**HALL OF FAME CRITERIA**
(Revised April, 2012)

### A. Candidates Qualifications:

#### ANNUAL Candidates/Inductees Qualifications

1. **NYWEA Member in good standing for a **minimum** of 20 years.**

2. **Dedicated Service to NYWEA:**
   - **Total: 15 years.**
   - **State Level Service: Minimum of 10 years**
   
   Services that qualify include:
   - **State Level:**
     - a. President of NYWEA
     - b. Member, NYWEA Board of Directors, Chapter Representative
     - c. Served on State Level Committees, Program, Awards, Task Force, Challenge Team, etc.
     - d. Any position at the WEF Level
   - **Chapter Level:** (not considered for State Level Service but considered for 15 years total)
     - e. Chapter Chair
     - f. Chapter Board of Directors, Secretary, Treasurer, Committee Chair, etc.
   - **Other Services:** (considered for the 15 years total service)
     - g. Continuously supports NYWEA programs and activities: Regular attendance in Annual & Spring Conferences, and Local Chapter functions.
     - h. Promotes NYWEA programs-Scholarship, Membership Recruitment, etc.
     - i. Provides assistance towards success of programs/activities (solicits contributing sponsors and advertisers, etc.)
     - j. Services to WEF Activities
     - k. Serves as Mentor and/or Liaison for College Chapters and Student therein

3. **Be recognized as a leading professional in his/her respective area of expertise.** To be recognized, a candidate must have received awards and commendations in at least two of the following three categories. Examples of recognition awards are:
   - a. Awards (two or more) from NYWEA, CHAPTER and WEF
   - b. Member, Select Society of Sanitary Sludge Shovelers, etc.
   - c. At least one environment quality related award from professional or government organization.

4. **Provided services to the public to promote environmental awareness to water and air quality, and water pollution control.**
   For example:
   - a. Gave presentations on water environment at NYWEA regular and specialty conferences, etc.
   - b. Supports public education/participation and activities related to NYWEA goals and objectives.
   - c. Lobby EPA, NYSDEC, NYCDEP and other Agencies to promote active participation at NYWEA functions.
5. Have high professional/technical qualifications and experience in the field of water pollution control, water quality and/or air quality. Consider candidate’s accomplishments in research, studies, design, project management, construction management and operation of environmental facilities, including the following:
   a. Registration as Professional Engineer in New York.
   b. BS Civil/Environmental Engineering or Architecture.
   c. At least 30 years professional experience in water and wastewater engineering or an O&M related position.
   d. Teaches civil/environmental engineering: Emeritus and Full Time professors for at least 20 years. Adjunct Instructors
   e. Publication/authorship of at least 3 environmental/technical papers.
   f. Participation/involvement in research for further improvement of water quality and similar endeavors for at least 10 years.
   g. Holds responsible/decision-making positions at environmental companies and/or agencies as Presidents, Vice Presidents, Directors of Engineering, Commissioners and Deputy/Asst. Commissioners or similar for at least 10 years.
   h. In charge of at least 3 major water and wastewater plan design as Project Manager/Project Director, Principal in Charge.
   i. Served successful Construction Manager or Resident Engineer of 3 major water and wastewater construction projects.
   j. Water and Wastewater Treatment Plant Superintendent/Chief for at least 25 years.
   k. Certified as a New York State Licensed wastewater operator.
   l. Certified as a voluntary collection system operator.
   m. Other qualification in lieu of above.

6. Represents high qualities in character and integrity. Otherwise, do not consider at all.

**LEGACY Candidates/inductees Qualification: Category A and Category B**

1. Induction shall only be made during five-year intervals, i.e. 2010, 2015, 2020, etc.

2. Categories of Legacy Inductees:
   
   **Category A:**
   Candidates for Legacy Induction may be those that did not make in the Annual Election, but whom a new Hall of Fame Committee, strongly agree that these individuals should be voted in/inducted to the Hall of Fame because of their great contribution to the NYWEA. These Legacy inductees shall meet the same qualification as the Annual Inductees, except the following:
   1) Number of Years NYWEA Member in good standing: Minimum of 30 years
   2) Significant Dedicated Service to NYWEA/WEF: **At least 25 total years**
      State level Service: Minimum of 20 years
   3) Other Requirements: **Similar to Annual Candidates**

