

## NOTICE OF INTENT

Department of Environmental Quality  
Office of Environmental Assessment  
Environmental Planning Division

Under the authority of the Environmental Quality Act, R.S. 30:2001 et seq., and in accordance with the provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act, R.S. 49:950 et seq., the secretary gives notice that rulemaking procedures have been initiated to amend the Hazardous Waste regulations, LAC 33:V.1109 and 2231 (Log #HW077\*).

This proposed rule is identical to federal regulations found in 64 FR 64503-64509, 12/5/97, and 65 FR 12378-12398, 3/8/00, which are applicable in Louisiana. For more information regarding the federal requirement, contact the Regulation Development Section at (225) 765-0399 or Box 82178, Baton Rouge, LA 70884-2178. No fiscal or economic impact will result from the proposed rule; therefore, the rule will be promulgated in accordance with R.S. 49:953(F)(3) and (4).

The proposed rule covers the adoption of rules in the RCRA X package for authorization for portions of the RCRA C program. The specific topic includes the following title: 180-day Accumulation for Waste Water Treatment Sludges from Metal Finishing. The rule also includes changes to reflect the delegable citations for the issuance of the general and site-specific variances. The hazardous waste regulations for the state must be equivalent to those of the federal in order for the state to be authorized for the new portions of the RCRA program. The basis and rationale for this proposed rule are to adopt recently promulgated regulations that are equivalent or more stringent in order for the state to maintain equivalency to the RCRA C Program.

This proposed rule meets an exception listed in R.S. 30:2019 (D) (3) and R.S.49:953 (G) (3); therefore, no report regarding environmental/health benefits and social/economic costs is required. This proposed rule has no known impact on family formation, stability, and autonomy as described in R.S. 49:972.

A public hearing will be held on June 25, 2001, at 1:30 p.m. in the Maynard Ketcham Building, Room 326, 7290 Bluebonnet Boulevard, Baton Rouge, LA 70810. Interested persons are invited to attend and submit oral comments on the proposed amendments. Should individuals with a disability need an accommodation in order to participate, contact Patsy Deaville at the address given below or at (225) 765-0399.

All interested persons are invited to submit written comments on the proposed regulations. Persons commenting should reference this proposed regulation by HW077\*. Such comments must be received no later than June 25, 2001, at 4:30 p.m., and should be sent to Patsy Deaville, Regulation Development Section, Box 82178, Baton Rouge, LA 70884-2178 or to FAX (225) 765-0389. The comment period for this rule ends on the same date as the public hearing. Copies of this proposed regulation can be purchased at the above referenced address. Contact the Regulation Development Section at (225) 765-0399 for pricing information. Check or money order is required in advance for each copy of HW077\*.

This proposed regulation is available for inspection at the following DEQ office locations from 8 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.: 7290 Bluebonnet Boulevard, Fourth Floor, Baton Rouge, LA 70810; 804 Thirty-first Street, Monroe, LA 71203; State Office Building, 1525 Fairfield Avenue, Shreveport, LA 71101; 3519 Patrick Street, Lake Charles, LA 70605; 201 Evans Road, Building 4, Suite 420, New Orleans, LA 70123; 100 Asma Boulevard, Suite 151, Lafayette, LA 70508; 104 Lococo Drive, Raceland, LA 70394 or on the Internet at <http://www.deq.state.la.us/planning/regs/index.htm>.

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**Title 33**  
**ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY**  
**Part V. Hazardous Waste and Hazardous Materials**  
**Subpart 1. Department of Environmental Quality—Hazardous Waste**

**Chapter 11. Generators**

**Subchapter A. General**

**§1109. Pre-Transport Requirements**

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[See Prior Text in A - E.9]

10. A generator who generates 1000 kilograms or greater of hazardous waste per calendar month who also generates wastewater treatment sludges from electroplating operations that meet the listing description for the RCRA hazardous waste code F006, may accumulate F006 waste on-site for more than 90 days, but not more than 180 days without a permit or without having interim status provided that:

a. the generator has implemented pollution prevention practices that reduce the amount of any hazardous substances, pollutants or contaminants entering F006 wastestream or otherwise released to the environment prior to its recycling;

b. the F006 waste is legitimately recycled through metals recovery;

c. no more than 20,000 kilograms of F006 waste are accumulated on-site at any one time; and

d. the F006 waste is managed in accordance with the following:

i. the F006 waste is placed:

(a). in containers and the generator complies with the applicable requirements of LAC 33:V.Chapter 43.Subchapters H, Q, R, and V; and/or

(b). in tanks and the generator complies with the applicable requirements of LAC 33:V.Chapter 43. Subchapters I, Q, R, and V, except LAC 33:V.4442 and 4445; and/or

(c). in containment buildings and the generator complies with LAC 33:V.Chapter 43.Subchapter T, and has placed its professional engineer certification that the building complies with the design standards specified in LAC 33:V.4703 in the facility's operating record prior to operation of the unit. The owner or operator must maintain the following records at the facility:

