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To: P3S Facility of the Year Nominators

From: CWEA P3S Awards Subcommittee for Northern and Southern California

Subject: **California Water Environment Association (CWEA)
Pretreatment, Pollution Prevention, and Stormwater (P3S) Committee
Nominations for the 2023 Facility of the Year (FOTY) Awards**

Dear CWEA Member and Water Quality Protection Professional:

Do you know an industrial user that should be recognized for their efforts and performance in process wastewater pretreatment technology, material recycling, waste minimization, pollution prevention practices, or stormwater runoff control? Here is your chance to provide them the recognition they deserve.

The CWEA Pretreatment, Pollution Prevention, and Stormwater (P3S) Committee is currently accepting nominations for the 2023 Facility of the Year (FOTY) Awards. The FOTY Awards are intended to recognize industrial user sites for their outstanding and innovative solutions in multimedia waste management.

Please review the criteria section listed in the enclosed nomination package to determine industrial users in your service area that you believe qualify to be nominated. The P3S Committee also encourages you to share this package with all other colleagues at your agency who may wish to submit nominations. The enclosed nomination package is generic and is not intended to be a limiting factor. Be sure to include all supplemental materials and information which will assist the FOTY Awards Subcommittees in the proper review of your nomination.

Our contact list may include professionals who are not familiar with the CWEA P3S FOTY Award, yet who know of industrial users worthy of nomination. For those professionals who are not a member of the CWEA and would like to join, please contact the CWEA office at (510) 382-7800 for membership information.

Nominations are requested to be submitted by **Friday, November 10, 2023**. Nominations may be submitted using the enclosed nomination package or online at <https://www.cwea.org/awards/>.

Please contact the FOTY Awards Subcommittee Chairperson of your state area if you have any questions about the FOTY Awards process:

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Your nominations for the P3S FOTY Awards are essential for the P3S Committee in recognizing the accomplishments and compliance of our regulated industries. **We have added a nominator prize drawing at the awards luncheon that will award 2 nominators north and south as thanks for your participation in the CWEA P3S FOTY Awards program.**

Cheers,

Stephen Sealy
CWEA P3S FOTY Awards Subcommittee Chair - South

CALIFORNIA WATER ENVIRONMENT ASSOCIATION Pretreatment, Pollution Prevention, and Stormwater (P3S) Committee Facility of the Year (FOTY) Award Guidelines

1 BACKGROUND

Since 1971, the Pretreatment, Pollution Prevention, and Stormwater (P3S) Committee of the California Water Environment Association (CWEA) has been recognizing the achievement of high performing industrial users with an annual Facility of the Year (FOTY) Awards program. The FOTY Awards are given to industrial users with significant accomplishments in the areas of industrial process wastewater pretreatment technology, material recycling, waste minimization, pollution prevention practices or stormwater runoff control programs. The FOTY Awards are presented annually at the FOTY Awards Luncheon scheduled during the P3S Annual Conference on **February 5, 2024, 12:00pm at the Delta Hotels by Marriott Anaheim in Garden Grove, 12021 Harbor Blvd, Garden Grove, CA 92840**. The names of the winners are also announced at the awards luncheon at the CWEA Annual Conference in April 2024.

2 PURPOSE

The purpose of the FOTY Awards is to create incentive on the part of industrial users to take proactive steps to meet environmental pollution control standards. The FOTY Awards provide an opportunity for CWEA members to provide positive publicity and recognition of industrial user efforts and successes with protecting the environment.

3 CRITERIA

The following criteria were approved by the CWEA Board of Directors and may be used for the selection of nominees:

- Must be permitted by a control authority (CA) or otherwise regulated for water-quality.
- Implementation of pollution prevention, waste minimization, water recycling, material recycling, or other source reduction measures.
- Implementation of innovative solutions or technical advances in waste management.
- Implementation of operation and preventative maintenance practices to improve environmental performance.
- Consistent compliance with applicable permit requirements (i.e., operating without violations and/or "citation free" for the past 12 months).
- Demonstration of active community involvement to develop public awareness for environmental protection.

Members of the Northern and Southern California Awards Subcommittees review the nominations and may select the semi-finalists. The Subcommittees may conduct a site visit of each of the semi-finalists. The semi-finalists are selected to represent a variety of types of industries located in a variety of control authorities throughout the state that best satisfy the FOTY Award's criteria.

4 CATEGORIES

A total of four FOTY Awards may be given each year. The FOTY Award categories are "Large Industry" and "Small Industry" from both Northern and Southern California. An engraved plaque will be presented to the winning industries. Runners-up in each of the categories may be presented with a Certificate of Merit (COM).

5 NOMINATION PROCESS

Nominations for the FOTY Awards may be submitted by sanitation districts, publicly owned treatment works, municipalities, consultants, trade associations, or industries. Nominations can be submitted using the attached FOTY Award Nomination Form or through the CWEA Awards website:

<https://cwea.org/awards>. Nomination forms can also be located at the P3S Committee's website:

<http://p3s.cwea.org/awards/>.

Nominations for 2023 FOTY Awards are requested to be submitted by **November 10, 2023** in order to be eligible for the selection process. The subcommittee chairs may grant extensions to this deadline.

CALIFORNIA WATER ENVIRONMENT ASSOCIATION Pretreatment, Pollution Prevention, and Stormwater (P3S) Committee's Facility of the Year (FOTY) Award Nomination Form

INSTRUCTIONS

The information requested on this form should be filled in as completely as possible. Use additional sheets where necessary. Return the form to the appropriate Awards Subcommittee Chair for either Northern or Southern California no later than **November 10, 2023**. If no extension is granted, nominations received after the due date may be held for next year's award cycle. If you have any questions, please contact either:

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1. NOMINATOR'S CONTACT INFORMATION

Person Making Nomination: _____

Agency Name: _____

Nominating Person's Address: _____

Phone #: _____ Cell #: _____ E-mail: _____

2. NOMINEE'S CONTACT INFORMATION

Nominee Name: _____

Site Address: _____

Permit # issued from CA: _____

Type of Industry: _____

Contact Person: _____

Phone #: _____ Cell #: _____ E-mail: _____

3. SITE DESCRIPTION

Description of production processes and end products produced: _____

Description of pretreatment technologies or stormwater control operations used: _____

Criteria to determine if Nominee is in the Large or Small Industry Category:

- A. Process Wastewater Flow: Over 10,000 GPD (average) for past year
 Under 10,000 GPD (average) for past year
- B. Gross Sales: Greater than \$7 million for the past year
 Less than \$7 million for the past year
- C. Number of Employees: More than 50 full-time production employees for past year
 Less than 50 full-time production employees for past year

**4. DESCRIPTION OF WASTE MANAGEMENT PROCESSES
(Please provide answers to the following questions in an attached document)**

- A. Describe the nominee's pollution prevention, waste minimization, water recycling, material recycling, preventative maintenance, or other source reduction measures.
- B. Describe the nominee's implementation of innovative solutions or technical advances in waste management.
- C. Describe the nominee's community service programs and activities to educate or inform the public (including other businesses) about environmental protection.

5. ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL MECHANISMS

List all environmental regulatory agencies with jurisdictional authority over the nominee, along with a brief compliance history for the last 12 months:

- POTW: _____
- Air Quality: _____
- Stormwater: _____
- CUPA/Hazmat: _____
- Other(s): _____
- Other(s): _____