



**2017 Education Seminar**  
***Collaborative Biosolids: Fuel for Thought***  
**Exhibitor Invitation and Information**

The **Virginia Water Environment Association Education Committee** invites you to exhibit at the 2017 VWEA Education Seminar: *Collaborative Biosolids: Fuel for Thought*, to be held at the Hilton Richmond Hotel & Spa/Short Pump on May 10 and 11. The education seminar will begin with a Networking Reception on **Wednesday, May 10, 2017** and will finish at **5:00 PM Thursday, May 11, 2017**. The Exhibit Hall will be open from **5:00 PM on Wednesday** until **3:00 PM on Thursday**.

This year’s seminar will focus on the evolving biosolids industry, including current trends and how to prepare for challenges facing biosolids today, by preparing for the challenges that are driving innovation and redefining how we utilize biosolids, optimize processes, and recover resources. Session topics will include: biosolids master planning, advanced processes and alternative end uses, resource and nutrient recovery, and biosolids process optimization. See the attached Registration Brochure for the complete detailed Technical Program. It is also available at [www.vwea.org](http://www.vwea.org).

Representatives of regional utilities, wastewater operations and maintenance personnel, utility directors, researchers, engineers, students, compliance regulators and environmental consultants will all benefit from this program which provides many networking opportunities and a compelling venue for exhibitors to showcase your innovative products and services. All past EdCom Seminars have been a success and attract nearly 200 attendees each year. Below is the schedule for the seminar, which provides **five** Exhibit Hall contact hours with attendees:

<b>Wednesday, May 10, 2017</b>		
5:00 PM – 7:00 PM	Complimentary Reception	Exhibit Hall
<b>Thursday, May 11, 2017</b>		
8:00 AM – 8:25 AM	Breakfast	Exhibit Hall
8:30 AM – 10:00 AM	Keynote Session and Regulatory Update	Ballroom
<b>10:00 AM – 10:30 AM</b>	<b>Morning Break</b>	Exhibit Hall
10:30 AM – 12:00 AM	Morning General Session	Ballroom
<b>12:00 PM – 1:30 PM</b>	<b>Lunch</b>	Exhibit Hall
1:30 PM – 3:15 PM	Afternoon Technical Sessions	Ballrooms
<b>3:15 PM – 3:45 PM</b>	<b>Afternoon Break</b>	Exhibit Hall
3:45 PM – 5:00 PM	Afternoon Technical Sessions	Ballrooms

**We invite and encourage you to exhibit your products and services at the 2017 VWEA Education Seminar. Details are provided below.**

**Location:** Hilton Richmond Hotel & Spa/Short Pump, 12042 West Broad Street, Richmond, Virginia 23233

**Dates:** May 10-11, 2017

**Booth Registration Deadline:** April 19, 2017

**Booth Rental Fee:** \$375.00

Includes two full registrations, including breakfast, lunch, and breaks

**Exhibit Area:** The exhibits will be located in the Ballroom at the Hilton Richmond Hotel & Spa/Short Pump. The Wednesday reception, continental breakfast, breaks and lunch will be held in the Exhibit Hall. Booth location preference will be assigned on a first come, first served basis and upon receipt of registrations.

**Exhibit Hours:** Exhibitors can begin set-up of their booths at 3:00 PM on Wednesday, May 10. All exhibits must be set-up not later than 5:00 PM on Wednesday. Exhibits booths can be removed immediately after the afternoon break on Thursday, May 11.

**Display Area:** Booth areas are 8' (wide) x 6' (deep) and include a 6 x 3 draped table, and 2 chairs. Any attendants above the allotment of two will require registration. A 120V electrical power is available upon request. Any special requirements for power, air, telephone, or water service should be coordinated directly with the Hilton.

**Liability:** VWEA and the Hilton Richmond Hotel & Spa/Short Pump will not have any responsibility or liability for the exhibitors property, owned or rented, personal property, or that of his/her employees or agents from personal injury, fire, theft or any other cause.

**Registration:** Online registration can be made at using the website link below or by scanning the icon below with a cell phone. Please contact Kathy Rabalais, [admin@vwea.org](mailto:admin@vwea.org), with registration questions.

<https://vwea.site-ym.com/events/EventDetails.aspx?id=877487>

**Cancellations:** In the event a paid exhibitor cannot attend, a refund request must be submitted in writing prior to or on Wednesday, April 19, 2017 at 5 PM, and will incur a \$50.00 processing charge. Refunds cannot be made after April 19, 2017.

**Room Reservation:** A room block rate of \$139.00/night has been arranged with the Hilton. Contact the hotel directly by April 19, 2017 to receive room block pricing, at 800.364.3600, and reference the Virginia Water Environment Association (Code "VWEA17"). A direct link to the room block is available at [www.vwea.org](http://www.vwea.org).