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MEMORANDUM TO: Office of the Governor
Members of the Senate Natural Resources and Environmental
Control Committee
Members of the House Environment and Natural Resources
Committee

FROM : Collin P. O'Mara, Secretary 

SUBJECT : ***START ACTION NOTICE***

DATE : November 28, 2012

Enclosed for your information is **APPROVED** Start Action Notice:

2012-21 to amend Delaware Regulations Governing Underground Injection Control.

Division Directors
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Those on Start Action Approval List
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2012-21

DATE

12/4/12

START ACTION NOTICE (SAN)

1. TYPE OF ACTION:

Amendments to the State of Delaware Regulations Governing Underground Injection Control. These regulations have not been modified since their issuance, with an effective date of August 15, 1983.

2. PURPOSE OF ACTION:

The purpose of the proposed revisions is to bring the regulations into compliance with current federal requirements, as determined by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). The EPA issued the *Revisions to the Underground Injection Control (UIC) Regulations for Class V Injection Wells*, effective April 2000 and December 2011. With this, the State of Delaware Regulations Governing Underground Injection Control is to be amended.

In addition, the revised regulations will be written more clearly, to enable the public to better understand the requirements associated with UIC operations. The revised State regulations will also expand the existing regulations to include additional requirements for multiple water management activities as well as a new injection well class.

3. STATUTORY BASIS:

Title 7, Delaware Code, Chapter 60, *Environmental Control*.

4. LIKELY AFFECTED PUBLIC:

Those industries specifically covered by the regulations.

5. PROPOSED SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITY:

Public Workshops, Public Comment Period and Public Hearing to be scheduled following approval of SAN, following internal review.

6. REVIEW COMMITTEE:

The Review Committee will consist of members of the following organizations: DE Onsite Wastewater Recycling Association; various water supply companies; remediation consultants; DNREC; wastewater treatment and disposal facility operators; wastewater engineers. These organizations or groups will be notified of the proposals and will be invited to provide input into the revisions.

7. RESPONSIBLE STAFF MEMBER:

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