

The Northeast Section of the Ohio Water Environment Association  
invites you to attend our 27th Annual

# Industrial Wastes Seminar



**Thursday, February 19, 2026** ♦ **Quality Inn & Suites** ♦ **4742 Brecksville Road, Richfield**

This seminar is **the go-to event** for industry personnel involved with wastewater, municipal pretreatment coordinators and supervisors, consultants, equipment suppliers, and others interested in today's leading topics in wastewater.

<b>Registration:</b> 7:15 - 8:00a	Quality Inn & Suites 4742 Brecksville Road, Richfield, OH 44286	
<b>Introduction:</b> 8:00 - 8:15a	Introduction, Announcements and Refreshments	
<b>Tech. Sessions:</b> 8:15 - 9:00a	<i>Ohio EPA Division of Surface Water Program Updates</i> Ashley Ward, Ohio EPA	
9:00 - 9:45a	<i>Exhibitor Presentations</i> 1. Pretreatment Topics from a Consultant's Perspective, Fred Neugebauer, NEO Environmental Services 2. ERC's Emergency Response and Industrial Service Capabilities, Nate Ulrey, Environmental Remediation Contractor 3. Yaskawa Variable Frequency Drives, Patrick Smith, DRV Incorporated	
9:45 - 10:45a	<b>Refreshments and Exhibits</b>	
10:45 - 11:30a	<i>Analyzing Your Analytical Data</i> Donna Kniss, Rubber City Engineering and Environmental, LLC	
11:30a - 12:15p	<i>Technically Based Surcharge Studies</i> Kathryn Crestani, Jacobs	
12:15 - 1:45p	<b>Lunch and Exhibits</b>	
1:45 - 2:30p	<i>Mercury Panel Topics</i> 1. Data-Driven Negotiations: Securing Feasible Mercury Permit Limits Through an Expanded Data Set, Sarah Andersson, Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District 2. North Royalton's Mercury Challenges without an Industrial Pretreatment Program, Ed Haller, City of North Royalton 3. Hg Source Identification—The Barracuda III Fish Cleaning Station, Alyssa Armstrong, Geosyntec	
2:30 - 3:15p	<i>Water Reuse to Meet Water Demand</i> Matous Becker, Burgess & Niple	
3:15 - 3:30p	<b>Break &amp; Refreshments</b>	
3:30 - 4:15p	<i>Law &amp; Order: A Pretreatment Enforcement Case Study</i> Scott Broski, Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District	
<b>Closing:</b> 4:15 - 4:30p	Announcements, Prizes and Remarks	

**Register by Wednesday** February 11, 2026 at [www.ohiowea.org](http://www.ohiowea.org) for this seminar.

Registration is limited to the **first 225 attendees** and will close once the capacity is reached. On-line registration is recommended as walk-ins will not be accepted if/when capacity is reached.

**Training Fee is \$70 for WEF/OWEA members or \$85 for non-members.** Credit Cards accepted online. Payable day of event by **CHECK ONLY** to NESOWEA. No cash or purchase orders will be accepted.

**Cancellations must be received 3 days prior to event to avoid being charged. If attendee registers with a credit card and cancels at any time, a small administration fee will be applied.**

This program has been submitted for **5.25 hours of continuing education credit** for certified operators and registered sanitarians in Ohio. To receive credit, attendees must be present for the entire session and operators complete a contact hour form with Ohio EPA Core ID Number.

#### **Calling Interested Exhibitors!**

Space is limited, \$200/booth, includes one booth attendant. Additional booth attendants \$45. Contact Kevin Thomas, 330-317-0016 or [thomask@chemgroup.com](mailto:thomask@chemgroup.com)

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