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The Pennsylvania SBDC Environmental Management Assistance Program ([EMAP](#)) is pleased to provide this free newsletter to small businesses in Pennsylvania.

Regulatory Updates

Flexible Packaging Compliance Deadline

As of January 1, 2015, owners and operators of affected printing presses must comply with new requirements which limit volatile organic compound (VOC) emissions from inks, coatings, fountain solutions, adhesives and cleaning solutions used or applied on or with flexible packaging printing presses, offset lithographic printing presses and letterpress printing presses.

[CLICK HERE](#) to learn more. DEP has prepared a [Fact Sheet](#) and [FAQs](#) to help printers comply.

Petroleum-Based Dry Cleaner Requirements

Due to new air quality standards, many dry cleaners have switched, or are considering switching, from perchloroethylene (perc) to petroleum based solvent dry cleaning machines. It is important to understand that the regulations that pertain to petroleum based dry cleaning are different from perc. Owners and operators of petroleum-based dry cleaning facilities may be required to obtain an operating permit from the DEP.

DEP's [Fact Sheet](#) helps dry cleaners understand the requirements.

Medical & Chemotherapeutic Waste Revisions

DEP amended medical and chemotherapeutic waste regulations to make them consistent with federal programs. The [Executive Summary](#) explains that the [final rulemaking](#) includes simplifying the labeling requirements for medical waste, providing seven new permit-by-rule for qualifying processors of medical waste and allowing transporters to use standard business documentation including electronic tracking systems rather than the outdated paper manifests. For more information, [CLICK HERE](#).

Permitting for Crematories

If you have a General Permit for the air emissions from your crematory, it is important to read the permit conditions and make sure you are complying with them. To help new and existing crematories better understand the requirements and permitting options, EMAP has prepared a crematory permit guidance [webpage](#) and [Fact Sheet](#).



EMAP Resources for Small Businesses

[Environmental Checklist for Small Manufacturers](#)

[Permit Requirements for Crematories](#)

[Preparing & Responding to Environmental Emergencies](#)

[Guidance for Mobile Washing Businesses](#)



Clean Water Act: What Waters are Protected?

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers have extended the comment period until October 20, 2014 for the proposed rule defining the scope of waters protected under the Clean Water Act. For more details, [CLICK HERE](#).

Funding Opportunities

DEP Small Business Advantage Grant

The DEP Small Business Advantage Grant program is expected to re-open in early September 2014. The first come, first served grant program provides 50 percent matching grants, up to a maximum of \$9,500, to enable a PA small business to adopt or acquire energy efficient or pollution prevention equipment or processes. [CLICK HERE](#) for more information.

Other Updates

Health & Safety

The Occupational Safety & Health Administration (OSHA) has many resources to help small businesses understand and comply with requirements. Visit EMAP's [Health & Safety](#) webpages for information on [Worker Health & Safety](#) and [OSHA Small Business Resources](#).

EMAP Assistance

The Environmental Consultants at EMAP can assist you with:

- [Environmental Compliance](#)
- [Air Permitting Assistance](#)
- [Greening your Business](#)
- [Finding Sources of Financing for Environmental Upgrades](#)
- Preparing Permit Applications and Plans
- Waste Exchanges: [Pennsylvania Material Trader](#)



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