R13. Administrative Services, Administration.
R13-1. Public Petitions for Declaratory Orders.
R13-1-1. Purpose.

(1) As required by Section 63G-4-503, this rule provides the procedures for submission, review, and disposition of petitions for agency declaratory orders on the applicability of statutes, rules, and orders governing or issued by the agency.

(2) In order of importance, procedures governing declaratory orders are:

(a) procedures specified in this rule pursuant to Title 63G, Chapter 4;

(b) the applicable procedures of Title 63G, Chapter 4;

(c) applicable procedures of other governing state and federal law; and

(d) the Utah Rules of Civil Procedure.

R13-1-2. Definitions.

Terms used in this rule are defined in Section 63G-4-103, except and in addition:

(a) "agency" means the pertinent division or office of the Department of Administrative Services;

(b) "applicability" means a determination if a statute, rule, or order should be applied, and if so, how the law stated should be applied to the facts;

(c) "declaratory order" means an administrative interpretation or explanation of rights, status, and other legal relations under a statute, rule, or order;

(d) "director" means the agency head or governing body with jurisdiction over the agency's adjudicative proceedings;

(e) "order" is defined in Section 63G-3-102; and

(f) "superior agency" means the Executive Director's Office of the Department of Administrative Services.

R13-1-3. Petition Form and Filing.

(1) The petition, or request for agency action, shall be addressed and delivered to the director, who shall mark the petition with the date of receipt.

(2) The petition shall:

(a) be clearly designated as a request for an agency declaratory order;

(b) identify the statute, rule, or order to be reviewed;

(c) describe in detail the situation or circumstances in which applicability is to be reviewed;

(d) describe the reason or need for the applicability review, addressing, in particular, why the review should not be considered frivolous;

(e) include an address and telephone where the petitioner can be contacted during regular work days;

(f) declare whether the petitioner has participated in a completed or on-going adjudicative proceeding concerning the same issue within the past 12 months; and

(g) be signed by the petitioner.

R13-1-4. Reviewability.

The agency may not review a petition for declaratory orders that is:

(a) not within the jurisdiction and competence of the agency;

(b) trivial, irrelevant, or immaterial; or

(c) otherwise prohibited by state or federal law.

R13-1-5. Intervention.

A person may file a petition for intervention under Section 63G-4-207 if delivered to the director within 20 days of the director's receipt of the declaratory order petition filed under Section R13-1-3.

R13-1-6. Petition Review and Disposition.

(1) The director shall promptly review and consider the petition and may:

(a) meet with the petitioner;

(b) consult with counsel or the Attorney General; and

(c) take any action consistent with law that the agency deems necessary to provide the petition adequate review and due consideration.

(2) The director may issue an order pursuant to Subsection 63G-4-503(6).

(3) If the director orders an adjudicative proceeding under Subsection 63G-4-503(6):

(a) the proceeding shall be formal and governed by the procedures of Title 63G, Chapter 4 or other applicable law if a petition for intervention has been filed within the limits of Section R13-1-5; and

(b) shall be designated as informal and follow the appropriate procedures of Title 63G, Chapter 4, agency rules, or other applicable law, if a petition for intervention has not been filed within the limits of Section R13-1-5.

R13-1-7. Administrative Review.

A petitioner may seek review or reconsideration of a declaratory order by petitioning the director under the procedures of Sections 63G-4-301 and 63G-4-302.

(a) If the presiding officer issuing the declaratory order is the director, the petitioner may seek the review of the superior agency.

(b) The petitioner may appeal a director's review or reconsideration decision to the superior agency.

(c) If the petitioner receives no response from the superior agency within 20 days of filing a petition for review or reconsideration, the appeal shall be considered denied.

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R23. Administrative Services, Facilities Construction and Management.
R23-22. General Procedures for Acquisition and Selling of Real Property.
R23-22-1. Purpose.

This rule defines the procedures of the Division of Facilities Construction and Management for acquisition and selling of real property.

R23-22-2. Authority.

This rule is authorized under Subsection 63A-5-103(1)(e), which directs the Building Board to make rules necessary for the discharge of the duties of the Division of Facilities Construction and Management (hereinafter referred to as the "Division") as well as pursuant to H.B. 354 of the 2008 General Session of the Utah Legislature.

