

CHAPTER 1E

DISCHARGES OF PETROLEUM AND OTHER HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES

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Chapter 1E, Discharges of Petroleum and Other Hazardous Substances, was readopted as R.1985 d.377, effective July 15, 1985. See: 17 N.J.R. 865(a), 17 N.J.R. 1759(a). Pursuant to Executive Order No. 66(1978), Chapter 1E, Discharges of Petroleum and Other Hazardous Substances, expired on July 15, 1990.

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Subchapter 5, Hazardous Substance Discharge: Reports and Notices, was recodified from N.J.A.C. 7:1-7 by R.1990 d.457, effective September 17, 1990. See: 22 N.J.R. 1457(a), 22 N.J.R. 2965(a).

Public Notice: Notice to adopt rules concerning petroleum and other hazardous substances. See: 23 N.J.R. 2507(a).

Chapter 1E, Discharges of Petroleum and Other Hazardous Substances, was repealed and Chapter 1E, Discharges of Petroleum and Other Hazardous Substances, was adopted as new rules by R.1991 d.465, effective September 3, 1991, operative September 11, 1991. See: 23 N.J.R. 1335(a), 23 N.J.R. 2656(a).

Subchapter 7, Confidentiality Claims, Subchapter 8, Confidentiality Determinations, Subchapter 9, Disclosure and Use of Confidential Information, and Subchapter 10, Treatment of Confidential Information, were adopted as new rules by R.1992 d.186, effective April 20, 1992. See: 23 N.J.R. 2848(a), 24 N.J.R. 1484(a).

Pursuant to Executive Order No. 66(1978), Chapter 1E, Discharges of Petroleum and Other Hazardous Substances, was readopted as R.1996 d.462, effective September 3, 1996. As part of R.1996 d.462, Appendix C, Mapping and Digital Data Standards, was recodified to N.J.A.C. 7:1 Appendix A. See: 28 N.J.R. 2730(a), 28 N.J.R. 4424(b).

Chapter 1E, Discharges of Petroleum and Other Hazardous Substances, was readopted as R.2001 d.355, effective August 31, 2001. See: Source and Effective Date. See, also, section annotations.

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SUBCHAPTER 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS

7:1E-1.1 Scope

(a) This chapter covers the discharge of hazardous substances as defined in this chapter. These rules set forth guidelines and procedures to be followed by all persons in the event of a discharge of a hazardous substance. They also set forth certain registration, reporting, design and maintenance requirements for owners and operators of major facilities and transmission pipelines which handle hazardous substances.

(b) This subchapter prescribes the provisions that are generally applicable. The following shall govern how certain terms are defined for use in this chapter, which persons are subject to this chapter, and the Department's rights of access for determining compliance with this chapter and the Act.

Amended by R.1996 d.252, effective June 3, 1996.
See: 27 N.J.R. 2337(a), 27 N.J.R. 2882(a), 28 N.J.R. 2858(a).
In (a) deleted exception for discharges pursuant to permit.

Case Notes

Terms defined in Spill Compensation and Control Act regulations were not void for vagueness. In re Adoption of N.J.A.C. 7:1E, 255 N.J.Super. 469, 605 A.2d 733 (A.D.1992).

Spill Compensation and Control Act regulations which required reporting of discharges were constitutional. In re Adoption of N.J.A.C. 7:1E, 255 N.J.Super. 469, 605 A.2d 733 (A.D.1992).

Spill Compensation and Control Act regulations which did not specify discharge quantity were not unconstitutional on their face. In re Adoption of N.J.A.C. 7:1E, 255 N.J.Super. 469, 605 A.2d 733 (A.D.1992).

7:1E-1.2 Construction

(a) These rules, being necessary to promote the public health and welfare, and to protect the environment, shall be liberally construed so as to permit the Department to discharge its statutory functions under the Act.

(b) The Commissioner may amend or repeal this chapter in conformance with the Administrative Procedure Act, N.J.S.A. 52:14B-1 et seq., and N.J.A.C. 1:30.

7:1E-1.3 Severability

If any section, subsection, provision, clause or portion of this chapter or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is adjudged invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this chapter and the application thereof to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected thereby, and shall remain in full force and effect.

7:1E-1.4 Relationship to Federal and State Law

These rules are not intended to and do not relieve any person of the duty to comply with all other applicable laws, ordinances, rules, regulations or orders of governmental authorities governing activities regulated hereunder, including rules or regulations of the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, New Jersey Department of the Treasury, and other appropriate State, Federal and local agencies.

Case Notes

The Environmental Cleanup Responsibility Act (ECRA) is not preempted by the provision of the Bankruptcy Code; debtor permitted to abandon property as burdensome and cease operations on other property to prevent continuing losses, without complying with ECRA. In the Matter of Borne Chemical Co., Inc., 54 B.R. 126 (Bkrtcy.Ct.N.J. 1984).