-Coagulation, (8) Assessment of Inhalation-Induced Health Risks (Cancer and NonCancer) from Air Toxics, (9) Welding Emissions Quantification/Characterization, (10) Emission Factors Applicable for Dry Abrasive Blasting, (11) Solidification, Stabilization, and Leachability, (12) Environmentally Preferable Purchasing and Material Ranking Based on Environmental Friendliness, (13) Green Buildings, (14) Indoor Air Quality Monitoring and Management, and (15) Worker Exposure Assessment.

Dr. Bhaskar Kura
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A&WMA Member

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ADOPT-A-SCHOOL

The Louisiana Section of A&WMA was please to award grants to our two Adopt-A-School winners during the January dinner meeting. The winners were Dr. Rhonda Perkins from Riverside Academy in Reserve, Louisiana and Mrs. Ladwawn Butler from the Children's Charter School in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Riverside Academy will use the \$1,500 grant for the purchase of 2 ELMO TT-02S presenters. The Children's Charter School will use their \$2,000 grant to equip two mobile science stations.

Kevin Calhoun Education Chair





Adopt-A-School winners, Dr. Rhonda Perkins (left) and Mrs. Ladwawn Butler (right) receiving awards presented by Education Chair Kevin Calhoun.

LSU STUDENT CHAPTER INFORMATION

The LSU student chapter of the Air and Waste Management Association, with several new members present, met on January 29, 2009. This was the first meeting at which the LSU chapter of A&WMA and the Environmental Society had a joint meeting. It was decided last semester that these two

student organizations should combine because of low attendance of the individual organizations meetings. During the meeting we discussed the benefits of becoming members of A&WMA, of attending Louisiana Chapter meetings, and in particular the distribution of a resume booklet at the March dinner

meeting. Part of the meeting was spent on the mentoring initiative that was introduced last semester. The A&WMA seniors answered questions from underclassmen on scheduling classes and choosing classes beneficial to their specific areas of study. The meeting was concluded with a request to



members to think of ideas to promote A&WMA by means of service learning projects or school activities on campus.

Derek Rusin Student Chapter President

YOUNG PROFESSIONALS

With 2009 well under way the Section is busy making plans for the Young Professionals Group. Cochairs are planning a YP event to be held in the Spring and creating a LA Section A&WMA Young Professional group in LinkedIn. The LinkedIn group will be a great networking tool among the YP Group and an easy means

of providing YPs with valuable resources, news, discussions, and YP updates. The goal of the YP Group is to provide YP members with the resources and information important to YPs. As the group grows, the Section is hopeful that YP membership will increase, the YP Program at the Annual Fall Conference will be improved, YP involvement with

A&WMA will increase, and our YPs will become a stronger resource for other Section members. As the YP Group develops please let us know what you're hoping the YP Group can do, either for you or for the Section.

Jennifer Albert Young Professionals CoChair

Fall Conference Info!

The LA Section A&WMA Fall Conference presentations are available on the LA Section website for viewing/downloading by conference attendees. See attachment for instructions.

http://la-awma.org/

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WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST MEMBERS

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Siddharth Rajmohan, Trinity Consultants
Dustin Reid, LSU
Michael Rentz, LSU
David Tarnow, LSU
John Wainwright, LSU
Joshua Waldmeier, C-K Associates, LLC
Brittany Winstead, LSU

MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT CONTEST

The Sections & Chapters Council Membership Committee will sponsor a contest to write the best "elevator speech" promoting A&WMA membership on a one time basis between March 15 and June 1, 2009. The fundamental goal is to remind individual members

that they are the key to membership development.

An "elevator speech" is a short (30-45 seconds, 50-100 words) description of the benefits of A&WMA membership.

Prizes will be awarded in six categories: student, young professional,

faculty, government, industry and general.

The prize will be a \$100 gift certificate applicable to any A&WMA program or product. Up to two prizes awarded per category!

See attachment for more information!



BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND COMMITTEE CHAIRS

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Speaker Co-Chair — Greg Johnson	504-556-4115	Young Professionals Co-Chair- Ann-Margaret Deavers	225-472-9993

Earth Week 2009



The Air & Waste Management Association's (A&WMA) 2009 High School Essay Contest, "Driving Environmental Progress: What Can Students Do?" gives students nationwide in grades 9-12 the chance to share their thoughts on environmental issues and to win great prizes. In line with the Association's focus on taking an active role in the global conversation on the environment, this paper is due on Earth Day April 22, 2009.

