STATE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS DIVISION OF CODES AND STANDARDS OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

MANUAL ON ASSESSMENT PROCEDURES 2022 EDITION

A GUIDE TO REPORTING AND FILING OF ODORIZED LPG FOR THE LIQUEFIED PETROLEUM GAS INDUSTRY DOING BUSINESS IN NEW JERSEY

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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR Manual on Assessment Procedures

Introduction

This booklet describes the forms that shall be used in the remittance of funds generated through the Liquefied Petroleum Gas Education and Safety program. The responsibilities of different parties involved in this process are also outlined. These responsibilities are in accordance with the State Statutes 21:1B and rules adopted by the Office of the Director.

Explanation

Under State Statutes title 21:1B, Liquefied Petroleum Gases, legislation was passed by the New Jersey State Legislature. This created the Liquefied Petroleum Gas Education and Safety Board (NJ-LPGESB), which recommends to the Commissioner of Community Affairs programs and projects in some of the following areas.

- Consumer safety awareness and employee safety training
- Development of training and education programs
- Public information and education about safety and other issues associated with the use of LP-Gas
- Amendments to the LP-Gas rules and regulations

The forms included in this booklet are to be used to report assessment payments or odorization activities. It is hoped that this information will answer all the questions about this program, however if any further questions about the assessment process or the NJ-LPGESB is needed, please do not hesitate to call or write the Department of Community Affairs, Division of Codes and Standards, Office of the Director, P.O. Box 821, Trenton, NJ 08625 - 0821, Telephone No. 609-633-6835 / Fax No. 609-943-5159.

Basic Requirements

The Liquefied Petroleum Gas law requires that "the owner of liquefied petroleum gas immediately prior to odorization shall be responsible for the payment of the assessment on the volume of liquefied petroleum gas at the time of import or odorization, whichever is earlier". In most cases, this is the producer (gas plant or refinery), who has sold odorized LP-Gas to their customers (a LP-Gas wholesale or retail marketer) and who in turn takes possession of the odorized product and markets it for sale in New Jersey. Additionally, if unodorized LP-Gas is purchased and taken possession for shipment into New Jersey or for storage and later use or resale, the odorizer is responsible for payment of the assessment at the time it is odorized.

The law created a Board consisting of 11 members: three public members, one member representative from the environmental community, one member representative from a consumer group, five members representative of the liquefied petroleum gas industry and one member of a gas public utility. The law sets the original assessment at 1/15 of 1 cent per gallon of LPG. That fee was increased: to 1/6 of 1 cent (1/15 of a cent plus 1/10 of a cent) or \$.00167 per gallon effective July 1, 2006; by 1/10 of 1 cent to 4/15 or \$.00267 per gallon effective July 1, 2007; by 1/10 of 1 cent to 11/30 or \$.00367 per gallon effective July 1, 2008; by 1/10 of 1 cent to 14/30 or \$.00467 per gallon effective July 1, 2009; and by 1/30 of 1 cent to 1/2 of 1 cent or \$.00500, effective October 6, 2014. Assessment payments are payable to Treasurer State of New Jersey, sent to the Office of the Director and are due no later than the **25**th of the month following the end of the semiannual period (July 25th and January 25th).

Frequently Asked Questions

marketer, then you have no obligations under the law

Q1. Does a marketer who buys unodorized LP-Gas have to pay when he causes it to be odorized?

A1. Yes. The law places the obligation for payment of the assessment on the owner of the product at the time it is odorized. Thus, if you now own unodorized LP-Gas, either by yourself or by a storage cavern, terminal operator or loading rack, either for your own use or for resale to another, then you must pay the assessment to the BCS.

Q2. Does storage cavern, terminal, loading rack operator or exchange cabinet seller have to pay?

A2. Unless a storage cavern, terminal or loading rack operator takes legal title to the product being stored, transported or loaded, he/she has no obligation to collect or pay the assessment. Storage cavern, terminal, loading rack, and exchange cabinet operators are asked by the OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR to report the volumes of product which are odorized at their facility to assist the OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR in its collection process. (See the Odorization Report, Exhibit 6, included in this Manual)

Q3. Does a chemical company or other enduser of unodorized LP-Gas have to pay if he sells odorized LP-Gas to someone else?

A3. Yes. Anyone who owns unodorized LP-Gas and then sells odorized LP-Gas for shipment or resale in New Jersey is responsible for reporting and remitting the assessment on the total volume of NJ shipped LP-Gas at the time it is odorized.

Q4. What are the obligations of a marketer who never owns odorized LP-Gas?

A4. If you always purchase odorized LP-Gas from your supplier, regardless of whether that supplier is a producer, broker, wholesaler or another

Q5. What do I do if I make a mistake and overpay or underpay?

A5. You should immediately contact the OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR staff and report the mistake. If the underpayment was unintentional, you will be asked to correct the report and pay the proper assessment. Underpayments are subject to penalty and interest. If you overpaid, you will be asked for an explanation and an accounting and upon verification of the overpayment, the amount will not be refunded but will be credited against future remittance payments as determined by the OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR.

