

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.

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| <b>Registration:</b><br>7:15 - 8:00a   | Quality Inn & Suites<br>4742 Brecksville Road, Richfield, OH 44286  |
| <b>Introduction:</b><br>8:00 - 8:15a   | Introduction, Announcements and Refreshments  |
| <b>Tech. Sessions:</b><br>8:15 - 9:00a | <i>Ohio EPA Division of Surface Water Program Updates</i><br>Ashley Ward, Ohio EPA  |
| 9:00 - 9:45a                           | <i>Exhibitor Presentations</i><br><ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Pretreatment Topics from a Consultant's Perspective, Fred Neugebauer, NEO Environmental Services</li><li>2. ERC's Emergency Response and Industrial Service Capabilities, Nate Ulrey, Environmental Remediation Contractor</li><li>3. Yaskawa Variable Frequency Drives, Patrick Smith, DRV Incorporated</li></ol>   |
| 9:45 - 10:45a                          | <b>Refreshments and Exhibits</b>  |
| 10:45 - 11:30a                         | <i>Analyzing Your Analytical Data</i><br>Donna Kniss, Rubber City Engineering and Environmental, LLC  |
| 11:30a - 12:15p                        | <i>Technically Based Surcharge Studies</i><br>Kathryn Crestani, Jacobs  |
| 12:15 - 1:45p                          | <b>Lunch and Exhibits</b>   |
| 1:45 - 2:30p                           | <i>Mercury Panel Topics</i><br><ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Data-Driven Negotiations: Securing Feasible Mercury Permit Limits Through an Expanded Data Set, Sarah Andersson, Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District</li><li>2. North Royalton's Mercury Challenges without an Industrial Pretreatment Program, Ed Haller, City of North Royalton</li><li>3. Hg Source Identification—The Barracuda III Fish Cleaning Station, Alyssa Armstrong, Geosyntec</li></ol> |
| 2:30 - 3:15p                           | <i>Water Reuse to Meet Water Demand</i><br>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><br>Scott Broski, Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District   |
| <b>Closing:</b><br>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)

#### **Questions regarding this event can be directed to:**

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