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## Guidance for Local Enforcing Agencies

Permit Extension Act of 2020 – What to tell inquiring permit applicants

In accordance with the Permit Extension Act signed by Governor Murphy on July 1, the term of certain governmental permits, approvals and deadlines that were due to expire on March 9, 2020, or the specified period following it were extended. Any government approval, including permits granted pursuant to the Uniform Construction Code (UCC) Act, subject to the automatic suspension of the running period of such approval for the COVID-19 extension period must be registered with the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP)\* by October 8, 2020 by using the "request form" at <a href="https://www.nj.gov/dep/pea2020/">https://www.nj.gov/dep/pea2020/</a>.\*\* The running period of any approval not registered by October 8, 2020, shall not be suspended for the COVID-19 extension period. For additional information, please see the Department's notice of this action at 52 N.J.R. 1682(a), which can be found at <a href="https://www.nj.gov/dca/divisions/codes/alerts/covid19.html">https://www.nj.gov/dca/divisions/codes/alerts/covid19.html</a>.

- \* As noted at 52 N.J.R. 1683(a), P.L. 2020, c.53 has charged the DEP as the agency responsible for maintaining the list of ALL permits and approvals.
- \*\* When using DEP's request form, select "Other" under "Permitting Issuing Agency" and specify "NJDCA, UCC" under "Permit Type."

If you require further information, please contact Code Assistance Unit at (609) 984-7609.