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

News

EMAP presents a series of webinars offered at no cost to you that will focus on how small businesses in specific industries can address environmental issues, become more sustainable and grow their profits. Learn best practices in your industry that will help you comply with environmental requirements and save money.

Join us for the first webinar in our new series.

Sustaining Your Business: Craft Breweries

Thursday, December 8, 2016 at 1:00pm

Guest speaker: Cheri Chastain, Sustainability Manager of Sierra Nevada Brewing Co. will present on environmental issues facing the brewing industry.

Learn More and Register

Regulatory Updates

Revised Refrigerant Management Regulations

EPA updated the safe handling requirements under the 608 Refrigerant Management Regulations. EPA has developed fact sheets that explain how this rule affects:

- supermarkets and property and facility managers
- small appliance recyclers
- technicians

eDMR Reporting Mandatory December 12, 2016

The [NPDES Electronic Reporting Rule](#) makes it mandatory for all facilities that must report wastewater or stormwater data to start using Pennsylvania DEP's electronic Discharge Monitoring Reports (eDMR) system by December 12, 2016. If you are required to submit DMRs you need to register for the eDMR system. Instructions and registration documents can be found [here](#).

Revisions to NPDES General Permits for Industrial Stormwater

DEP finalized changes to the industrial stormwater general permit which include a recertification of the general permit every year to be submitted with the annual report, an annual fee of $500, semiannual facility inspections, and changes to best management practices (BMPs) for industries based on specific sectors. To read about these changes and more, visit this [link](#).

Other Updates

Hazardous Waste Generator Improvements

EPA finalized the [Hazardous Waste Improvements Rule](#) on October 28, 2016. Two important changes include flexibility to generators during episodic events and allowing a very small quantity generator to send its waste to a large quantity generator under control of the same organization.

EPA's Air Pollution Control Cost Manual

EPA is accepting public comment on the Air Pollution Control Cost Manual until December 21, 2016. The manual contains chapters on control measures and is used by EPA for estimating the impacts of rulemakings and as a basis to estimate costs for pollution control. [Click here](#) to read the notice for comments in the federal register.

Need Assistance?

EMAP Can Help!

The Environmental Consultants at EMAP provide strictly confidential, no-cost assistance with:

- [Environmental Compliance](#)
- [Air Quality Regulations](#)
- [Greening your Business](#)

Patrick McDonnell Nominated for Permanent DEP Secretary

Governor Tom Wolf nominated Acting Secretary of Environmental Protection Patrick McDonnell to serve permanently in that role, pending approval by the Pennsylvania Senate. [Learn More](#).

Sustaining Your Business: Craft Breweries

Craft breweries are a fast growing industry sector in PA. One key to success is learning how to operate them in a way that will save money while reducing their environmental footprint.

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When: December 8th

at 1:00pm.

[Register to Attend](#)

- [Preparing Permit Applications and Plans](#)

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