NATURAL RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ACT (EXCERPT)
Act 451 of 1994

324.11110 State hazardous waste management plan; preparation; contents; studies; incentives; criteria; notice; news release; public hearings; comments; amendments.

Sec. 11110. (1) Not later than January 1, 1990, the department shall prepare an updated state hazardous waste management plan.

(2) The updated plan shall:
   (a) Update the state hazardous waste management plan adopted by the commission on January 15, 1982.
   (b) Be based upon location of generators, health and safety, economics of transporting, type of waste, and existing treatment, storage, or disposal facilities.
   (c) Include information generated by the department of commerce and the department on hazardous waste capacity needs in the state.
   (d) Include information provided by the office of waste reduction created in part 143.
   (e) Plan for the availability of hazardous waste treatment or disposal facilities that have adequate capacity for the destruction, treatment, or secure disposition of all hazardous wastes that are reasonably expected to be generated within the state during the 20-year period after October 1, 1988, as is described in section 104(c)(9)(A) of title I of the comprehensive environmental response, compensation, and liability act of 1980, Public Law 96-510, 42 U.S.C. 9604.
   (f) Plan for a reasonable geographic distribution of treatment, storage, and disposal facilities to meet existing and future needs, including proposing criteria for determining acceptable locations for these facilities. The criteria shall include a consideration of a location's geology, geography, demography, waste generation patterns, along with environmental factors, public health factors, and other relevant characteristics as determined by the department.
   (g) Emphasize a shift away from the practice of landfilling hazardous waste and toward the in-plant reduction of hazardous waste and the recycling and treatment of hazardous waste.
   (h) Include necessary legislative, administrative, and economic mechanisms, and a timetable to carry out the plan.

(3) The department shall instruct the office of waste reduction created in part 143 to complete studies as considered necessary for the completion of the updated plan. The studies may include:
   (a) An inventory and evaluation of the sources of hazardous waste generation within this state or from other states, including the types, quantities, and chemical and physical characteristics of the hazardous waste.
   (b) An inventory and evaluation of current hazardous waste management, minimization, or reduction practices and costs, including treatment, disposal, on-site recycling, reclamation, and other forms of source reduction within this state.
   (c) A projection or determination of future hazardous waste management needs based on an evaluation of existing capacities, treatment or disposal capabilities, manufacturing activity, limitations, and constraints. Projection of needs shall consider the types and sizes of treatment, storage, or disposal facilities, general locations within the state, management control systems, and an identified need for a state owned treatment, storage, or disposal facility.
   (d) An investigation and analysis of methods, incentives, or technologies for source reduction, reuse, recycling, or recovery of potentially hazardous waste and a strategy for encouraging the utilization or reduction of hazardous waste.
   (e) An investigation and analysis of methods and incentives to encourage interstate and international cooperation in the management of hazardous waste.
   (f) An estimate of the public and private cost of treating, storing, or disposing of hazardous waste.
   (g) An investigation and analysis of alternate methods for treatment and disposal of hazardous waste.

(4) If the department finds in preparing the updated plan that there is a need for additional treatment or disposal facilities in the state, then the department shall identify incentives the state could offer that would encourage the construction and operation of additional treatment or disposal facilities in the state that are consistent with the updated plan. The department shall propose criteria which could be used in evaluating applicants for the incentives.

(5) Upon completion of the updated plan, the department shall publish a notice in a number of newspapers having major circulation within the state as determined by the department and shall issue a statewide news release announcing the availability of the updated plan for inspection or purchase at cost by interested persons. The announcement shall indicate where and how the updated plan may be obtained or reviewed and shall indicate that not less than 6 public hearings shall be conducted at varying locations in the state before formal adoption. The first public hearing shall not be held until 60 days have elapsed from the date of the
notice announcing the availability of the updated plan. The remaining public hearings shall be held within 120
days after the first public hearing at approximately equal time intervals.

(6) After the public hearings, the department shall prepare a written summary of the comments received,
provide comments on the major concerns raised, make amendments to the updated plan, and determine
whether the updated plan should be adopted.


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