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TRANSMITTAL SHEET FOR
NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION

Control 335 Department or Agency Environmental Management
Rule No. 335-6-15-.33
Rule Title: Temporary Closure

 New X Amend Repeal Adopt by Reference

Would the absence of the proposed rule significantly harm or endanger the public health, welfare, or safety? YES

Is there a reasonable relationship between the state's police power and the protection of the public health, safety, or welfare? YES

Is there another, less restrictive method of regulation available that could adequately protect the public? NO

Does the proposed rule have the effect of directly or indirectly increasing the costs of any goods or services involved and, if so, to what degree? NO

Is the increase in cost, if any, more harmful to the public than the harm that might result from the absence of the proposed rule? NO

Are all facets of the rulemaking process designed solely for the purpose of, and so they have, as their primary effect, the protection of the public? YES

Does the proposed rule have an economic impact? NO

If the proposed rule has an economic impact, the proposed rule is required to be accompanied by a fiscal note prepared in accordance with subsection (f) of section 41-22-23, Code of Alabama 1975.

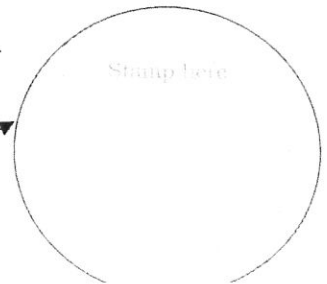
Certification of Authorized Official

I certify that the attached proposed rule has been proposed in full compliance with the requirements of Chapter 22, Title 41, Code of Alabama 1975, and that it conforms to all applicable filing requirements of the Administrative Procedure Division of the Legislative Reference Service.

Signature of certifying officer Maury Elliott

Date 11-7-13

Date Filed



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**DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT
WATER DIVISION**

NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION

AGENCY NAME: DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

RULE NO. & TITLE: 335-6-15-.33 Temporary Closure (Amend)

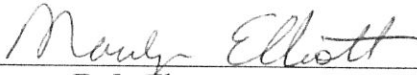
INTENDED ACTION: The Alabama Department of Environmental Management proposes to amend Administrative Code Rule 335-6-15-.33.

SUBSTANCE OR PROPOSED ACTION: A revision is being proposed to this rule to require the tank owner to immediately empty, and repair or permanently close a temporarily closed underground storage tank if the tank owner is aware of the tank system being comprised such that it may be leaking product.

TIME, PLACE, MANNER OF PRESENTING VIEWS: Comments may be submitted in writing or orally at a public hearing to be held at 1:00 p.m., January 9, 2014, in the ADEM Main Hearing Room, 1400 Coliseum Boulevard, Montgomery, Alabama 36110.

FINAL DATE FOR COMMENT AND COMPLETION OF NOTICE: January 9, 2014

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335-6-15-.33 Temporary Closure.

(1) When an UST system is temporarily closed, owners and operators must:

(a) Continue operation and maintenance of corrosion protection in accordance with rule 335-6-15-.10, and any release detection in accordance with rules 335-6-15-.14 through 335-6-15-.19. However, release detection is not required as long as the UST system is empty. The UST system is empty when all materials have been removed using commonly employed practices so that no more than 2.5 centimeters (one inch) of residue, or 0.3 percent by weight of the total capacity of the UST system, remain in the system.

~~(b) Comply with rRules 335-6-15-.20 through 335-6-15-.25 must be complied with if a release is suspected or confirmed, and. However, release detection is not required as long as the UST system is empty. The UST system is empty when all materials have been removed using commonly employed practices so that no more than 2.5 centimeters (one inch) of residue, or 0.3 percent by weight of the total capacity of the UST system, remain in the system.~~

(c) Immediately empty and within 90 days either repair in accordance with rule 335-6-15-.12 or permanently close the UST system in accordance with rules 335-6-15-.34, 335-6-15-.35 and 335-6-15-.37 if the UST owner, operator, or Department is aware of the UST system being compromised in any way such that it may release regulated substance.

(2) When an UST system is temporarily closed for 3 months or more, owners and operators must also comply with the following requirements:

(a) Leave vent lines open and functioning; and

(b) Cap and secure all other lines, pumps, man ways, and ancillary equipment.

(e3) When an UST system is temporarily closed for more than 12 months, owners and operators must permanently close the UST system if it does not meet either performance standards in rule 335-6-15-.06 for new UST systems or the upgrading requirements in rule 335-6-15-.07, except that the spill and overfill equipment requirements do not have to be met. Owners and operators must permanently close the substandard UST systems within 90 days from the end of this 12-month period in accordance with rules 335-6-15-.34 through 335-6-15-.37, unless the Department provides an extension of the 12-month temporary closure period. Owners and operators must complete a site assessment in accordance with rule 335-6-15-.26 before such an extension can be applied for.

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Statutory Authority: Code of Alabama 1975, § 22-36-3.

History: April 5, 1989.

Amended: October 2, 2003; XXXXXX, 2014.