## Partnering Agreement Between The National Environmental Health Association and the National Onsite Wastewater Recycling Association, U.S.A.

## It is understood that:

Achieving water quality protection through improved technical standards of practice in developing solutions for the unsewered wastewater infrastructure, that further enables access to safe drinking water supplies is one of the most important actions to be taken towards improving public health and well-being anywhere in the world.

These values are the foundation of NOWRA's Strategic Framework ....

To "achieve sustainable development while protecting human health and environmental quality."

At the same time, the education in the ways of practices and solutions for existing and future users of these systems, as well as planning, public health, and regulatory policy and elected officials; the building, realty and financial industries; environmental and business groups, as well as the general public is equally critical.

It is recognized that the National Onsite Wastewater Recycling Association is one of the leading organizations within the United States through which environmental health professionals can upgrade their knowledge and training of the onsite and decentralized wastewater industry and increase their capacity to better manage and develop their water resources; and that

The values and mission of the National Environmental Health Association are also directed towards mutual educational goals that address ongoing improvements and scientific and technological advancements for the development of methods for the protection and management of surface and groundwater resources and the environment.

Therefore, because the National Environmental Health Association and the National Onsite Wastewater Recycling Association each serve mutual water quality protection interests, it is agreed that the best interests of both organizations will be facilitated by:

Improved understanding and long-term mutual objectives; Sustained contacts among ground water professionals; and by Sustained contacts among leaders and staff of both organizations.

In supporting these mutual best interests, the National Environmental Health Association and the National Onsite Wastewater Recycling Association U.S.A. hereby agree to a cooperative partnering relationship by fulfilling activitiesling Associ