

IT'S TIME AGAIN TO NOMINATE THAT SPECIAL PERSON FOR A TAUD AWARD

Each year, TAUD honors a few special people who work above and beyond with Tennessee's utilities. This year the Awards Committee would like your help in making sure that each deserving person is considered for an award. If you know of a utility employee who has excelled in their field or a special associate member (vendor, service provider, etc.) who has gone out of their way to assist utilities, then this is your opportunity to nominate them for a TAUD award! Simply fill out the Nomination Form and submit materials to TAUD *before April 2, 2010*. Please feel free to use extra pages to let us know why that special person should receive an award.

The following awards will be given during the 2010 year at conferences/events where the recipient will receive greatest recognition among their industry peers:

1. **M.M. Bullard Award**— *gives special recognition to a gas utility manager.*
2. **H.B. Rosson Award**— *gives special recognition to a water utility manager.*
3. **Everett Severs Award**—*awarded for excellence in water treatment.*
4. **Wastewater Operator of the Year** —*awarded for excellence in wastewater treatment.*
5. **Office Manager of the Year**—*awarded for excellence in office operations.*
6. **Associate Member of the Year**—*gives special recognition to an associate member whom has gone above and beyond in assisting Tennessee's utilities.*

Award Criteria: Please consider the following when selecting a TAUD member to nominate for an award:

- Must be a current member of TAUD in good standing
- Must be an active member of the Association. It is important they are respected among their industry peers, attend TAUD functions, meetings and training when applicable.
- Should make considerable differences in their utility (i.e. policies, advancements, have longevity in the position of which they serve etc.).
- When nominating for the Bullard or Rosson Award, the nominee should be in sound financial and operational compliance. Nominee should be dedicated to serving the public interest of the citizens in Tennessee.
- When selecting a nominee for the Everett Severs or Wastewater Operator of the Year Awards, those nominating this individual should consider:
 - The licenses and certifications of the nominee
 - The length of time spent in the industry
 - Dedication to improve operations within the system
 - Is the nominee recognized and respected by his or her co-workers and industry peers?
 - Is the nominee a person of integrity, character, and takes pride in his/her position?

Lastly, those completing applications should remember those selected are chosen by an Awards Committee. The committee receives numerous applications for each award. It is important that those nominating clearly articulate to this Committee their desire to see the nominee receive the award. The Committee is diligent in their efforts in selecting the most deserving candidate for each award. If you feel strongly that the individual you are nominating deserves the award, please take the time to explain and provide examples of the nominee's merit.



TAUD Award Nomination Application

Name of Nominee: _____

Years in the utility business: _____ Years with present employer: _____

Name of Employer: _____

Name of person completing application: _____

Phone number: _____

Check the appropriate award below:

OPERATOR'S AWARDS

- Everett Severs Award (water operations)
- Wastewater Operator Award

On a separate sheet, describe why you feel the nominee deserves this award and any special qualities which would make the operator eligible for this award.

OFFICE MANAGER AWARD

- Office Manager Award

On a separate sheet, describe the office manager's responsibilities when the utility manager is out, leadership qualities, communication skills and special qualities which would make them eligible for this award.

MANAGER'S AWARDS

- M.M. Bullard Award (Gas Manager)
- H.B. Rosson Award (Water Manager)

Nominee must have been employed at a TAUD member utility for a minimum of five years. On a separate sheet, describe how the nominee has been active in TAUD activities and in his/her community.

ASSOCIATE MEMBER AWARD

- Associate Member Award

The nominee has participated in:

- Operator Expo
- Business of Running a Utility Conference Exhibit Hall
- TAUD training classes

On a separate sheet, provide examples of the nominee's willingness to help TAUD's utility members and any special contributions made to the utility industry.

***Remember to submit nominations to
TAUD by April 02, 2010.***

