



EBC Site Remediation and Redevelopment Program The 2018 MCP Amendments

Tuesday, December 4, 2018

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AGENDA

- 8:00 a.m. **Welcome**
- Jonathan Kitchen, Chair
EBC Site Remediation and Redevelopment Committee
Principal, Civil & Environmental Consultants, Inc.
- Program Introduction – Purpose and What You Will Learn**
- Michelle N. O'Brien, Program Chair and Moderator
Partner, Pierce Atwood LLP
- 8:15 a.m. **The Proposed MCP Amendments**
- Paul Locke, Assistant Commissioner
Bureau of Waste Site Cleanup, MassDEP
- 9:30 a.m. **Moderated Discussion**
- Moderator: Michelle O'Brien, Pierce Atwood, LLP
- 10:00 a.m. **Adjourn**

PROGRAM CHAIR

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Michelle O'Brien handles environmental and land use permitting and related litigation for various types of developments including residential homes, commercial and industrial buildings, waterfront properties, and wind turbines. She defends companies in environmental enforcement matters at the federal, state, and local levels. She also represents private parties in cost recovery and property damage claims involving releases of oil and hazardous materials, and assists clients with real estate transactions involving contaminated properties.

Before joining Pierce Atwood in January 2015, Michelle practiced 15 years at a boutique environmental law firm. Prior to that she was a Massachusetts Assistant Attorney General in both the Environmental

Protection and Trial Divisions. She was a law clerk to the Justices of the Massachusetts Superior Court and a legislative aide to the Chair of the Massachusetts Legislature's Committee on Natural Resources and Agriculture.

Michelle is recognized for her expertise in environmental law and environmental litigation in *Chambers USA*, *The Best Lawyers of America*, and the *Bar Register of Preeminent Women Lawyers*, among other publications. In 2015 she was named one of *Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly's* Top Women of Law. Michelle is an appointed member of MassDEP's Waste Site Cleanup Advisory Committee. She is on the EBC Board of Directors and a member of the leadership team for its Site Remediation and Redevelopment Committee. She is an active member of several professional organizations and in 2007 received the Member Award from the LSP Association. Michelle is a trustee of Lesley University and chair of its Campus Planning and Property Management Committee.

SPEAKER

Paul Locke, Assistant Commissioner
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Paul Locke directs the MassDEP site cleanup programs, including emergency response activities, marine oil spills, natural resource damage assessment and restoration, and the Brownfields Program. Paul started working as a risk assessor with the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection's Office of Research and Standards in 1987, where he participated in environmental policy development, review of site-specific reports, and provided technical assistance to DEP staff and the regulated community. In 1993 he helped develop the state's semi-privatized cleanup program – including the rules that determine “*how clean is clean enough?*” – that facilitate the redevelopment of Brownfields sites.

Since 2004, Paul has worked in the Waste Site Cleanup Program as Director of Policy Development, Director of Response & Remediation, and as Assistant Commissioner. Recent initiatives include the development of a comprehensive soil management strategy, updating and streamlining the cleanup regulations, and the implementation of DEP's vapor intrusion initiatives.

A former chemist (Harvard College) and fairly civil engineer (Tufts University), Paul has also taught (West Africa), developed photos (Cambridge), cross-matched blood (Boston), and scooped ice cream (Brighams).

UPCOMING EBC PROGRAMS

December 6 – 20th Annual Winter Garden Party
December 10 – Energy Resources Committee Program Planning Meeting
December 11 – Annual New Hampshire Chapter Holiday Party
December 12 – Annual Rhode Island Chapter Holiday Party
January 8 – Program Series with MassDEP Leadership: Headquarters
January 9 – Energy Resources Briefing from DOER Commissioner Judson and Division Directors
January 14 – Site Remediation and Redevelopment Committee Program Planning Meeting
January 14 – Climate Change and Air Committee Program Planning Luncheon
January 16 – Evening Program Massachusetts Environmental and Energy Agenda for 2019
January 18 – New Hampshire Update on Management of Mildly Contaminated Soils