R23-22-3. Policy.

It is the general policy of the Board that, except as otherwise allowed by the Utah Code, the Division shall buy, sell or exchange real property in accordance with this Rule to ensure that the value of the real property is congruent with the proposed price and other terms of the purchase, sale or exchange.

R23-22-4. Scope of This Rule.

This Rule shall apply to all purchases, sales, donations and exchanges of DFCM, as applicable in this Rule, except as otherwise allowed by the Utah Code. The requirements of this Rule shall also not apply to a contract or other written agreement prior to May 5, 2008; or to any contract or to any purchase, sale or exchange of real property where the value is determined to be less than $100,000 as estimated by DFCM.

R23-22-5. Requirements for Purchase or Exchanges of Real Property.

DFCM shall comply with the following in regard to the purchase or exchange of real property that is subject to this Rule:

(1) DFCM must find that all necessary approvals have been obtained from State and other applicable authorities. DFCM will assist other State agencies in obtaining these approvals when it is deemed by DFCM to be in the interest of the State.

(2) DFCM shall coordinate as required any necessary financing requirements through the State Building Ownership Authority, or other relevant bonding authority, as authorized by the Legislature.

(3) DFCM shall assist other State agencies in accordance with DFCM's governing statutes, through financial analysis and other appropriate means, in selecting the appropriate or particular real property to be purchased and/or exchanged.

(4) DFCM shall, in accordance with DFCM's governing statutes, negotiate, draft and execute the applicable Real Estate Contract with due consideration to the State agency's comments. The State agency may be required by DFCM to be a signatory to the Contract.

(5) DFCM shall obtain and review the following documents when such is determined by DFCM to be customary in the industry for the size and type of transaction or if required by another provision of this Rule or State law:

a. title insurance commitment;
b. an environmental assessment;
c. an engineering assessment;
d. a code review;
e. an appraisal;
f. an analysis of past maintenance and operational expenses, when available and relevant;
g. the situs, zoning and planning information;
h. an ALTA land survey; and
i. other requirements determined necessary by DFCM, this Rule or State law.

(6) DFCM shall review, approve and execute when in the interest of the State, closing documents as prepared by the selected title company.

(7) DFCM may use boiler plate documents approved as to form by the Utah Attorney General or shall consult with the Utah Attorney General regarding provisions of the sale or significant changes to the boiler plate documents approved as to the form by the Utah Attorney General.

(8) DFCM shall endeavor to monitor the distribution of closing documents.

R23-22-6. Additional Requirements Regarding R23-22-5(5).

DFCM shall comply with the provisions below. None of the provisions below shall restrict the Director from requiring or not requiring any of the following if in the Director's opinion such is advantageous to the State or if such is required or allowed by State law:

(1) Title insurance commitment. The following applies to real property that may become State property by purchase, donation or exchange: DFCM shall obtain an Owner's Policy of Title Insurance for real property valued by DFCM at $500,000 or above. For real property valued by DFCM at less than $500,000, DFCM shall obtain a title report and may obtain an Owner's Policy of Title Insurance if, in the judgment of DFCM, title insurance is advantageous to the State.

(2) Phase I Environmental Assessment or Greater. The following applies to real property that may become State property by purchase, donation or exchange: A Phase I or greater Environmental Assessment may be required by DFCM prior to a purchase or exchange of real property when the property considered to become State property has a use and/or occupancy history which in the opinion of DFCM indicates the possibility of environmental issues that would materially affect the DFCM's purchase of the property or the State agency's use of the property.

(3) Engineering Assessment. The following applies to real property that may become State property by purchase, donation or exchange: For all improved real property valued by DFCM at $250,000 or above, DFCM shall obtain an engineering assessment of mechanical systems and structural integrity of improvements located on the property. An engineering assessment may be waived by the DFCM Director if an engineering assessment has already been performed within the past 12 months or if the land is unimproved. The State may perform an engineering assessment for real property valued at less than $250,000 if, in the judgment of the Director, such an assessment is advantageous to the State.

