Rule Summary and Fiscal Analysis Part A - General Questions

Rule Number: 3737-1-19

Rule Type: Amendment

Rule Title/Tagline: Establishing fund eligibility for third-party claims.

Agency Name: Petroleum Underground Storage Tank Release Compensation Board

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I. Rule Summary

- 1. Is this a five year rule review? No
 - A. What is the rule's five year review date? 7/31/2019
- 2. Is this rule the result of recent legislation? No
- 3. What statute is this rule being promulgated under? 119.03
- 4. What statute(s) grant rule writing authority? 3737.90
- 5. What statute(s) does the rule implement or amplify? 3737.92
- 6. What are the reasons for proposing the rule?

The proposed rule amendment is being filed to incorporate the new term "release incident".

7. Summarize the rule's content, and if this is an amended rule, also summarize the rule's changes.

The rule sets forth the requirements for the filing for and determination of eligibility to file claims under the Fund for compensation paid or anticipated to be paid to a third party for the costs of bodily injury or property damage resulting from an accidental release of petroleum from an assured UST.

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The proposed amendments to paragraphs (A)(2), (A)(3), and (A)(8) replace the language "suspected release or release, whichever is first" with the new term "release incident." Paragraph (A)(7) is being updated to include the "confirmed release" reporting requirement of the fire marshal's rule 1301:7-9-13.

- 8. Does the rule incorporate material by reference? No
- 9. If the rule incorporates material by reference and the agency claims the material is exempt pursuant to R.C. 121.71 to 121.76, please explain the basis for the exemption and how an individual can find the referenced material.

Not Applicable

10. If revising or re-filing the rule, please indicate the changes made in the revised or re-filed version of the rule.

Not Applicable

II. Fiscal Analysis

11. As a result of this proposed rule, please estimate the increase / decrease in revenues or expenditures affecting this agency, or the state generally, in the current biennium or future years. If the proposed rule is likely to have a different fiscal effect in future years, please describe the expected difference and operation.

This will have no impact on revenues or expenditures.

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Not Applicable.

12. What are the estimated costs of compliance for all persons and/or organizations directly affected by the rule?

Not Applicable.

- 13. Does the rule increase local government costs? (If yes, you must complete an RSFA Part B). No
- 14. Does the rule regulate environmental protection? (If yes, you must complete an RSFA Part C). No

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III. Common Sense Initiative (CSI) Questions

- 15. Was this rule filed with the Common Sense Initiative Office? Yes
- 16. Does this rule have an adverse impact on business? Yes
 - A. Does this rule require a license, permit, or any other prior authorization to engage in or operate a line of business? No
 - B. Does this rule impose a criminal penalty, a civil penalty, or another sanction, or create a cause of action, for failure to comply with its terms? No
 - C. Does this rule require specific expenditures or the report of information as a condition of compliance? Yes

The rule requires the responsible person to submit a Third-Party Claim Eligibility Application in order to receive a determination of eligibility to file claims under the Fund for costs associated with bodily injury or property damages a third-party experiences as a result of an accidental release of petroleum from the responsible person's USTs. The application must be submitted to the Board within 30 days from the date a responsible person receives any of the following: service of a third-party complaint against the responsible person; receipt of a third-party demand for settlement; or notice of representation of a third party in a lawsuit against the responsible person. It requires administrative time and minimal costs in order to provide the information required in the application.