

**MISSISSIPPI COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
NOTICE OF FINAL RULEMAKING**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on March 26, 2026, the Mississippi Commission on Environmental Quality (Commission) voted to amend the State of Mississippi's "Regulations for the Accreditation and Certification of Asbestos Abatement Personnel," 11 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 2, Ch. 10. ("Chapter 10"). The action is reflected in Commission Order 7676-26.

I. Substance of the aforementioned action.

The Asbestos Abatement Accreditation and Certification Act ("Act") was amended during the 2025 legislative session to closely align with the EPA regulations and to increase the ease of obtaining certification. The amendments to the Mississippi's "Regulations for the Accreditation and Certification of Asbestos Abatement Personnel" incorporate the changes to the Act and align it with other MDEQ regulations. These amendments will affect individuals that conduct asbestos abatement activities in the State of Mississippi.

II. Manner by Which the Public May Comment.

In accordance with Miss. Code Ann. § 49-17-41, within thirty (30) days of the date of the Order, any interested person may request that a hearing be conducted regarding the issuance of this Order. Such a request must be made either in writing to the attention of Mr. Chris Wells, Executive Director, Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality, P.O. Box 2261, Jackson, Mississippi 39225 or emailed to cwells@mdeq.ms.gov.

III. Additional Information.

The information in this notice, the regulations, the Order reflecting the Commission's action, and additional information may be found at the following website, www.mdeq.ms.gov/air. If you have any questions, you may also contact Mr. Dennis Kelly at (601) 961-5630 or dkelly@mdeq.ms.gov. Please bring the foregoing to the attention of persons whom you know will be interested.