Calling All High School Students!

Students in grades 9th – 12th attending a public, private, parochial school, or home school are eligible for this contest. Younger students may participate as 9th graders. This contest is conducted without regard to race, religion, sex, or national origin.

Scoop on the Essay

The essay should describe the role that students can play in driving environmental progress, and may be up to six pages, including the title page, an abstract, the text, and references.

Submit Your Essay Now!

Essays must be submitted to **Sandi Spratt by e-mail at <u>sspratt@awma.org</u>** on or before Wednesday, April 22, 2009

What Are the Prizes?

The author of the best paper(s) will receive \$400 and a certificate. Awards will be announced during the Student Awards Ceremony on Thursday, June 18, at A&WMA's 102nd Annual Conference and Exhibition in Detroit, MI. There is no obligation to attend the award ceremony. Certificates of participation will be mailed to all participants in July 2009. An excerpt from the winning essay will be published in A&WMA's monthly magazine, *EM*.

For more information, contact Sandi Spratt at sspratt@awma.org or 412-904-6007. Click here for contest rules.

Teachers, Educators, and Students Join us in helping our environment.

This page includes downloadable packets to make your job easy!

- Air Quality: Particulate Matter-"<u>Consider the Source</u>" An Air Quality lesson for Grades 3-5 -Students learn about natural and human-generated sources of the criteria pollutants.
- Air Quality: Particulate Matter-"<u>A Bird's Eye View</u>" An Air Quality lesson for Grades K-2 -Students construct a "flying bird" to learn about air pollution.
- Air Quality: Ozone-"Ozone-"The Good (Ozone), The Bad (Ozone), and The Ugly (Smog)" An Air Quality lesson for Grades 3-5-Students will build an earth using modeling clay to learn about ozone.

You are Invited to Attend the Air and Waste Management Association's March Dinner Meeting

At



In the Holiday Inn Highway 30, Gonzales, LA

Date: Thursday March 19th
Time: Social begins at 5:30, Dinner Served at 6:30

Speaker: Vivian Aucoin, ES Supervisor DEQ Air Quality Assessment Division

Ms. Aucoin will speak on the Ozone Designations that were recently proposed to the EPA by the State. DEQ prepared the designation request in accordance with the March 12, 2008 ozone standard and Ms. Aucoin will discuss development of the designation request and what the path forward for implementing the new standard looks like.

Reservations: Fax this form to (504) 472-9963 or call Carol Murphy at (504) 472-9993 by Monday March 16th at NOON. In order to complete your registration, we must receive your full name, company, and credit card information. Your credit card will be used only as a guarantee and will not be charged until March 19th. You may still pay by company check or personal check at the meeting, but if you do not attend, your credit card will be charged for the number of people for which you made a reservation. If you have any questions about registering, please EMAIL Carol Murphy at cmurphy@rtpenv.com. If you wish to use email to indicate your intent to attend the meeting, you are welcome to do so, however, please remember that your reservation will not be confirmed until your credit card information is received via telephone, FAX or mail. The Section cannot accept email messages containing credit card information; any such messages received will be deleted immediately for your protection!

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\$35 Members/Corporate Sponso	ors \$40 Nonmembers \$45 at the door	\$15 LDEQ/Students							



Louisiana Section

THE LOUISIANA SECTION OF THE AIR & WASTE MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION ANNOUNCES ITS 2009 SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

The Louisiana Section of the Air & Waste Management Association is searching for candidates for up to two or more \$1000 or more one-time cash scholarship awards. The award also includes a one year student membership in the Air & Waste Management Association.

<u>Eligibility:</u> Individuals must meet the following minimum requirements to be eligible for award consideration:

- 1. Must be a full time student attending a college, university, or law school located within the geographical region of the section. (Louisiana and the Sabine River Region of Eastern Texas).
- 2. Must be at least a Junior and no higher than Master's level graduate student during the year of the scholarship award.
- 3. Must have at least two semesters (or three quarters) of schooling remaining at the time of the award.
- 4. If pursuing a bachelor's or master's degree, must have a major in engineering, physical or natural science, or public health. (Note: Those pursuing a degree in computer science are not eligible.)
- 5. Must show through course work, projects, personal interest, etc., a desire to promote air pollution control and/or solid or hazardous waste management.
- 6. Must have at least an overall "B" average (3.00 or higher on a scale of 4.00) including all coursework through the last completed semester.
- 7. Must be interviewed by Louisiana Section representatives. The interview will be scheduled by the Section after the application deadline.
- 8. The successful applicant should attend the meeting in May to receive the scholarship award.

