

State of Ohio
Environmental Protection Agency

PUBLIC NOTICE

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Request for Comment on Draft Rules

Notice is hereby given that the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency, Division of Drinking and Ground Waters (DDAGW) is proposing revisions to Chapter 84 of the Ohio Administrative Code (OAC), which sets forth the requirements for public water system licenses. The draft rules are, in part, a result of the five year rule review requirements of Section 119.032 of the Revised Code.

The division is proposing to rescind rule 3745-84-01 of the OAC and replace it with new draft rules 3745-84-01 through 3745-84-06. These draft rules will establish conditions and procedures for conditioning, suspending, revoking or denying a license to operate. License applicants will be required to supply information with regard to the legal owner, lessee, financial contact and operator of record. The draft rules also establish requirements to notify the public of the water system's license status by displaying the license on site and for notification of their license status to be in the consumer confidence report.

As part of the rule-making process, the Agency is required by Section 121.39 of the Ohio Revised Code to consult with organizations that represent political subdivisions, environmental interests, business interests, and others affected by the rules. The Agency is offering you and your organization the opportunity to comment on these rules before the division adopts them.

To obtain a copy of the proposed rules, contact Donna Roberts at Ohio EPA at (614) 644-2755 or email at donna.roberts@epa.state.oh.us or write to "Ohio Environmental Protection Agency, Division of Drinking and Ground Waters, P.O. Box 1049, Lazarus Government Center, Columbus, Ohio 43216-1049, Attn: Donna Roberts". Please request the "draft public water system license rules" and be sure to include your name, telephone number, and complete mailing address. There is no charge to receive a copy of these draft rules. The draft rules will be available on the Agency web page until their adoption or withdrawal. The address is:
<http://www.epa.state.oh.us/ddagw/oac.html#drafrules>.

Questions concerning these draft rules, other than obtaining copies of the proposed rules, may be addressed to Susan Baughman at the above address or by phone at (614) 644-2752. Comments can be submitted in hard copy to the following address: "Ohio Environmental Protection Agency, Division of Drinking and Ground Waters, P.O. Box 1049, Lazarus Government Center, Columbus, Ohio 43216-1049, Attn: Susan Baughman" or by email to ddagw_rulecomments@epa.state.oh.us. Comments should be received at the above address by close of business September 12, 2008.