AIR QUALITY AGENCY, WNC REGIONAL

- 6 year term

- No special requirements for this position

Seat(s):

Dean Kahl
Term to expire 07-01-20
Has served 2 terms - **Not** eligible for reappointment

CURRENT MEMBERS	TERM EXPIRES	APPOINTED	TERMS	RESIDENT	RACE	HOMEOWNER/ RENTER	SEX	AREA	OCCUPATION
CITY APPOINTMEES									
Dean Kahl dkahl@warren-wilson.edu	07-01-20	06-24-03	2	City	W		M	East	Warren Wilson Dept. of Chemistry
Joel Storrow joel.storrow@mcgillengineers.com	07-01-22	06-28-16	1	City	W		M	Central	McGill Assoc Pres
COUNTY APPOINTEES									
Karl Koon karl@ashevilleoil.com	07-01-20	06-17-18	2		W		M		
Britt Lovin (Chairman) nblovin@andyoxy.com	07-10-24	07-10-18	2		W		M		
Vonna Cloninger bimco@bellsouth.net	07-01-22	05-03-16	2		W		F		
			Atty:	Jim Siemens 202 E. Chestnut Street Asheville, NC 28801 252-5080 (o)				David Brigman, Dir 49 Mt. Carmel Road 28806 250-6777 Sec. Juanita Shanley	

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APPLICANT NAME, ADDRESS, PHONE #	DATE SUBMITTED APPLICATION	RESIDENT	RACE	SEX	AREA	OCCUPATION	OTHER BOARDS
Gary Andrew Whisnant gwhisnant@bellsouth.net	07-28-20	West	W	M	West	Retired	

City of Asheville

BOARDS & COMMISSIONS

Application Form

Applicants are strongly urged to attend several meetings of a board prior to applying

Name of board or commission: Western NC Regional Air Quality Agency

Your name: Garry Andrew Whisnant Home Phone #: 910-334-0057

Street address: 15 Chester Place City: Asheville Zip Code: 28806

Mailing address (if different): GWHISNANT@BELLSOUTH.NET

Employer: Retired

Your position: GWHISNANT@BELLSOUTH.NET Office Phone #: 910-334-0057

Resident of City Yes County GWHISNANT Race White * Sex M ✔ F ___ * Age 62 *

Are you a Homeowner or a Renter? * Homeowner

Residence location (check one): Central ____ North ____ South ____ East ____ West ✔

Are you aware of any potential conflicts of interest that may arise during your service on this board (i.e., property interest, business interest, etc.)? If so, please explain: _____. Potential conflicts of interest do not preclude appointments.

Please indicate the area(s) of expertise that you can bring to the above board(s), and then in detail list education, experience, reasons for your interest, and other factors that support your interest in serving **Applicants are encouraged to provide a cover letter and/or a brief resume. Please use additional sheets if necessary.**

Background in environmental permitting and compliance. Employed by CP&L/Progress Energy/Duke Energy for 38 years as a plant engineer, environmental engineer, superintendent and plant manager in coal, natural gas, and hydroelectric plants. Served on the industry advisory board for this agency several years in the 1990's.

Return to:

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E-Mail: sterwilliger@ashevillenc.gov
Telephone: 259-5839
Fax #: 259-5499

Signature: Garry Andrew Whisnant

Date: July 28, 2020

E-Mail: GWHISNANT@BELLSOUTH.NET

Fax #: 910-334-0057

* This information is requested for the sole purpose of assuring that a cross section of the community is appointed.

GARRY WHISNANT

15 Chester Place
Asheville NC 28806
910-334-0057
gwhisnant@bellsouth.net

EXPERIENCE

AUGUST 2007 – JANUARY 2020 (RETIRED)

PLANT MANAGER, DUKE ENERGY- ASHEVILLE GENERATING STATION

Responsible for event free (safety and environmental) operation of a 600 MW coal and gas fired generating station. Transition to closure of the coal operation and startup of a $1B gas combined cycle plant

- Managed staff transition from 90 people to 31 people at the new plant
- Annual O&M budget $13M. Annual Capital budget $30M-$50M
- Environmental permits signatory authority
- Active with Community Relations (Chamber of Commerce, etc.)
- Led employee volunteer program

FEBRUARY 2006 – AUGUST 2007

PLANT MANAGER, PROGRESS ENERGY- CAPE FEAR PLANT

Responsible for event free (safety and environmental) operation of a 400 MW coal fired generating station

- Managed staff of 65 employees
- Annual O&M budget $6M. Annual Capital Budget $13M

NOVEMBER 2001 – FEBRUARY 2006

HYDRO OPERATIONS MANAGER, PROGRESS ENERGY

Responsible for event free (safety and environmental) operation of a four hydroelectric plants on the French Broad and Pee Dee River Basins including:

- NCDENR Environmental Compliance
- FERC License Compliance
- FERC Relicensing of the Pee Dee Stations
- FERC Dam Safety Compliance

APRIL 1990 – NOVEMBER 2001

ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEER, PROGRESS ENERGY- ASHEVILLE PLANT

Responsible for environmental compliance of 1000 acre coal fired power plant facility including:

- Water Permitting and Compliance
- Air Permitting and Compliance
- All other Environmental Programs including Migratory Birds, etc.

APRIL 1986 – APRIL 1990
CHEMISTRY SUPPORT SPECIALIST, PROGRESS ENERGY- RALEIGH
Responsible for environmental and process chemistry for the fossil fleet

JANUARY 1982 – APRIL 1990
CHEMISTRY TECHNICIAN, PROGRESS ENERGY- MAYO PLANT
Responsible for environmental and process chemistry startup for a 740 MW Coal Fired Plant

JUNE 1979 – JANUARY 1982
ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING TECHNICIAN, NCDENR
Responsible for environmental field sampling and analysis

EDUCATION

MAY 1979
BS BIOLOGY, NC STATE UNIVERSITY
Concentration in Freshwater Fisheries

JUNE 1986
BS CHEMICAL ENGINEERING, NC STATE UNIVERSITY

AUGUST 2002
EXECUTIVE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM, UNC KENAN SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

FEBRUARY 2006
EXECUTIVE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM, DUKE FUQUA SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

SKILLS

- Track record of leadership and teamwork
- Licensed Professional Engineer (NC)
- Collaboration and Coalition Building
- Technical Expertise

ACTIVITIES

- Trout Unlimited
- Ruffed Grouse Society
- Ducks Unlimited
- Asheville Downtown Association