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Reminder of Upcoming Deadlines Associated with Recent Changes to the Federal PCB Regulations (SOR/2008-273)

Deadlines for PCB-Containing Equipment in Service

Equipment containing Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCBs) at a concentration equal to or greater than 500 µg/g must be removed from service by December 31, 2009.

Equipment containing PCBs at a concentration less than 500 µg/g, but equal to or greater than 50 µg/g, must also be removed from service by December 31, 2009 if it is located at or within 100 m of a drinking water treatment plant or food or feed processing area, a child care facility, preschool, primary school, secondary school, hospital or senior citizens' care facility. (The December 31, 2009 deadline does not apply to light ballasts or pole-top electrical transformers or their pole-top auxiliary electrical equipment.)

Under certain conditions, an extension (up to December 31, 2014) to the end-of-service deadline may be granted. However, all applications for extensions must be submitted by August 1, 2009.

Deadlines for PCBs in Storage

PCBs or products containing PCBs (at concentrations equal to or greater than 50 µg/g) that were in storage as of September 5, 2008 must be removed for destruction by December 31, 2009.

Effective September 5, 2009, PCBs may not be stored at or within 100 m of a drinking water treatment plant or food or feed processing area, a child care facility, preschool, primary school, secondary school, hospital or senior citizens' care facility.

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Recent Changes to the Transportation of Dangerous Goods Act

Bill C-9, an Act to amend the Transportation of Dangerous Goods Act, 1992, came into effect on June 16, 2009. The amendments give the Act new authority and will allow for the development of new regulations.

Bill C-9 amendments include:

- Enhancements to Emergency Response Assistance Plan (ERAP) programs to allow for a quick and effective response in the event of safety/security incident involving a dangerous good.
- Changes the definition of "importer" to clarify who an importer is;
- Allow shipping records to be used

as evidence to show a dangerous good in a means of containment;

- Make security plans and training mandatory;
- Require appointed persons (e.g. supervisors/managers) to hold transportation security clearance in order to transport dangerous goods;
- Allow the use of security measures and interim orders; and,
- Allow regulations to be created to provide a means of tracking a dangerous good during transport as well as require the reporting of a loss or theft of a dangerous good.

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Small Drinking Water Systems

Owners and Operators should be aware of recent changes to how Small Drinking Water Systems are Regulated

Late last year the *Small Drinking Water Systems* regulation (*O. Reg 319/08*) came in to force. *O. Reg 319/08* supersedes the *Transitional – Small Drinking Water Systems regulation (O. Reg 252/05)*. Enforcement of this regulation now shifts from the Ministry of the Environment to the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care, regulated by the *Health Promotion and Protection Act*, enabling inspections to be conducted by local boards of health.

O.Reg 319/08 is applicable to your business if (i) you own or operate a small drinking water system and (ii) your drinking water system is available to the public and your

water supply is not provided by a municipal drinking water system.

Small drinking water systems may include, but are not limited to, automotive service facilities, cabins, campgrounds, churches, cottages, retail commercial outlets, highway service centres, hotels, marinas, motels, provincial parks, resorts, restaurants and trailer parks.

Public health departments are currently inspecting drinking water systems with the intention of visiting every system in the province. Inspectors are conducting site-specific risk assessments of systems and assessing the need for water testing, treatment and operator training to ensure drinking water provided by these systems is safe for public use.

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Terrapex Registers with New ISO Standard: ISO 9001:2008

In November 2008, the ISO 9001 Standard was updated from 9001:2000 to 9001:2008. This update introduces clarifications to the existing requirements and contains some changes intended to improve consistency with ISO 14001:2004.

As of July 2009, Terrapex has been registered with this new standard, and continues to use this management tool to provide consistent, high quality services to our clients.