

## **Bio Summary**

### **John P. Scheltens**

#### **Scheltens & Associates – Principal**

2007 – Present

Engineering Design & Project Management

#### **National Drinking Water Consultant**

2008 – Present

Oxenford Consulting , LLP. - National drinking water consulting group consisting of 18 professionals each having a minimum of 30years experience in the field of water treatment, distribution and management.

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Golden, CO 80401  
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#### **City Engineer - Project Administrator**

1977-2007

City of Hot Springs, South Dakota. More than 30 years of professional experience in the design, funding and administration of over \$50 Million in public works projects. Projects include a public library, civic center, police station, geothermal heating and cooling systems, water and wastewater treatment plants, many miles of water distribution and wastewater collection systems, solid waste material recovery facility, airport and airport lighting system, roads, bridges, storm water collection systems, an 18-hole golf course, clubhouse as well as many parks and recreation projects.

#### **Education:**

B.S., Engineering  
University of Illinois, 1973

#### **Military:**

1<sup>st</sup> Lt. United States Army  
Corp of Engineers  
1974-1980

**- United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA)**

**National Drinking Water Advisory Council (NDWAC) 1996-2002 (6 Years)**

Appointed during Clinton & Bush Administration. The National Drinking Water Advisory Council provides advise to the administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency on national drinking water policy to include the implementation of the 1996 Amendments of the Safe Drinking Water Act. Responsibilities also included testimony before the U.S. Congress on issues related to legislation affecting national drinking water standards.

Subcommittees served on to implement various topics of the Safe Drinking Water Act included:

- a. Operator Certification Work Group
- b. Small Systems Capacity Work Group
- c. Small Systems Implementation Work Group
- d. Arsenic Cost Implementation Workgroup
- e. (2007-2008) a member of the Technical Work Group advising the Federal Advisory Committee for the revision of the Total Coliform Rule

**- Board member of the South Dakota Certification Board for Water & Wastewater Operators**

Governor appointed state board for the testing and certifying water and wastewater operators in the State of South Dakota. I am presently serving as a member of this state board and have served so for aver 10 years.

**- Past National Board Member of the Associations of Boards of Certification (ABC)**

The ABC is the national board of directors to develop the national testing criteria and exams for all certified water and wastewater operators in the United States. (192-99)

**- American Water Works Association (AWWA)**

- a. International Board of Director 1991-94
- b. AWWA Executive Committee 1994
- c. Water Utility Council 1994-2000 (7 Years)- Vice-Chair from 1997-2000.
- d. Small Systems Division: 1994-2008 - Chair 2005-2008.
- e. Technical & Education Council 2005-2008
- f. Administrative & Policy Council
- g. BOG Representative to the Association of Boards of Certification

**- National Speleological Society (NSS) (1968 – Present)**

- President, 1988-92
- Executive Vice-President, 1984-88
- Co-Chair of the 1988 NSS Convention, Hot Springs, S.D.
- Lead officer to develop and enact the Federal Cave Resource Protection Act of 1988 (Public Law 100-691)
- Negotiated National Memorandum's of Understanding (MOU's) between the NSS, the National Park Service, the National Forest Service, and the Bureau of Land Management and the Nature Conservancy.

- 1989, Led the first caving expedition to the USSR
- Technical Consultant to MacGuillary – Freeman Films of Laguna Beach, Calif, to produce the first IMAX film on caves entitled 'Journey into Amazing Caves'.

**- Black Hills Hydrology Steering Committee**

Served on the steering committee to coordinate a 10-year multi-agency, multi-million dollar study of the Black Hills Aquifers. Agencies included the United States Geological Survey, the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, the South Dakota Department of Environment Natural Resources, as well local government.

**AWARDS**

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**"1990 -National Top 10 Public Works Leader of the Year"** Selected as one of the Top 10 Public Works Leaders in the United States by the American Public Works Association

**"National Award for Energy Innovation"** 1988 , United States Department of Energy

**"1986 - Awarded the Most Outstanding Civil Engineering Achievement"** by the American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE) for the innovative design of the Hots Springs Wastewater Treatment Facility.

**"1988 Governor's Award for Energy Innovation"** awarded by Governor George S. Mickelson for innovative energy design of the Hot Springs Mueller Center.

**"1988 - United States Department of Energy National Award for Energy Innovation"** awarded by the United States Secretary of Energy, John S. Harrington, for distinguished contributions to our Nations energy efficiency.

**"1996 William J. Stephenson Award for Outstanding Service"** National Speleological Society

**"2000 -Harris Seidel Award"** , awarded by the Association of Boards Certification (ABC) for outstanding contributions to Operator Certification to protect the our nations public drinking water supply.

**"2001 -Honorary Member - AWWA"** , Lifetime and Honorary membership, awarded by the American Water Works Association (AWWA) for outstanding national contributions to protecting the drinking water of the United States.