

CHAPTER 299K

HAZARDOUS CHEMICAL EMERGENCY, PLANNING
AND RESPONSE

299K.08 Facilities required to comply.

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299K.08 FACILITIES REQUIRED TO COMPLY.

[For text of subds 1 and 2, see M.S.1992]

Subd. 3. Toxic chemical release reporting. (a) Except as provided in paragraph (b), in addition to facilities specified in the federal act, the following facilities shall comply with the toxic chemical release reporting requirements of section 11023 of the federal act and United States Code, title 42, section 13106, to the same extent as facilities that are required by federal law to comply with these requirements: facilities having a two-digit standard industrial classification of 10, 40, 45, or 49; a three-digit standard industrial classification of 806, 807, or 822; or a four-digit standard industrial classification of 5161, 5162, 5169, 7384, 7389 (solvent recovery facilities only), 8734, or 9223.

(b) For the facilities added in this section, the toxic chemical release reporting requirements of section 11023 of the federal act, and sections 115D.07, 115D.08, and 115D.12, do not apply to substances that are associated with or incidental to the combustion of fossil fuels or other fuels for the generation of electricity or the production of steam.

Subd. 4. Exemptions. (a) A person may petition the commission to:

(1) exempt all facilities having a standard industrial classification listed in subdivision 3, or a classification within one of the listed classifications, from the reporting requirements of subdivision 3; or

(2) review a previously granted exemption.

(b) In making a determination on a petition under paragraph (a), the commission shall consider:

(1) the reported or estimated releases and transfers from facilities within the affected classification;

(2) the quality of the data submitted;

(3) the extent to which facilities within the affected classification report no releases or transfers;

(4) the number of reporting facilities in the affected classification;

(5) the percentage of all releases and transfers in the state that are reported by facilities in the affected classification;

(6) hazards to public safety and the environment posed by releases and transfers from facilities in the affected classification; and

(7) other factors identified by the commission.

(c) The commission shall hold at least one public meeting to receive testimony on the petition. The commission shall publish in the State Register notice of granted exemptions. The commission shall report on the status of petitions and exemptions as part of the annual toxic release inventory report.

(d) A facility specified in paragraph (a) that is not within a classification exempted under paragraph (b) and does not release or transfer chemicals subject to reporting under section 11023 of the federal act is exempt from reporting under subdivision 3 if the owner or operator of the facility certifies in writing to the commission that there are no releases or transfers at the facility. The certification must be submitted to the commission by the first reporting date for the facility under the federal act. The facility is exempt from further reporting unless there is a release or transfer from the facility

or there is a change in the facility's standard industrial classification. Facilities that qualify for this exemption shall maintain documentation supporting the exemption and shall provide this documentation at the request of the commission.

History: 1993 c 172 s 81,82

299K.10 ENFORCEMENT.

[For text of subds 1 to 8, see M.S.1992]

Subd. 9. Administrative penalty orders. The commission may issue an order requiring a violation of the federal act to be corrected and administratively assessing monetary penalties. Except in the case of serious or repeated violations, the penalty assessed in the order must be forgiven if the person who is subject to the order corrects the violation before the 31st day after receiving the order. The procedures in section 116.072 must be followed when issuing administrative penalty orders under this subdivision. The maximum amount of an administrative penalty order under this subdivision is \$10,000 for all violations identified in an inspection or a review of compliance.

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