



Ohio Administrative Code

Rule 3737-1-05 Supplemental petroleum underground storage tank financial assurance fee.

Effective: November 30, 2009

(A) In any fiscal year in which the board finds that the unobligated balance in the financial assurance fund is less than fifteen million dollars, the board may assess a supplemental fee for each tank comprising an underground storage tank or an underground storage tank system that contains or has contained petroleum and for which a responsible person is required to demonstrate financial responsibility.

(B) The basis for the calculation of the supplemental fee will include but will not be limited to the amount needed to meet financial soundness objectives set forth in division (C) of section 3737.91 of the Revised Code.

(C) The director of the fund shall notify each responsible person of the supplemental fee no less than thirty days before the date on which the supplemental fee is due.

(D) The supplemental fee is due no later than thirty days from the date of the notification. In the event a responsible person fails to pay the fee within the thirty-day period set forth in this rule, the director of the fund shall notify the responsible person of the non-payment. If the responsible person fails to submit the supplemental fee within thirty days after the notification of non-payment has been mailed, the director of the fund shall issue an order by certified mail directing the responsible person to pay the supplemental fee and a late fee of up to one thousand dollars per tank. If the responsible person fails to comply with the order within thirty days after the issuance of the order, the director shall notify the fire marshal of the non-compliance and may request the attorney general to bring an action for appropriate relief.

(E) The director shall revoke the certificate of coverage upon the failure to pay the supplemental fee.

(F) In the event that a new tank is placed in service after July first of the year in which the supplemental fee is imposed, the director shall notify the responsible person by certified mail of the assessment of the fee. The responsible person shall tender the fee assessed no later than thirty days



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(G) A responsible person may file with the board written objections to the order of the director no later than thirty days from the mailing of the order. The board, upon receipt of the objections, shall appoint a referee to conduct an adjudication hearing in accordance with section 119.09 of the Revised Code.