



## **Water and Wastewater Works Advisory Board**

**State of Alaska  
Department of Environmental Conservation**

### **Policy Statement 2009-08 Construction Industry Experience**

#### **Background**

Department staff has been questioned about whether construction industry experience is recognized as qualifying experience toward water distribution or wastewater collection certification.

#### **Introduction**

In the past, construction industry experience gained building water and sewer systems has not been recognized toward certification.

#### **Discussion**

The Board discussed experience gained in the construction industry and recognized experience in building water distribution and wastewater collection systems may apply to actual operations.

#### **Policy**

Construction experience may count toward certification as follows:

1. A maximum of one year of construction experience on water distribution systems that involve the direct installation of main line piping and major appurtenances will count toward water distribution level 1 certification.
2. A maximum of one year of construction experience on wastewater collection systems that involve the direct installation of main line piping and major appurtenances will count toward wastewater collection level 1 certification.
3. Construction experience will not be counted toward 18 AAC 74.050(b)(2) for level 2 or higher certification
4. Construction experience will not be substituted under 18 AAC 74.050(c).

Adopted this twenty-fifth day of June, 2009

/James C. Berg/ James C. Berg

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Chair, Water and Wastewater Works Advisory Board

*Construction experience was disallowed under Policy Statement 02-T-02. The Board reconsidered construction experience toward water distribution or wastewater collection level 1 certification. This policy allows for the consideration of construction experience with provisions. (Effective 9/17/02 02-T-02; amended 5/8/09 2009-08)*