   **Category B:**
   Government officials and other highly visible individuals, who may not have the time to serve in the NYWEA, but supports the activities of the organization by encouraging membership and attendance of their colleagues in NYWEA functions. These may include Governors, Commissioners, Deputy Commissioners, etc. of public entities dealing with conservation of the environment. Include Presidents/Founders of Prominent/Large Engineering Companies who served WEF and NYWEA. These inductees add considerable prestige to the NYWEA and Hall of Fame.
B. **Election Criteria for HOF Candidates:**

1. Nominations of Hall of Fame candidates to the Hall of Fame Review and Nominating Committee (HOF Committee) may be submitted by any NYWEA member in good standing. Self-nomination is acceptable. A nomination Form, provided by the HOF Committee shall accompany each nomination.

2. Nominations must be submitted in sufficient detail addressing the required Candidate Qualifications above. Include other information that will enhance the candidates’ possible election. Work resume shall also be included.

3. Nominations must be submitted no later than June 30 of the year prior to the induction. This will provide the HOF Committee sufficient time to properly evaluate the merits of the nominations.

4. Nominees not voted in their initial year of candidacy will be again considered the following years. After five years the name of the candidate will be removed from consideration.

5. Election to the Hall of Fame shall be made only by the Board of Directors of the NYWEA. The Board will review a list of nominees, recommended for approval by the HOF Committee, and ensure that the Nomination and Evaluation of Inductees is fair and made in accordance with ideals of the Hall of Fame.

6. The HOF Committee shall be comprised of seven (7) to ten (10) NYWEA members, preferably at least four of which are already Hall of Fame members. Preferably, each Chapter shall have a representative in the Committee. The NYWEA President will assign one of the members to serve as Chair, another as Vice Chair. The members of the Hall of Fame Review and Nominating Committee shall serve for three (3) years or more if requested by the current NYWEA President or HOF Committee Chair. The NYWEA President or the Committee Chair may recruit committee members to fill vacancies, if any.

7. The Hall of Fame Review Committee shall recommend to the Board a **maximum of two (2) inductees per year for induction to the Hall of Fame.** If more than two candidates meet the Qualifications Criteria-the HOF Committee shall vote who would be inducted. Likewise, if no one of the nominated candidates meets the Qualifications Criteria, then there shall be no Inductee that year.

8. While not mandatory, endorsement by a nominee’s home Chapter is highly recommended.

9. **Legacy Members:**
The Hall of Fame Review and Nominating Committee may recommend a **maximum of three (3) individuals for induction as Legacy Members every five (5) years, starting 2010.** If no candidate meets the Qualification Criteria, then there should be no Inductees. If more than three candidates are qualified, the HOF Committee shall vote for only three (3) Inductees, which will require a unanimous vote.

A detailed justification for recommending the induction of a Legacy Member shall be prepared by the HOF Committee. The approval of the NYWEA Board of Directors is also necessary to be inducted as Legacy Member.
C. **Induction Ceremony:**

1. Induction of the selected honorees into the NYWEA Hall of Fame shall be at the NYWEA Annual Meeting.

2. Induction ceremonies shall be presided over by the current NYWEA President supported by the Hall of Fame Inductees present at the ceremony.

3. Hall of Fame inductees shall be prominently recognized at all Annual and Spring Meetings and in Association publications.
HALL OF FAME-APPLICATION

This application is for Annual Nomination only. (Submit one application form for each nominee).

Name of Nominee: ____________________________________________________________

Current Employee: __________________________________________________________

Address: ___________________________________________________________________

City, State, Zip: __________________________________________________________________

Phone: ___________________________ Fax: ___________________________

Email: ___________________________________________________________________

Year Joined NYWEA: ___________________________

Chapter: ___________________________

Items to be submitted with the application:
   1. Basis for Nomination (Address in detail, and item by item, how the above nominee meets the Qualifications Criteria for the Hall of Fame)
   2. Full resume of Work Experience.
   3. Other materials to support the nomination and enhance the possible selection for induction to the Hall of Fame.

Please submit the Application and other materials, no later than June 30.

Nominated By: ___________________________

Chapter: ___________________________

Date Sent: ___________________________

For HOF Review Committee
Received by: Hall of Fame Review Committee:

Date: