



Draft Technical Guidance Document:

Guidelines for the Preparation of a Contingency Plan for the Transportation of Residual Waste

Solid Waste Advisory Committee

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Summary

- Title: Guidelines for the Preparation of a Contingency Plan for the Transportation of Residual Waste
- Document Number: 254-5900-002
- Provides explicit instruction regarding the portions of required, existing environmental emergency response plans to place on each vehicle, which will minimize potential harm to public health, safety, welfare and the environment.

Regulatory Requirements

Established in accordance with:

- Act 97 of 1980, the Solid Waste Management Act
- Act 90 of 2002, the Waste Transportation Safety Act
- Title 25, Chapter 299, Subchapter B, 201 to 219

Purpose/Intent

- Describe the process by which transporters of residual waste may comply with the DEP's Rules and Regulations as they develop and implement a Transporter's Contingency Plan to address emergencies affecting the environment, public health, safety, and welfare, resulting from an incident that occurs while transporting residual waste.

Purpose/Intent, continued

- Provide information and direction to the driver during an emergency.
- The contingency plan is the transporter's written assurance that emergency response activities will be conducted in an acceptable manner in the event of an incident.



Overtuned Tanker Spill Shuts Down Portion of Pennsylvania Turnpike In Montgomery County, CBS News, Feb. 17, 2022

Applicability

Guidance is applicable to transporters that transport residual waste:

1. to a processing or disposal facility via vehicles including rail or sea intermodal containers;
2. by renting or leasing vehicles for a short term; or
3. by utilizing vehicles for temporary storage.

Transporters solely of municipal waste are also encouraged to develop and implement a Transporter's Contingency Plan.

Applicability, continued

- Guidelines apply to the transportation of residual waste, not generation, storage, treatment, transfer, composting, incineration, processing, or disposal of residual waste.
- Pollution Incident Prevention (PIP) Plans, prepared in conjunction with the DEP's Water Quality Management program or other previously prepared emergency and prevention plans, may already encompass some of the basic contingency plan elements, but are not acceptable as a Transporter's Contingency Plan.

➤ Impact to Regulated Community

Impact is expected to be minimal as affected organizations are already required to have contingency plans.

Input

Central Office

Requested and received input from legal, program development, and the bureau of waste management.

Regional

Requested and received comments from the Regions, including that anyone transporting waste should have a contingency plan.

Next Steps

- After considering input from members of SWAC, TGD will be checked for formatting by document services and routed for public comment as a draft TGD.
- After receiving public comment, a comment response document will be prepared.
- After necessary changes have been incorporated, final TGD will be routed for publication.



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