

## STATEMENT OF NOMINEE QUALIFICATIONS

The two defined qualification areas are excellence in science or profession, and outstanding service to IHMM, IHMM-certificants, or HMS. Please provide all of the following information.

1. Please describe the reasons you think the nominee would make an asset as an HMS Board Member. Include anything that highlights the individual's qualifications, such as service on standards committees, volunteer service, or leadership positions in other organizations, etc. Provide as much detail as needed.

**Mr. Ross earned the CHMM credential in 2003 and has served many years in various volunteer roles and responsibilities to promote and contribute to the field of hazardous materials management. Mr. Ross's primary contributions include, serving as a member of HMS Education and Training Committee where he volunteered to lead the effort in creating an approval process for vendors to advertise training courses on the HMS website, as well as contributing to the development of a comprehensive CHMM training matrix that aligns various hazardous materials courses to the CHMM Exam Blueprint. Mr. Ross has been serving as a member of the IHMM Recertification Committee since 2015, where he assists the committee in updating and maintaining recertification guidelines for the CHMM credential.**

**In his home community, Mr. Ross has served a three-year term as a CHMM Member-at-Large for the Southern Nevada Chapter of the American Society of Safety Professionals (ASSP), to promote the CHMM credential as well as organize and present CHMM exam preparation courses. Mr. Ross was awarded the Safety Professional of the Year Award in 2008 for his service. He has also volunteered on various other community organizations as the Community Right-To-Know Subcommittee Chairman for County's Local Emergency Planning Committee, advisory member of the Hazardous Materials Response Plan Stakeholders Working Group, and as the Communications Coordinator for the Stormwater Quality Management Committee.**

2. Please describe what the nominee hopes to accomplish as an HMS Board Member. This could include policy or project proposals, leadership in certain areas, or other contributions the nominee wishes to make regarding the governance of the HMS organization. Provide as much detail as needed.

**If elected as a Board member of the Hazardous Materials Society, Mr. Ross will work toward increasing the visibility and importance of professional certifications; strengthen the HMS as a leader in the environmental; health and safety profession; and improve its professional development capabilities and networking opportunities for its membership. He will do this by working toward strengthening the Society's ties with the Institute of Hazardous Materials Management (IHMM) to support and promote its professional certifications; initiating and facilitating education and training programs, activities, and other efforts to assist certified members in credential recertification; provide network opportunities with other professional hazardous materials managers by providing conferences, training opportunities, and technical assistance consistent with the Society's vision and mission statements, and strategic focus through the Society's website, Collaboration Networking tool, and other venues.**

3. With the submittal, please provide a current resume (five-page maximum).

**See below**

4. With the submittal, provide a short statement regarding affiliations and any related obligations to other environmental organizations the nominee might have, if applicable. If none, indicate by “declaring none”.

**Mr. Ross is currently a member in good standing with the Hazardous Materials Society (HMS), Alliance of Hazardous Materials Professionals (AHMP), Air and Waste Management Association (AWMA), and the National Environmental Health Association (NEHA). He currently serves as member of the HMS Education and Training Committee as well as a member of the IHMM Recertification Committee.**

5. With the submittal, please provide a half-page bio summarizing job history and education. Also, provide a photograph suitable for media release.



**Steven C. Ross, CHMM**

**Mr. Ross has more than 25 years of experience in hazardous materials and environmental regulatory compliance. He is currently an Assistant Director of Environmental Health and Safety for the College of Southern Nevada (CSN). Prior to joining CSN, Mr. Ross worked twenty-four years in Environmental Health and Safety for the Las Vegas Valley Water District and started his career as an intern for Ocean Spray Cranberries in Henderson, Nevada in 1995.**

**Mr. Ross has a B.A. in Environmental Studies from the University of Nevada, Las Vegas as well three Associate of Applied Science Degrees in Environmental Safety and Health, Fire Science, and Wildland Fire Science from the College of Southern Nevada. Mr. Ross is currently a Certified Hazardous Materials Manager (CHMM), as well as a Certified Environmental Manager (CEM) with the State of Nevada, Certified Fire Protection Specialist (CFPS) with National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), and a Registered Environmental Health Specialist (REHS) with the State of Nevada and the National Environmental Health Association (NEHA).**

