

August 26, 2013

Re: Demolition/Asbestos Notification Requirements

Dear Todd:

This letter outlines a compliance assistance effort we are conducting and our request for your help. It has come to the attention of the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) that many demolition and renovation contractors feel that they are not adequately informed of the Asbestos NESHAP (National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants) notification requirements. We received several suggestions from contractors that the municipal Code Enforcement Officer should at least remind them of the requirement when they apply for their local demolition permit.

As per the Asbestos NESHAP regulation, all demolition contractors are required to submit an Asbestos Abatement and Demolition/Renovation form to the Pennsylvania DEP and the EPA at least 10 working days before the onset of demolition. The *only* exception to this is when the demolition is *one single-family dwelling* and it's not part of a larger project, such as a road expansion project or another form of commercial development.

Due to the confusion with this regulation, we ask for your help in raising the public's awareness. Included with this letter is a copy of the Asbestos Notification Form with instructions for filing and an Asbestos Fact Sheet. Also included is an 8.5" x 11" poster, which we request you hang in a visible area where contractors acquire their zoning or demolition permits.

If you have any comments or questions on the asbestos notification process you may contact District Supervisor(s) Keith Gratzmiller (Armstrong, Beaver, Greene and Washington counties) at 412-442-5214 or Tim Kuntz (Indiana, Westmoreland, Fayette, Cambria and Somerset counties) at 724-925-5418.

Thank you for your assistance with this matter.

Sincerely,

Brian Schimmel Legislative Liaison

Southwest Regional Office

Oklahoma Borough

REQUESTING INFORMATION UNDER THE RIGHT-TO-KNOW LAW

To request records under the RTKL, you may file a request with this Agency's Open Records Officer:

Alecia Sherbondy,

Oklahoma Borough

170 Thorn Street

Apollo, PA 15613

Phone: 724-567-5727

Email: oklaboro@verizon.net Website: None

To challenge this Agency's response, you may file an appeal within 15 business days with:

Erik Arneson, Executive Director

Office of Open Records

333 Market Street, 16th Floor, Harrisburg, PA 17101-2234

Phone: (717) 346-9903 Fax: (717) 425-5343

Email: openrecords@pa.gov Website: http://openrecords.pa.gov

When a request is denied as seeking exempt criminal investigative records of a local agency, appeals may be filed within 15 business days of the agency's response with:

Westmoreland County District Attorney's Office

2 North Main Street; Suite 206

Greensburg, PA 15601

Phone: 724-830-3949 Fax: 724-830-3290

Website: https://www.co.westmoreland.pa.us/304/District-Attorney

In compliance with Section 504 of the RTKL, the following documents have also been posted at this Agency:

- A form which may be used to file a request.
- This Agency's policy relating to the RTKL

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For more information contact:

Westmoreland County

Department of Planning and Community Development

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Qualifications for the program:

- Was your home built before 1978?
- Does your household's annual income fall at or below the maximum income guidelines?
- Does a child under the age of 6 live with you or visit your home at least 6 hours per week?
- Does a pregnant woman live in your household?

2021 INCOME GUIDELINES

# persons living in household	Max. household income per year
1	\$47,500
2	\$54,300
3	\$61,100
4	\$67,850
5	\$73,300
6	\$78,750
7	\$84,150
8	\$89,600