

Professional Manager of the Year Award Solid Waste

Purpose The Professional Manager of the Year Award in the Solid Waste category seeks to inspire excellence and dedication in the private and public sectors by recognizing the outstanding career service achievements of solid waste management professionals. The primary focus of this award is recognition of exceptional management, operation, and maintenance of public sector solid waste operations.

Eligibility Any APWA member whose primary responsibility is the management of a public works solid waste operation is eligible. Members of the APWA Board of Directors are not eligible during the time they serve on the Board. APWA Solid Waste Management Committee members are not eligible. Specific eligibility requirements include:

Career Length Candidates with a minimum of 10 years of qualifying experience may be nominated.

Agency Candidates may be employed by either the public or private sector; however, their career service must be in the management of a public sector solid waste operation.

Scope Candidates must manage a significantly diversified solid waste operation, i.e., landfill, collection, incineration and recycling operations or a combination of those.

Selection The award winner is selected by a panel of judges appointed by the APWA President. Membership of the panel represents the public works field and other agencies with an active interest in the public works profession.

Criteria The criteria used in the selection process include:

Profession Significant contributions in the advancement of solid waste management.

Leadership Outstanding leadership and vision evidenced by employing progressive management techniques in the area of solid waste management.

Innovation Employment of new and innovative ideas and technology and advancing the effectiveness of solid waste management.

Agency Service Implementation of effective methods to optimize fiscal management of solid waste operations.

Customer Service Maintenance of a high degree of satisfaction among customers and other stakeholders.

Community Service Promotion of the field of solid waste management in the community, agency, or customers served.

Nomination Process Any governmental entity, group, or individual may nominate candidates. Nominations are particularly encouraged from APWA chapters and branches. Self-nominations are not accepted. Original submittal should include a nomination form and supporting documentation that clearly addresses the eligibility requirements and candidate's professional work. Six copies of the submittal are required. These materials should be sent to APWA National. Materials submitted for supporting documentation will not be returned.

Deadline March 3, 2008

Presentation The winner is presented with a plaque at the Awards Recognition Ceremony during the APWA International Public Works Congress and Exposition and featured in APWA's publications.

Former Recipients **2007** David A. Pelser, P.E., Director, Waste Management & Recycling, Sacramento County, CA

2006 Robert Anderson, Superintendent of Solid Waste, City of Columbia, SC

2005 Gerald A. Latta, Solid Waste Services Director, City of Raleigh, NC

2004 Nancy Nevil, Environmental Waste Services Manager, City of Plano, TX