Q6. What are the penalties for failing to pay the assessment?

A6. The Commissioner of Community Affairs to complete compliance will levy a penalty through the Office of the Director, under Statute 21:1B-5. A successful action for compliance under the law may also require payment by the defendant of the costs incurred by the Commissioner in bringing action.

Q7. What are the penalties for late penalty?

A7. A penalty of 5 percent of the amount due is assessed on all payments received after the due date (due at the end of the semi-annual, and in no case later than the 25th of the following month). If payment is not made within 30 days after the due date, interest will accrue at an annual rate of 12 percent (1% per month).

Q8. What if all my company does is sell exchange cabinets with filled DOT cylinders for shipment into the state for use by resellers?

A8. If you are a retailer marketer-buying product from a wholesaler/broker and you pick up the product at an out-of-state terminal or another type of location,

at the time you cross into New Jersey, you become the title owner and must register and pay the mandatory assessment fee.

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LP-Gas Safety Program Assessment Remittance Report

This information is required for verification of assessments due on sales or import of odorized LP-Gas. Response is required by the rules adopted pursuant to N.J.S.A. 21:1B.

(All forms may be duplicated as needed for reporting OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR assessments. Additional copies of forms are available by calling or writing the Office of the Director office at 609-633-6835.)

Section 1.			
Company Name:			
Mailing Address:			
City: State		Zip Code:	
Contact Telephone No.:	Fax No.: _		
Must be completed		For OFF	ICE OF THE
This report covers the semi-annual period from to, 20		\$ Amt. Received	\$ Amt. Enclosed
Section 2.			
Odorization Point (Name, City & State)	Gallons Odorized	Assessment	Amount Due
		x \$.00500*	
		x \$.00500	
Total amount collected on this page:			
Total amount carried forward from - attached page	es:		
Adjustments / Penalties / Interest (attach explanat	ion):		
Total amount remitted:			\$
• Items are due no later than 25 days after the end of - A 5 percent penalty will be due on payments - Interest of 1 percent per month will be asses * New rate of 1/2 of 1 cent, or \$.00500, effective Octo [] Check here if additional sheets were required to co [] Check here if this report is also intended to serve a	s received after the due ssed on payments overa ober 6, 2014 omplete your remittai	date. due by 30 days or nce report.	· more.
I, the undersigned, hereby certify that I was the owner of odorized or imported into New Jersey and that the inform			
Signature of Corporate Office or Authorized Person	Printed name and t	itle	Date
Make check payable to: Treasurer State of New Jersey. Affairs, Division of Codes and Standards, Office of the Dir			

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LP-Gas Safety Program Assessment Remittance Report (Continuation Page)

This page of pages submi	tted by	
. • •	·	(Company Name)
for the semiannual period from	to	20

Please sign the certification on page 1

Odorization Point (Name, City & State)	Gallons Odorized	Assessment	Amount Due
		x \$.00500 *	
		x \$.00500	
Total amount figured from this page:			

^{*}The new rate of 1/2 of 1 cent, or \$.00500, is effective October 6, 2014.

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LP-GAS ODORIZER OR IMPORTER REGISTRATION FORM

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. regulation of this statu Division of Codes and	te and must register a	nnually v	vith the Dep	artmer	nt of Co	mmunity Affairs,
☐ Company is a first tin	ne odorizer or importer; o	r				
☐ Company is reques registered on	ting subsequent annual (Month/Year)	registra	tion as an	odorize	r or im	porter; previously
Odorizer shall complete odorizer and importer information reported or	shall complete this to this to this form.					
SECTION I (For Odorize	ers and Importers):					
Nam						
Mailing Address				()	-
Cit	State	Zip		•	Teleph	one Number
Contact Person SECTION II (For Odor	izers only):	Title			Т	elephone Number
Odorization Facility Name			Facility Contact	Person		
Physical Address (No P.O. Bo	xes)		Mailing Address	s		
City Stat	e Zip		City	;	State	Zip
County			Area Code		Telepho	one Number
Odorization Facility Name			Facility Contact	Person		
Physical Address (No P.O. Bo	xes)		Mailing Address	S		
City Stat	e Zip		City (State	Zip
County			Area Code	Telephon	e Number	

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LP-GAS LOAD EXEMPTION CERTIFICATE OF LPG DESTINED FOR EXPORT

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 21:1B, deliveries of liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) destined for export to destinations outside the State of New Jersey are exempt from the fee on deliveries of odorized LP-Gas.

