## NOTICE OF PROPOSED REGULATIONS ON HAZARDOUS WASTE IN THE REGULATIONS OF DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION

## **BRIEF DESCRIPTION**

The purpose of the regulations is to create a hazardous waste program under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) Subtitle C for the State of Alaska. The program will be delegated to the state from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), and once authorized, will be carried out "in lieu of" the federal program.

The Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (ADEC) proposes to adopt regulation changes in 18 AAC 62 of the Alaska Administrative Code, dealing with hazardous waste, including sections to describe:

- (1) The purpose of the chapter;
- (2) Standards for identification and listing of hazardous waste;
- (3) Standards applicable to generators of hazardous waste;
- (4) Standards applicable to transporters of hazardous waste;
- (5) Standards applicable to hazardous waste treatment, storage, and disposal facilities;
- (6) Land disposal restrictions;
- (7) Permitting procedures for hazardous waste facilities;
- (8) Standards for universal waste management;
- (9) Standards for management of used oil; and
- (10) Definitions for the chapter.

You may comment on the proposed regulation changes, including the potential costs to private persons of complying with the proposed changes, by submitting comments electronically via ADEC's public notice website at https://dec.alaska.gov/commish/public-notices/.

If you are unable to submit comments via this site, you may submit written comments to Rebecca Colvin, ADEC Division of Environmental Health at 555 Cordova St. Anchorage, AK 99501. Additionally, the ADEC will accept comments by facsimile at 907-269-7510 and by electronic mail at <a href="mailto:rebecca.colvin@alaska.gov">rebecca.colvin@alaska.gov</a>. The comments must be received not later than 11:59 pm on September 14, 2023.

You may submit written questions relevant to the proposed action to Rebecca Colvin by email at <a href="mailto:rebecca.colvin@alaska.gov">rebecca.colvin@alaska.gov</a> or at 555 Cordova St. Anchorage, AK 99501. The questions must be received at least 10 days before the end of the public comment period. The ADEC will aggregate its response to substantially similar questions and make the questions and responses available on the Alaska Online Public Notice System and at <a href="https://dec.alaska.gov/eh/">https://dec.alaska.gov/eh/</a>.

If you are a person with a disability who needs a special accommodation in order to participate in this process, please contact Megan Kohler at <a href="Megan.Kohler@alaska.gov">Megan.Kohler@alaska.gov</a> or 907-269-4198 not later than September 7, 2023, to ensure that any necessary accommodation can be provided.

A copy of the proposed regulation changes is available on the Alaska Online Public Notice System and online at <a href="https://dec.alaska.gov/eh/">https://dec.alaska.gov/eh/</a>.

A copy of material proposed for adoption by reference is available on the Alaska Online Public Notice System.

After the public comment period ends, ADEC will either adopt the proposed regulation changes or other provisions dealing with the same subject, without further notice, or decide to take no action. The language of the final regulation may be different from that of the proposed regulation. You should comment during the time allowed if your interests could be affected.

**Statutory authority:** AS 46.03.020; AS 46.03.296; AS 46.03.299

**Statutes being implemented, interpreted, or made specific:** AS 44.46.020; AS 46.03.010; AS 46.03.020; AS 46.03.296; AS 46.03.299; AS 46.03.302; AS 46.03.305; AS 46.03.308; AS 46.03.311; AS 46.03.710; AS 46.03.830; AS 46.03.833; AS 46.03.900

**Fiscal information:** The proposed regulation changes are not expected to require an increased appropriation.

Date: August 10, 2023

Jason Brune, Commissioner Department of Environmental Conservation