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## **Regulatory News**



### First Wave of Hazardous Material Processing Permit Applications Due January 1st

Under the new Massachusetts hazardous material processing regulations in 527 CMR 33, facilities subject to OSHA's Process Safety Management, or EPA's Chemical Accident Prevention rule, must submit a permit application to the local Fire Department by January 1, 2013. Full compliance with the provisions in the OSHA or EPA regulations will largely satisfy the requirements under this new regulation. Applicable facilities must also meet the emergency response plan and coordination requirements under the rule, and submit the plan with to their local fire department. Information about the new rule, including a helpful FAQ section, can be found on the Massachusetts DFS website.

### **EPA Amends Expiration Date of the No Action Assurance for Boilers**

The EPA is extending the March 13, 2012 No Action Assurance deadline for submitting the Notification of Compliance Status regarding initial tune-ups in the final Area Source Boiler rule. The EPA is also amending the expiration date of the No Action Assurance so that it will run until either the final reconsideration rule is issued and becomes effective, or to December 31, 2012. Click here for more information.

### **REMINDER**

#### Greenhouse Gas Emission Verification - Due December 31

If your facility is required to verify its 2011 Greenhouse Gas (GHG) emissions reported to the Massachusetts GHG Registry, you'll want to consider beginning the verification process as soon as possible to ensure compliance with the December 31, 2012 deadline. Information about MassDEP's GHG Reporting Program, including recorded trainings and a Verification Process Checklist, is available on MassDEP's website.

## SAVE THE DATE! Environmental, Health & Safety Fall Seminar Series

This year, Tighe &' Bond's complimentary fall seminars will be held at the following locations:

- October 23rd at the Log Cabin in Holyoke, MA
- November 13th at the Tighe & Bond office in Middletown, CT
- December 4th at the Sheraton Framingham Hotel in Framingham, MA
- December 18th at Pease Golf Course in Portsmouth, NH

Presentations on key environmental, health, and safety topics are from 8:30 AM to 12:00 PM. Although there is no charge for these seminars, we do require pre-registration for planning purposes. You can sign up for either one of these on our <u>website</u>. Hope you can join us!

If you need additional help, contact Doug Stellato at (413) 572-3215 or dastellato@tighebond.com.



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