**Mr. Ross has been active with various local and national hazardous materials and environmental organizations and currently serves as member of the HMS Education and Training Committee as well as a member of the IHMM Recertification Committee. Mr. Ross has previously served as a CHMM Member-At-Large with the Southern Nevada Chapter of the American Society of Safety Professionals; member of the Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) in Clark County, Nevada; Technical Review Committee for the California/Nevada Section of the American Water Works Association (AWWA); and a member of the Stormwater Quality Management Committee in Clark County, Nevada.**

# Steven C. Ross, CHMM, CEM

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## EDUCATION

<b>Bachelor of Arts, Environmental Studies</b> University of Nevada, Las Vegas	1999
<b>Associates of Applied Science, Environmental Safety and Health</b> Community College of Southern Nevada	2001
<b>Associates of Applied Science, Urban Fire Science Technology</b> Community College of Southern Nevada	1994
<b>Associates of Applied Science, Wildland Fire Science</b> Community College of Southern Nevada	1994

## EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

### College of Southern Nevada

*Assistant Director - Environmental Health and Safety*

*April 2021 – Present*

Responsible for directing campus environmental programs including air permitting and reporting; chemical and biohazardous waste management operations; hazardous materials and SARA Title III Reporting; oil spill prevention, control, and countermeasure planning; laboratory safety; and various environmental health and safety programs.

*Environmental Scientist*

*September 2020 – March 2021*

Responsible for managing air permitting and reporting; chemical and biohazardous waste management operations; oil spill prevention, control, and countermeasure planning; and administer environmental health and safety programs.

### Las Vegas Valley Water District

*Senior Environmental Health and Safety Analyst*

*October 2015 – May 2020*

Directed environmental compliance programs for a large municipal water utility located in Southern Nevada. Served as the responsible official for OSHA, EPA, and DOT regulatory compliance for air permitting, hazardous materials, hazardous waste, and underground storage tank permitting; additional responsibilities included Radiation Safety Officer (RSO); Phase I & II site assessments; and oversee spill response and clean-up.

*Environmental Health and Safety Analyst*

*July 1999 – October 2015*

Responsible for NPDES water discharge regulatory permitting; Spill Prevention Control and Countermeasures plans, RCRA hazardous and universal wastes; CAA air pollution control permitting; PCB

and asbestos disposal; hazardous materials storage and Underground Storage Tank compliance. Additional responsibilities include managing compliance for oil/water separators; Respond to hazardous materials and petroleum releases; Develop and update emergency response plans and procedures.

*Environmental/Safety Intern*

*June 1996 – July 1999*

Responsible for supporting District operations by developing and implementing various Environmental Health and Safety programs covering OSHA Process Safety Management; EPA Risk Management Planning; RCRA hazardous waste; OSHA Hazard Communication; and waste minimization and recycling.

**Ocean Spray Cranberries, Inc., Henderson, Nevada**

*Environmental Intern*

*January 1995 – April 1996*

Responsible for providing safety and environmental support to facility staff for programs covering hazardous materials permitting; OSHA Hazard Communication; TRI and SARA Title III reporting; air quality permitting; and confined space entry.

**CERTIFICATIONS**

EPA Method 9 Visible Emissions Certification	2012 – Present
Class A/B Underground Storage Tank Operator	2012 – Present
Registered Environmental Health Specialist/Registered Sanitarian (REHS/RS); NEHA	2006 – Present
Registered Environmental Health Specialist (REHS) #185; State of Nevada	2005 – Present
Certified Fire Protection Specialist (CFPS) #2162; NFPA	2004 – Present
D-1 Water Operator #185; State of Nevada	2004 – Present
Certified Hazardous Materials Manager (CHMM) #12005; IHMM	2003 – Present
Certified Environmental Manager (CEM) #1865; State of Nevada	2003 – Present
OSHA 24-Hour HAZWOPER Hazardous Materials Technician	2002 – Present

**PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

Alliance of Hazardous Materials Professionals (AHMP)	2008 – Present
National Environmental Health Association (NEHA)	2006 – Present
Air & Waste Management Association (AWMA)	2001 – Present

**AWARDS**

Safety Professional of the Year – ASSP, Southern Nevada Chapter	2008
Member of the Year – ASSP, Southern Nevada Chapter	2006

**SKILLS**

Strong organizational skills, ability to work independently and multitask.  
Highly proficient computer skills including Word, Excel, PowerPoint.  
Master trainer and communicator of EHS procedures/work instructions/processes to applicable team members and leadership.