



**DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
WATER AND SEWER AUTHORITY**

Board of Directors

Governance Committee

Wednesday, March 8, 2023

9:00 a.m.

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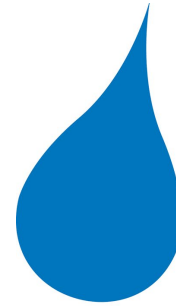
AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order Christopher Herrington, Chairperson**
- 2. Roll Call Michelle Rhodd, Board Secretary**
- 3. Blue Drop Update FY23 Thomas Kuczynski, President Blue Drop**
- 4. Other Business..... Christopher Herrington, Chairperson**
- 5. Adjournment..... Christopher Herrington, Chairperson**

The DC Water Board of Directors may go into executive session at this meeting pursuant to the District of Columbia Open Meetings Act of 2010, if such action is approved by a majority vote of the Board members who constitute a quorum to discuss certain matters, including but not limited to: matters prohibited from public disclosure pursuant to a court order or law under D.C. Official Code § 2-575(b)(1); terms for negotiating a contract, including an employment contract, under D.C. Official Code § 2-575(b)(2); obtain legal advice and preserve attorney-client privilege or settlement terms under D.C. Official Code § 2-575(b)(4)(A); collective bargaining negotiations under D.C. Official Code § 2-575(b)(5); facility security matters under D.C. Official Code § 2-575(b)(8); disciplinary matters under D.C. Official Code § 2-575(b)(9); personnel matters under D.C. Official Code § 2-575(b)(10); third-party proprietary matters under D.C. Official Code § 2-575(b)(11); train and develop Board members and staff under D.C. Official Codes § 2-575(b)(12); adjudication action under D.C. Official Code § 2-575(b)(13); civil or criminal matters or violations of laws or regulations where disclosure to the public may harm the investigation under D.C. Official Code § 2-575(b)(14); and other matters provided under the Act.

Blue Drop Board Update

February 2023 update

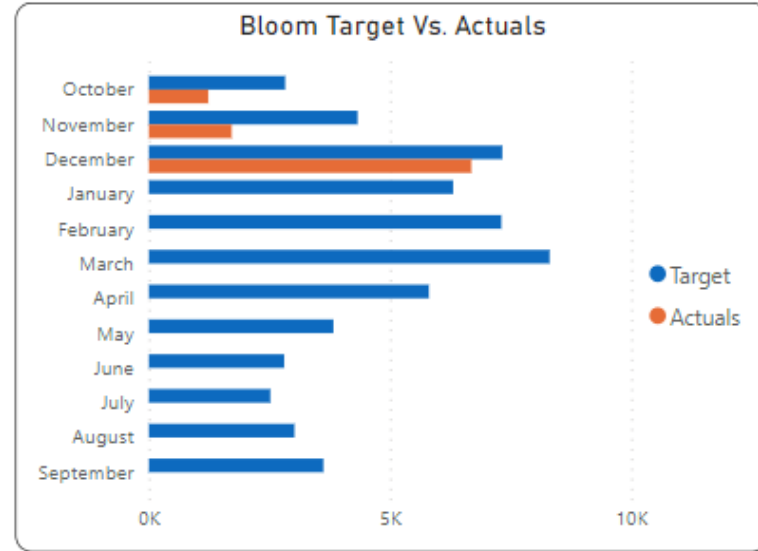


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Bloom Update

	Annual Goal	Current	% of total	Status
Tonnage	60,000	11,481	19%	G
Savings	\$2,000,000	\$464,280	23%	G
Revenue	\$339,000	\$70,199	20%	G

- Best December on record
- Sold out until the end of April
- PEER Org recommended restricting use of Bloom in Montgomery County
- 400+ attendees for PFAS & biosolids webinar on 1/26



Bloom Montgomery Co Background

- December 2022: Poolesville decided to shut down two of its local wells due to elevated PFAS levels.
 - 12/26/22: Media stories on the closure include statements from two people claiming its from biosolids.
- January 2023:
 - 1/3/23: Poolesville held a local meeting where its consultants explained the situation, including that they do not know the sources of PFAS.
 - 1/9/23: Montgomery County Office of Agriculture met and recommended voluntarily suspending the application of biosolids.
 - 1/13/23: DC Water exec team gave Chris Peot permission to meet with MoCo Office of Ag. Meeting will be with farm customers and the Office. Meeting is scheduled for 2/7.
 - 1/20/23: DC Water responded to an email for information to Steve Shofar, DC Water Board member and Intergovernmental Affairs Manager for the MoCo Department of Environmental Protection.
 - 1/24/23: PEER released press release calling for the ban of biosolids in MoCo. www.peer.org
 - 1/26/23: Chris Peot was interviewed by reporters from three local media outlets: WAMU Radio, the Bay Journal, and WUSA 9 TV.
 - 1/26/23: Blue Drop hosted webinar on PFAS in biosolids with researcher Dr. Ian Pepper. Watch here: <https://tinyurl.com/u5mr4kb6>
 - 1/27/23: Blue Drop issued statement in response on website and sharing with MoCo customers.



Bloom Montgomery Co Update

Blue Drop's goal is to proactively communicate science-based information on the situation to our customers and journalists as well as assist DC Water in facilitating conversations with regulators.

- DC Water and Blue Drop are working with the Montgomery County Board members to facilitate conversations with regulators as warranted.
- Montgomery County does not have the regulatory authority to ban biosolids.
- DC Water and Blue Drop met with the MoCo Office of Agriculture and farmers on 2/7.
- DC Water hosted 3 interviews with Chris Peot (WAMU, WUSA, Bay Journal)
- Journalists were invited to the webinar on biosolids (Bloomberg news, Washington Post, WAMU, WUSA, Bay Journal)



HQO - Events Update

	Annual Goal	Current	% of total	Status
Paid Events	50	20	40%	G
Revenue	\$515,000	\$156,116	30%	G

- Hosted largest event yet, 2nd annual NYE party with 800 attendees
- Doubled the number of events held in Q1 compared to FY22



Other Initiatives

Revenue	Annual Goal	Current	% of total	Status
Blue Plains IP	\$565,000	\$67,682	12%	G
Other IP	\$100,000	\$0	0%	Y
Cell Towers	\$282,000	\$81,416	29%	G
RECs	\$3.7 million	\$1.38 million	37%	G

- Still wrapping up two cell contracts. One cell tower lease ending. Renegotiating another one.
- Evaluating sale of patent for manhole puller
- Maryland REC prices \$4-5 more per credit than anticipated.



Year-to-Date Position

PROFIT AND LOSS

This fiscal year ▾

\$2,583,987

Net income for this fiscal year

\$4,024,866

Income



\$1,440,879

Expenses



EXPENSES

This fiscal year ▾

\$1,440,879.38

Total expenses

- \$575,354.75
5100 Cost of Go...
- \$433,286.06
6000 Profession...
- \$287,182.88
5000 Compensa...
- \$145,055.69

