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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

Residual Waste Brochure for Small Businesses

Are you confused about residual waste and how it applies to your small business? EMAP recently published a helpful brochure, *EMAP Answers Questions about Residual Waste in Pennsylvania - What Do Small Businesses Need to Know?*

[Download](#) a copy of the brochure.

DEP Launches New Online eComment System

DEP has recently launched a new online comment system which allows the public to more easily access Technical Guidance Documents and other policy-related proposals open for comment. [Click Here](#) to view and use the new system.

Regulatory Updates

Total Coliform Rule: New Requirements for Businesses Served by Well Water

As part of the Revised Total Coliform Rule, there are new requirements for public water supplies which will impact small businesses that are served by well water. Requirements go into effect April 1, 2016. [CLICK HERE](#) to learn more.

Definition of Solid Waste (DSW) Rule

The EPA finalized new safeguards that promote responsible hazardous secondary materials recycling. The [2015 final rule](#) modifies the EPA's 2008 Definition of Solid Waste (DSW) rule and went into effect in Pennsylvania July 13, 2015.

For more information, [CLICK HERE](#).

Funding Opportunities

DEP Small Business Advantage Grant

The DEP Small Business Advantage Grant program is now open. 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



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DEP Air Quality Monitoring

DEP maintains a network of ambient air quality monitoring stations throughout Pennsylvania.

[CLICK HERE](#) to view the data.



EMAP Resources for Small Businesses

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energy efficient or pollution prevention equipment or processes. [CLICK HERE](#) for more information.

DEP Alternative Fuels Incentive Grant Program

The program provides rebates to consumers for the purchase of new plug-in hybrid, plug-in electric, natural gas, propane and hydrogen fuel cell vehicles. Rebates of \$2,000 will be offered for PHEVs and EVs (battery system capacity equal/greater than 10 kWh) until 250 rebates are disbursed or December 31st, 2015, whichever occurs first. [CLICK HERE](#) to learn more.

CFA Energy Funding

The Commonwealth Financing Authority is now accepting applications for energy-related programs-- the High Performance Building Program and Renewable Energy Program. Applications are due September 9 for action by the Authority on November 10. For more information, see [CFA's energy webpage](#).

EPA SBIR Funding

[EPA's 2015-2016 Small Business Innovation Research \(SBIR\) Program](#) Solicitation is anticipated to open in August 2015. The solicitation will support eligible small businesses in the development and commercialization of innovative environmental technologies.

EPA is hosting an informational webinar August 13, 2015 from 2:00-3:00 pm EDT. [CLICK HERE](#) to Register.

Other Updates

Health & Safety

The [Hazard Communication Standard \(HCS\)](#) is now aligned with the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labeling of Chemicals (GHS). Check the [effective dates](#) for the phased in standards to make sure you are in compliance.

OSHA's [On-site Consultation Program](#) offers free and confidential safety and occupational health advice to small and medium-sized businesses.

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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