

ATTENTION GENERATORS:

Good afternoon:

As of October 2, 2020, the Division of Environmental Quality Office of Land Resources (DEQ) has officially adopted five (5) new rules: the Revised Definition of Solid Waste, e-Manifest User Fee, Hazardous Waste Generator Improvement Rule, Import/Export Rule, and Coal Combustion Residuals (CCR) exemption. All of which have been incorporated into APC&EC Rule No. 23, formerly known as APC&EC Regulation No. 23.

The new Hazardous Waste Generator Improvements Rule is particularly important to note because it finalizes a much-needed update to rules pertaining to the regulated community, which makes the rules easier to understand, facilitates better compliance, provides greater flexibility in how hazardous waste is managed, and closes important gaps in the regulations. Additionally, it finalizes a number of clarifications without increasing burden, including a reorganization of the hazardous waste generator regulations so that all of the generator regulations are in one place. Two (2) key provisions of the new Hazardous Waste Generator Improvements Rule include, but are not limited to:

1. Allowing a hazardous waste generator to avoid increased burden of a higher generator status when generating episodic waste provided the episodic waste is properly managed, and;
2. Allowing a very small quantity generator (VSQG) to send its hazardous waste to a large quantity generator under control of the same person.

Please be aware that this email simply serves as notification to Arkansas' adoption of these five (5) new rules, and does not cover all changes and additions included in these new rules which may be applicable to your facility as a hazardous waste generator. For an all-inclusive account of these new rules, please access the PDF copy of APC&EC Rule No. 23 at our website:

<https://www.adeq.state.ar.us/regs/>

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact DEQ's Hazardous Waste Compliance Coordinator, Ann Blake, at blake@adeq.state.ar.us or (501) 913-3452.

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