<u>Application</u>: Application materials must be received by **5:00 pm on Friday, March 27, 2009** to be considered. Only complete applications received on or before the deadline will be considered. Facsimile transmittals are not acceptable. Electronic transmittals are acceptable but cannot be guaranteed should technical difficulties arise. The following should be submitted:

Section 1: General Application Information Sheet

Complete the attached general application information sheet.

Section 2: Résumé

Enclose a one to two page resume emphasizing career interests and goals.

Section 3: Interest and Award Statement

Provide a one to two page statement of your interest in the environmental field. Describe how the award will be applied.

Section 4: Transcript

Supply a current official copy of your college or law school transcript.

Section 5: Recommendation

Supply a letter of recommendation from your major professor or department head which should be returned to you in a sealed envelope. The envelope should be signed across the seal by the person submitting the recommendation.

Section 6: Current Financial Awards

Provide a list of all financial awards, including their amounts and basis for selection (need or merit), currently being received or expected to be received. The amount of tuition for a full year of school should also be included.

<u>Selection Process:</u> Awards will be made on the basis of academic record, plan of study, career goals, recommendations, and financial status without consideration of sex, race, national origin, age, or physical disability. The Scholarship Awards Committee reviews all applications received and its decision is final. Announcement of the scholarship awards will be made in May.

Mailing Instructions:

- 1. Attached the sealed envelope with the Letter of Recommendation to your packet.
- 2. Send the completed package to:

Louisiana Section Scholarship Award c/o Karen J. Blakemore Phelps Dunbar, LLP P.O. Box 4412 Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70821-4412

OR

karen.blakemore@phelps.com

3. If you would like a written confirmation that your complete package was received on time, please include a stamped, self-addressed envelope.

Louisiana Section Air & Waste Management Association General Application Information 2009 Scholarship Award

BIOGRAPHI	CAL DATA				
Name:					
	(Last)	(First)	(N	Middle Initial)	_
	Social Secur	ity No.			
Current Address:					
	(Street)		(A	Apt. or Unit #)	
	(City)	(State)	(Zip Code)	(Phone Number)	
Permanent Address:					
	(Street)		(A	Apt. or Unit #)	
	(City)	(State)	(Zip Code)	(Phone Number)	_

EDUCATIONAL DATA

COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES ATTENDED:

		Dates A	ttended			
	Name Of Institution	From	То	Curriculum	Degree	GPA
1.						
2.						
3.						
4.						



ENVIRONMENTAL FOCUS 2008 A MULTI-MEDIA FORUM

NOVEMBER 18-19, 2008

PRESENTATIONS ARE AVAILABLE ON THE SECTION WEBSITE:

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A&WMA Membership Contest for the Best "Elevator Speech"

- 1. The Sections & Chapters Council Membership Committee will sponsor a contest to write the best "elevator speech" promoting A&WMA membership on a one time basis between March 15 and June 1, 2009. The fundamental goal is to remind individual members that they are the key to membership development.
- 2. An "elevator speech" is a short (30-45 seconds, 50-100 words) description of the benefits of A&WMA membership.
- 3. Prizes will be awarded in six categories:
 - a) Student
 - b) Young Professional
 - c) Faculty
 - d) Government
 - e) Industry
 - f) General
- 4. The prize will be a \$100 gift certificate applicable to any A&WMA program or product. Up to two prizes awarded per category.
- 5. The contest will be promoted in *EM*, membership e-mails, and website during the contest period of March 15 June 1, 2009. Entries will be screened by the Sections & Chapters Council Membership Chair, and will be judged by the Sections & Chapters Council Vice Chair, Sections & Chapters Membership Chair, Stephanie Glyptis (Director, Membership Development), Kristen Maser (Marketing Coordinator), and 2-3 volunteer member representatives.

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