#### **CHAPTER 7A**

# DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

#### Authority

N.J.S.A. 52:14F-5(e), (f) and (g).

#### Source and Effective Date

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#### Chapter Expiration Date

Chapter 7A, Department of Environmental Protection, expires on May 10, 2010.

#### **Chapter Historical Note**

Chapter 7A, Department of Environmental Protection, was adopted as R.1995 d.184, effective April 3, 1995. See: 26 N.J.R. 4124(a), 26 N.J.R. 4863(a), 27 N.J.R. 1399(a).

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### SUBCHAPTER 1. APPLICABILITY

### 1:7A-1.1 Applicability

The rules in this chapter shall apply to contested case hearings arising in the Department of Environmental Protection. Any aspect of the hearing not covered by these special hearing rules shall be governed by the Uniform Administrative Procedure Rules contained in N.J.A.C. 1:1. To the extent that these rules are inconsistent with the UAPR, these rules shall apply.

SUBCHAPTERS 2 THROUGH 7. (RESERVED)

## SUBCHAPTER 8. FILING AND TRANSMISSION OF CONTESTED CASES IN THE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW

# 1:7A-8.1 Agency filing with the Office of Administrative Law; settlement efforts

Contested cases filed with the Department of Environmental Protection shall comply with the filing and transmission requirements of N.J.A.C. 1:1–8.1, provided however, upon written notice from the Department of Environmental Protection to all parties stating that the agency is attempting to resolve the matter through mediation and that all parties agree to continue the mediation efforts, the 30–day period provided by N.J.A.C. 1:1–8.1(b) shall be extended for an additional 30 days. At the conclusion of that 30–day extension, unless all parties agree to continue settlement efforts, the matter shall either be filed with the Office of Administrative Law or retained by the agency under the provisions of N.J.S.A. 52:14F–8.