(i). a written description of procedures to ensure that the F006 waste remains in the unit for no more than 180 days, a written description of the waste generation and management practices for the facility showing that they are consistent with the 180-day limit, and documentation that the generator is complying with the procedures; or

(ii). documentation that the unit is emptied at least once every 180 days;

ii. in addition, such a generator is exempt from all the requirements in LAC 33:V.Chapter 43.Subchapters F and G, except for LAC 33:V.4379 and 4385;

iii. the date upon which each period of accumulation begins is clearly marked and visible for inspection on each container;

iv. while being accumulated on-site, each container and tank is labeled or marked clearly with the words, "Hazardous Waste"; and

v. the generator complies with the requirements for owners or operators in LAC 33:V.Chapter 43.Subchapters B and C, with LAC 33:V.4319, and 2245.E.

11. A generator who generates 1,000 kilograms or greater of hazardous waste per calendar month who also generates wastewater treatment sludges from electroplating operations that meet the listing description for the RCRA hazardous waste code F006, and who must transport this waste, or offer this waste for transportation, over a distance of 200 miles or more for off-site metals recovery, may accumulate F006 waste on-site for more than 90 days, but not more than 270 days without a permit or without having interim status if the generator complies with the requirements of Subsection E.10.a - d of this Section.

12. A generator accumulating F006 waste in accordance with Subsection E.10 and 11 of this Section who accumulates F006 waste on-site for more than 180 days (or for more than 270 days if the generator must transport this waste, or offer this waste for transportation, over a distance of 200 miles or more), or who accumulates more than 20,000 kilograms of F006 waste on-site is an operator of a storage facility and is subject to the requirements of LAC 33:V.Chapters 11, 15 - 21, 23 - 29, 31 - 37, and 43 (except LAC 33:V.4301.D and E) and the permit requirements of LAC 33:V.Chapters 3 - 7 unless the generator has been granted an extension to the 180-day (or 270-day if

applicable) period or an exception to the 20,000 kilogram accumulation limit. Such extensions and exceptions may be granted by the administrative authority if F006 waste must remain on-site for longer than 180 days (or 270 days if applicable) or if more than 20,000 kilograms of F006 waste must remain on-site due to unforeseen, temporary, and uncontrollable circumstances. An extension of up to 30 days or an exception to the accumulation limit may be granted at the discretion of the administrative authority on a case-by-case basis.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 30:2180 et seq.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Environmental Quality, Office of Solid and Hazardous Waste, Hazardous Waste Division, LR 10:200 (March 1984), amended LR 10:496 (July 1984), LR 13:433 (August 1987), LR 16:47 (January 1990), LR 16:220 (March 1990), LR 16:1057 (December 1990), LR 17:658 (July 1991), LR 18:1256 (November 1992), LR 18:1375 (December 1992), LR 20:1000 (September 1994), LR 20:1109 (October 1994), LR 21:266 (March 1995), amended by the Office of Waste Services, Hazardous Waste Division, LR 24:1693 (September 1998), LR 25:437 (March 1999), amended by the Office of Environmental Assessment, Environmental Planning Division, LR 25:1466 (August 1999), LR 26:277 (February 2000), LR 26:2470 (November 2000), LR 27:293 (March 2001), LR 27:\*\*\* (May 2001), LR 27:\*\*\* (May 2001), LR 27:\*\*.

**Title 33  
ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY**

**Part V. Hazardous Waste and Hazardous Materials**

**Subpart 1. Department of Environmental Quality—Hazardous Waste**

**Chapter 22. Prohibitions on Land Disposal**

**Subchapter A. Land Disposal Restrictions**

**§2231. Variance from a Treatment Standard**

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[See Prior Text in A - B]

C. After receiving a petition for a variance from a treatment standard, the administrative authority may request any additional information or samples that he or she may require to evaluate the petition. Additional copies of the complete petition may be requested as needed to send to affected states and regional offices.

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[See Prior Text in C.1 – 2]

D. The EPA administrator and/or the Office of Environmental Services, Permits Division will give public notice of the intent to approve or deny a petition and will provide the person requesting the variance and the public, through a newspaper notice in the official state journal and the local newspaper in the affected area, the cost of which will be charged to the person requesting the variance, the opportunity to submit written comments on the request and the conditions of the variance, allowing a 30-day comment period. The notices referred to in this Section will be provided in the local newspaper in three separate issues; however, the 30-day comment or notice period shall begin with the notice in the official state journal. The administrative authority will also, in response to a request or at his or her own discretion, hold a public hearing whenever such a hearing might clarify one or more issues concerning the variance request. The administrative authority will give public notice of the hearing at least 30 days before it occurs. (Public notice of the hearing may be given at the same time as notice of the opportunity for the public to submit written comments.) The final decision on a variance from a treatment standard will also be published.

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[See Prior Text in E - F]

G. Based on a petition filed by a generator or treater of hazardous waste, ~~the EPA administrator and~~ the administrative authority may approve a site-specific variance from an applicable treatment standard if:

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[See Prior Text in G.1 - M]

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