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Bear Onsite, LLC Achieves NSF Standard 46 Certification

Somerville, TN (March 12, 2011) ---Bear Onsite, LLC is proud to announce that all six of its current effluent filter models, (ML3-910, ML3-916, ML3-925, ML3-932, ML3-948 and ML3-964) have been awarded NSF/ANSI Standard 46 Certification. The ML3 series of effluent filters becomes the first and only filters to date to successfully meet all the requirements of the 2010 Edition of Standard 46. "It's always a special accomplishment to obtain an NSF Certification," Bear Onsite President Theo Terry commented. "I'm very pleased to have been a member of the Zabel Environmental Technology design team which obtained the *first* Standard 46 certification back in 2000. Now, as President of my own company, Bear Onsite, I'm proud to once again be a front runner in our industry by achieving certification under the new and improved 2010 version of Standard 46."

"In 2000, when the NSF Joint Committee finalized the first set of test methods and criteria for effluent filters, we did our best to anticipate what the marketplace needed in a Standard," stated Tom Bruursema, General Manager of Wastewater Treatment Units at NSF International. "But as effluent filter use and regulations have evolved, the Committee has adjusted the Standard to address the needs of the market with (1) a new particle size test (1/16th or 1/8th of an inch), and (2) a new bypass protection test to address the potential issue of filters popping out of their cases and allowing a by-pass to occur."

Terry has more than 25 years of experience in the onsite wastewater industry, both as a local environmentalist and in the private sector. He has served on several committees at the state and local level,

and helped draft the current standards. His expertise in the field of effluent filters has led him to believe that a field performance certification is the next step in determining how long effluent filters actually perform in the field. Terry has requested that NSF establish a Task Group to begin work on this important component. “I realize some Manufacturers do not want to see more certifications, and the cost associated with them, Terry said.” “However, I think field certification is an important component to protect homeowners, so that they have actual data to assure them the products they purchase perform in the “real world” and not just meet a minimum regulatory requirement for outlet screens.”

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