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To whom it may concern,

My name is Maria Yamashita and I am the Board of Certification admin and a Board member for the Department of Health Wastewater Branch. I believe I will be a great asset to continue serving as the member as I have lots of knowledge and have been assisting the wastewater operators and the board members for 6 years now.

I will perceive the role and responsibilities by attending the board meeting and as a member I will discuss and make decisions together as a board.

I believe that I am qualified as I have already served as a member but most importantly, every day I screen applications for preliminary recommendation for approval or denial, or completeness for temporary, reciprocity and examination certification prior to be reviewed by the Board of Certification. I also help the wastewater operators get their license and compile all testing materials, supplies and documents for mailing to each county proctor to conduct the examination. I respond to verbal and written inquiries from the public, wastewater treatment plant operators, owners of treatment plants, instructors for training center. I book venue for meeting locations for all islands and do their travels for the meetings.

I hope to accomplish more experience and knowledge working with the board members.

My three qualities would be reliable, time management and dedication. Being reliable for both the Wastewater operators and the board members are very important as the operators need to get their license, take an exam to get a new grade, making sure board members travel and venue location is set to keep everything going. Time management is very important as there are many deadlines and things that needs to be done before the meeting. Lastly, I put in all my dedication to assist the operators and to my board members. I believe these three qualities are very beneficial to support the board members.

I have been serving the board for 6 years now and I have completed everything in a timely manner. I believe this would benefit the members.

I do not foresee any conflict of interest. However, if there was, I would simply discuss it with the members.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Maria Yamashita