

COMPLIANCE ADVISORY Enforcement Alert

Making You Aware of Anticipated Enforcement Activities

Compliance and Enforcement

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DEP Addresses Need for Additional Solid Waste Collection and Transportation Capacity

Who is affected by this initiative?

Solid waste coordinators, county and municipal staff or officials, waste transporters, disposal facility owner/operators, recycling facilities and other entities involved with waste transportation and disposal within New Jersey.

What is occurring?

The remnants of Tropical Storm Lee coupled with lingering effects of Hurricane Irene have and will continue to exacerbate flooding conditions throughout the state. This has resulted in a significant need for additional waste transportation capability to enable safe and timely disposal of the dramatic increase in waste and debris resulting from these storm events.

What is DEP doing?

The Department is extending its blanket authorization to all New Jersey state, county, or municipal entities for the use of unregistered transportation equipment until CLOSE OF BUSINESS, October 8, 2011. Such equipment must be clearly marked with the name of the state, county or municipal entity.

The Department is also clarifying that licensed commercial solid waste transporters may request temporary authorization for the use of additional unregistered equipment. The Department has updated its emergency debris guidance document to reflect these changes. The updated guidance document is posted on the Department's web site at <u>http://www.nj.gov/dep/dshw/</u> under "Helpful Links" or at <u>http://www.nj.gov/dep/dshw/resource/forms.htm</u>.

What should I do?

Licensed commercial solid waste transporters and state, county, or municipal entities that wish to add vehicles for solid waste transportation purposes and obtain temporary authorization for the use of these unregistered vehicles should:

- 1. Read the updated guidance document at <u>http://www.nj.gov/dep/dshw/</u> under "Helpful Links" or at <u>http://www.nj.gov/dep/dshw/resource/forms.htm</u>.
- 2. To use an unregistered vehicle for waste transport
 - a. Fill out temporary registration form. This form can be found at <u>http://www.nj.gov/dep/dshw/</u> under "Helpful Links" or at <u>http://www.nj.gov/dep/dshw/resource/forms.htm</u>.
 - b. Fax form to DEP (609) 292-4539
 - c. Obtain any approvals in writing

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3. Continue to comply with all other applicable district solid waste management plans and solid waste and recycling regulations found at N.J.A.C. 7:26 et seq., N.J.A.C. 7:26H-1 et seq., and N.J.A.C. 7:26A-1 et seq. respectively.

Whom should I contact with questions?

During Business Hours:

Deborah Pinto or Michael Gage at:

New Jersey Dept. of Environmental Protection Bureau of Solid Waste Enforcement P.O. Box 420 Mail Code 09-01 9 Ewing Street, 2nd Floor Trenton, NJ 08625-0420 <u>Deborah.Pinto@dep.state.nj.us</u> (609)292-6305

Non-Business Hours: 1-877-WARNDEP (1-877-927-6337)

Where can I get more information?

Visit the following sites for additional information regarding this advisory: General NJDEP contact information: <u>http://www.nj.gov/cgi-bin/dep/contactdep.pl</u> Governor Christie's Executive order declaring weather state of emergency: <u>http://www.state.nj.us/infobank/circular/eoindex.htm</u> To comment on this advisory: <u>http://www.nj.gov/dep/enforcement/survey.html</u>

Please note this advisory is intended to be a summary explanation of a department initiative. It does not include all potentially applicable requirements. If you have any questions related to compliance with this initiative, please contact the contact numbers listed above.