

## WEF Biosolids Program Update February 2013

**National Biosolids Partnership (NBP)** Federal funding for the NBP ended in 2012 and, as part of a transition plan, staff management of the NBP has moved to the WEF Water Science and Engineering Center (WSEC) where all of WEF's technical programs are staffed. The interim staff contact for the NBP and WEF's biosolids program is Dr. Barry Liner ([bliner@wef.org](mailto:bliner@wef.org) tel. 703-684-2435); a new WEF staff biosolids contact will be announced very shortly.

WEF will continue to administer the NBP recognition/ certification program. A new approach to training for organizations interested in developing the NBP's EMS based management program will be rolled by late spring 2013. It will include online training, in-person training, and peer mentoring.

A number of new information and training aids will be released over the next few months. These include fact sheets for biosolids professionals and regulators; an educational power point for regulators; and a new report *Enabling the Future of Biosolids Management*.

Program and product updates will be distributed through the monthly e-newsletter. To subscribe to this free newsletter, e-mail Theresa Mixon ([tmixon@wef.org](mailto:tmixon@wef.org)).

**Residuals and Biosolids 2013, Emerging Opportunities for Sustainable Resource Recovery**, the 27<sup>th</sup> WEF Residuals and Biosolids Specialty Conference will be held May 5-8, 2013 in Nashville, Tennessee. The event will be co-located with Energy & Water 2013, Integrated Solutions for Advancing Technology and Management.

**Major New Publication** *Solids Process Design and Management* 2012 This publication's 26 chapters and almost 1100 pages include contemporary new material on planning, public outreach and involvement, solids production and characterization, design approach, conveyance, conditioning, thickening, waste minimization, anaerobic and aerobic digestion, dewatering, composting, alkaline treatment, disinfection and stabilization, thermal drying, thermal oxidation, pyrolysis and gasification, transport and storage, odor management, sidestreams, instrumentation and monitoring, land application and product distribution, landfill management, emerging technologies, and treatment and utilization of green gases