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# Report as of 1/16/2024

## **Utility Operations Division**

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### **Committees**

- Subsection Advisory Committee
- Distribution Systems Committee
- Engineering Committee

#### General Observations

 Committees are continuing to fill vacant positions- outlook is positive for leadership and succession planning.

#### Engineering

(Chair) Taylor Stockton <u>tstockton@rh2.com</u> (Vice Chair) Greg Loscher <u>gloscher@bowencollins.com</u> (Secretary) Dan Shafar <u>dan.shafar@jacbos.com</u>

- Committee is healthy and active, holds monthly meetings—some with educational or networking opportunities.
- Have had three new active committee members join in the last three months.
- Selected and approved for a full schedule at the 2024 section conference. Moderators are in contact with speakers.
- Planning Excellence in Engr Awards; accepting 2024 awards applications any day.
- Planning a specialty valves training for March 19<sup>th</sup>.
- o Planning attendance at Portland-area 2024 Engineering Week event.

#### Distribution

(Co-Chair) Tonya Reiss <u>Treiss@spokanecity.org</u> (Co-Chair) – Aurelie Nabonnand <u>ANabonnand@carollo.com</u> (Secretary) – Vacant

The Committee is working on building membership and developing short-term and long-term goals throughout this year. We have regular meetings scheduled and will be working on filling vacant positions.

- Developed a strong 2024 Conference technical session program.
- o Are identifying section operator training needs and will be working on future trainings.
  - Spring Training is in the planning stages.



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- With the addition of James Southern-City of Tacoma we are resurrecting the safety component to the committee.
- Subsection Advisory Committee-

(Chair) Brian Wilson <u>Brian.E.Wilson@cityofvanocuver.us</u>
(Vice Chair) Loren Searl <u>Isearl@spokanecity.org</u>
(Secretary) Kali Kocdemir <u>Kali.kocdemir@gamil.com</u>
(Western Washington Coordinator) Tom Keown <u>Thomas.keown@covingtonwater.com</u>
(Subsection Chairs)

- Committee is working to fill vital positions:
  - Replacement Chair, Recruit an Incoming vice chair, two Coordinators (If this position is really needed).
- o Continue to update the committee ROP & Duties document.
  - Ongoing project
- Planning trainings for Subsection Coordination
  - We held a training for subsection treasurers to explain duties, documentation, and audits.
  - The plan is to have a training on updating bylaws and roles and responsibilities.
- Competitions
  - Gearing up to encourage competitions at the Subsection level for the 2024 conference.
  - Start planning and organizing the competition night at the Spokane conference.
  - Coordinate and organize competition coordinators to support their needs.
- Subsection coordination quarterly meeting Subsection & Committee updates
  - Continued to share information and encourage Subsections to work together on events or training opportunities.
- Integrating Subsection Chairs into the SAC committee
  - Utilize this as an opportunity to fill additional SAC roles.