259.482f.added Meteorological tower; requirements; database of locations; information to be provided by owner; marking; removal.

Sec. 2f. (1) A meteorological tower that is 50 feet in height above the ground or higher and the appearance of which is not otherwise regulated by state or federal law must comply with all of the following:

(a) The tower must be painted in equal, alternating bands of orange and white, beginning with orange at the top of the tower and ending with orange at the bottom of the tower.

(b) The tower must have 1 or more 7-foot safety sleeves placed at each anchor point that extend from the anchor point along each guy wire attached to the anchor point.

(c) The tower must have at least 1 orange marker ball attached to each guy wire at the highest point that does not affect the stability of the tower and the measurement of wind speed.

(2) The commission may establish, maintain, and publish a database that contains locations of all existing meteorological towers.

(3) Within 60 days after the effective date of this section, an owner of any existing meteorological tower erected in this state shall provide the commission with all of the following:

(a) The global positioning system coordinates of the center of the meteorological tower.

(b) The elevation of the site, in feet.

(c) The structure's height above ground level, in feet.

(d) The owner's or lessee's name, address, telephone number, and electronic mail address, if any.

(e) The name of any owner's representative.

(4) Within 1 year after the effective date of this section, an owner of an existing meteorological tower erected in this state shall mark the tower as required by subsection (1).

(5) Ten days or more before the erection of a new meteorological tower, an owner of the tower shall provide to the commission the information required under subsection (3) and certification by the owner that the tower has been marked in accordance with this section.

(6) Within 10 days after the removal of a meteorological tower, an owner of the tower shall notify the commission of the removal.