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Subject: Upcoming Placer Co. WAC meeting

Hi Mohan.

I won't be able to attend the WAC meeting on Tuesday, so I wanted to give my two cents worth regarding the elimination of the experimental program in Placer County.

I believe in the experimental program because it requires direct participation from the manufacturer all the way to the service provider. Every system being brought to market has passed the NSF standard 40 criteria (at least most of them). It's not the product, but the support that comes after installation that is critical. The existing experimental program required each manufacturer to water sample their systems for two years, this requires commitment and direct involvement. While I believe water sampling only provides a snap shot of the effluent that day, it does demonstrate the manufacturer's local support team's ability to handle even the simplest task. If a problem is identified by water sampling, it can quickly be corrected. With limited County staffing available, can the water sampling tracking be completed by one of the WAC board members?

I believe we want to avoid problems like those being experience by some Counties, where the local manufacturer/service provider left the area as well as his customers. Without anyone willing to pick up the product line, the County was left to deal with his 25+ sites and their associated problems.

What will happen with the UV lights? I did not see any final disinfection requirements outlined in the new proposal. Will those companies completing the experimental program be able to have the UV light requirements removed?

Sorry to miss this meeting, I think my father maybe attending.

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