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DATE 6/9/16



START ACTION NOTICE # 2016-05

1. **TYPE OF ACTION:** The proposed action will make content updates to the Regulations For Licensing Operators of Wastewater Facilities
2. **PURPOSE OF ACTION:** This action is being taken to: (1) incorporate language as recommended by the regulated entities; (2) adhere to the new regulation format and numbering requirement; (3) reorganize the structure of the Board of Certification; (4) update the treatment plant classification process; (5) modify and enhance licensing requirements. There are no new fees proposed and no current fee increases proposed in this action. The Regulations For Licensing Operators of Wastewater Facilities are licensing regulations and there are no changes/modifications being proposed that will increase current costs to affected public and private entities, nor the wastewater operating community.
3. **STATUTORY BASIS:** Title 7, Delaware Code, Chapter 60, Environmental Control
4. **DATE OF MOST RECENT REVIEW/AMENDMENT:** December 11, 2001
5. **LIKELY AFFECTED PUBLIC:** Current and future Wastewater Operators, Qualified On-site Wastewater System Owners (small & large), private, public, municipal, and industrial wastewater treatment systems.
6. **PROPOSED SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES:**

DNREC Staff Outlines Proposal – 1Q16	Complete Draft Proposal – 1Q16
Public Workshop – 2Q16	Public Hearing – 3Q16
Proposal in DE Register – 4Q16	Final Regulation Promulgated – 4Q16
7. **REVIEW COMMITTEE:** The Board of Certification (BOC) for Wastewater Operators, DNREC Groundwater Discharges Section, DNREC Surface Water Discharges Section, have and will be part of the review process. Additionally, the BOC holds open meetings on a regular basis, and at least annually, the BOC has hosted an “Open Mike” meeting to allow the regulated community of operators & owners the opportunity to forward recommendations/suggestions for improvement of the BOC licensing activities and the Regulations For Licensing Operators of Wastewater Facilities. Operators from several levels of the affected community have been working with the BOC in the development of the proposed updates. The Department also believes that planned educational outreach, the public workshop, and a public hearing, will provide adequate education and comment opportunities for the public and the regulated community.

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