I hereby certify that this load o export and will be in continuou				
Tank Manufacturer	Tank Serial No.		Water Capacity	
Under penalties prescribed in am authorized to sign this re complete to the best of my kno	port, and that the			
Net Gallons Delivered		Printed Name		
Product Delivered		Name of Company	1	
Delivery Date		Loading Facility Loading	cation	
Time of Day		Mailing Address of	Company	
Bill of Lading Number		City	State	Zip
Authorized Signature			Title	

RETURN TO:

State of New Jersey Department of Community Affairs Division of Codes and Standards Office of the Director P.O. Box 821 Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0821

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LP-GAS MONTHLY USAGE REPORT

FOR THE PERIOD FROM	то	20
PURCHASER: COMPANY NAME & ADDRESS	TOTAL GALLONS	TOTAL ASSESSMENT (1/12 of one cent per gallon) *
	_	
	_	
TOTALS		
 No LPG sold during this month. * New rate of ½ of one cent, or \$.00500, is effe Assessments are in accordance with Title 21:1B-1 January. 	5 and are due by the 25 th	
Sig	gnature & Title	Date

Company Name & Phone Number

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LP-GAS ASSESSMENT REFUND REQUEST

NAME OF COMPANY		
MAILING ADDRESS		
CITYSTAT	EZIP	
I hereby request a refund in the amount Director. This refund is requested for the	of \$ following reason(s).	from the Office of the
Supporting export and payment document of appropriate supporting export documenta load tickets. Examples of appropriate suppledgers and journal entries tied to export documents.	tion include bills of lading porting payment docume	, shipping manifests and
Under penalty prescribed in N.J.S.A. 21:1B -report and that the information stated herei knowledge.		
RETURN TO: Department of Community Affairs Office of the Director P.O. Box 821	Authorized Signature Printed Name () Area Code	Telephone Number
Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0821		

Date

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LP-GAS ODORIZATION REPORT FOR TERMINAL OPERATORS

The LP Gas Act (N.J.S.A. 21:1B) requires the following information be submitted to assist in verifying sales of odorized LPG. This report must be filed with the Office of the Director and is due by the 25^{th} day of the months of July and January.

ame of Submitter			
ailing Address			
ity	State	Zip Code _	
<u></u>	Private and Conf	·	
Storage cavern, terminal, and loading the 25th of the months of July provided odorizing services and computerize this form if it will aid more space is needed. All information of the space only fund others, responsible for payment of the service of the period from This report is for the period from o This is page 1 of pages. Please use continuation pages if more space.	and January and shall in the volumes of product in submission of the information submitted to the Office to the Office to the assessments required.	dentify the companies for odorized. The submittir mation. Continuation pages Office of the Director will essments submitted by proceed by the LP-Gas Act.	whom they have ng operator may may be added if be kept strictly ducers, marketers
Section 2.	For Directors	Place of Odorization	Gallons Odorized
Odorization Services to:	Use		Gallons Guorized
Odorization Services to:			Gallons Guorizeu
Odorization Services to:			Gallotis Guorizeu
	Use		
Odorization Services to: I, the undersigned, hereby certify that	Use		

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LP-GAS ODORIZATION REPORT FOR TERMINAL OPERATORS

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(Continuation 1 ago)		
This report is for the period from	to	, 20
This is page	of	

Odorization Services to:	For BCS Use	Place of Odorization	Gallons Odorized

PO Box 821 Trenton, NJ 08625-0821 Phone: 609-984-7974 Fax: 609-633-1040

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RE: Compliance to NJ Title 21:1B

Please supply the Office of the Director with the below requested information. Your cooperation is anticipated and appreciated.

	Fax Number
	() -
Please Indicate Name and Title of Own	er or Authorized Officer:
Print Name	Signature of Authorized Official
Title	
Completed this day of	20
Person to contact for follow up information	tion: Name:
Telephone Number	Fax Number
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ease sign and return the attached app	propriate information. LLY AND RESPOND APPROPRIATELY

RE: Compliance to NJ Title 21:1B

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2.	Does your company manufacture liquefied petroleum gas?	
	☐ Yes or ☐ No? (Please check one) If yes, Indicate LP-Gas Type	
	Please Indicate Location of Plant:	
3.	Does your company distribute or sell odorized and non-odorized LP-Gas in New Jersey?	
	☐ Yes or ☐ No? (Please check one)	
	☐ Odorized ☐ Non-odorized ☐ Both	
4.	Do you purchase unodorized LP-Gas and odorize it to sell to resellers, marketers or wholesalers in New Jersey?	
	☐ Yes or ☐ No? (Please check one)	
	☐ Odorized ☐ Non-odorized ☐ Both	
5.	Have all your assessments since July 1, 2001, been remitted to New Jersey?	
	Yes or No? (Please check one) If no, complete Remittance Report and remit payment.	
6.	What methods of transportation do you rely on for receipt of LP-Gas product into your facility?	
	Please Circle All That Apply (a) Common Carrier (b) Own transport or carrier (c) Railcar (d) Both (a) and (b) (e) Marine delivery (f) Not Applicable- Manufacturer/Refinery (g) Other (Please Indicate)	
7.	Does your company maintain LP-Gas storage outside New Jersey for later distribution by your company or to buyers who ship into New Jersey?	
	☐ Yes or ☐ No? (Please check one)	
8.	Does your company maintain LP-Gas storage in New Jersey?	
	☐ Yes or ☐ No? (Please check one)	
9.	Does your company import from outside New Jersey into your facility in New Jersey odorized or non-odorized LP-Gas product for storage and later resale in New Jersey?	
	☐ Yes or ☐ No? (Please check one)	
	☐ Odorized ☐ Non-odorized ☐ Both (Please check one)	