(4) Code and Requirements Review. DFCM shall review the real property that may potentially become State property through purchase, donation or exchange to ascertain its suitability under all applicable codes and requirements, including any applicable provisions of State law.

(5) Appraisal. For real property that may potentially become State property through purchase or exchange, the State shall arrive at a fair market valuation of the property prior to purchase that is agreeable to the seller and the State. The fair market value determination used by DFCM in the negotiation shall be based upon an appraisal completed by an appraiser that specializes in the type of the subject real property and is a state-certified general appraiser under Section 61-2B-2 or by a State of Utah licensed MAI appraiser who also has such a certificate, except as follows:

(a) When this rule is not applicable under its scope;

(b) When State law otherwise provides that DFCM does not have to use fair market value; or

(c) When the Director has determined by a writing filed with DFCM, that the cost of obtaining the appraisal is not

justified in the economic interest of the State of Utah.

(6) Past maintenance and operational expenses. DFCM shall endeavor to obtain, past maintenance and operational expense histories attached to any real property that may be acquired by the State, including real property that is acquired by purchase, donation or exchange, unless it is determined by the Director that the obtaining of such records is not justified in the economic interest of the State of Utah.

(7) Situs, zoning and planning information. DFCM shall endeavor to obtain preexisting situs, zoning and planning information regarding the real property that may be acquired by purchase, donation or exchange when required by State law, or if the Director determines that the obtaining of such information is advantageous to the State.

(8) ALTA land survey. For all real property acquired by DFCM through purchase, donation or exchange, and the property to become State property is valued by DFCM at $250,000 or above, DFCM shall obtain an ALTA/ACSM Land Title Survey, current revision, of the subject property. An ALTA survey shall not be required if an ALTA survey has already been performed within the past 12 months unless otherwise determined by the Director. The State may perform an ALTA survey for real property valued less than $250,000 if the Director determines that such a survey is in the interest of the State.

R23-22-6. Requirements for the Disposition of Real Property by DFCM.

In addition to the policy of R23-22-3, it is the policy of this Board to efficiently and economically dispose of real property that is determined by DFCM or the State to be surplus in accordance with State law. In accordance with State law, DFCM may recommend to the Board that certain real property be declared as surplus. After the appropriate determination is made that the real property is surplus, then DFCM shall endeavor to sell the surplus real property on the open market, unless such property is to be conveyed to another State agency or public entity in accordance with Utah law. If there is such a sale, it shall be as follows:

(1) DFCM shall confirm that all necessary approvals have been sought for the declaration of surplus property.

(2) Unless otherwise allowed by State law, DFCM shall obtain at least fair market value for the real property to be sold. This shall be accomplished by the following:

(a) DFCM shall determine a fair market valuation of the property prior to the offer for sale. The fair market value determination used by DFCM in offer for sale shall be based upon an appraisal completed by an appraiser that specializes in the type of the subject real property and is a state-certified general appraiser under Section 61-2B-2, or by a Utah licensed MAI appraiser who also has such a certificate, except as follows:

(i) When this rule is not applicable under its scope;

(ii) When State law otherwise provides that DFCM does not have to use fair market value; or

(iii) When the Director has determined by a writing filed with DFCM, that the cost of obtaining the appraisal is not justified in the economic interest of the State of Utah.

(b) DFCM shall establish a listing price based on the appraisal obtained under this Rule or, if there is no appraisal based on the above, based upon DFCM's knowledge of prevailing market conditions and other circumstances customarily used in the industry for such sales.

(c) DFCM shall advertise the property for sale in such a manner that is commercially reasonable in the discretion of the Director. DFCM may set a time deadline for the submission of bids for the real property based upon the economic conditions at the time of the sale.

(d) DFCM shall endeavor to enter into a contract for sale to the highest reasonable bidder, unless the DFCM Director files a written justification statement as to why a lower bidder is more advantageous to the State or if there is a sole bidder, that such bid is unreasonable. If after a reasonable timeline set by the Director of public advertisement, no acceptable bid is submitted, then DFCM may sell the property through a private negotiated sale, provided that any sale below the fair market value initially established by DFCM for the subject property is accompanied by a written justification statement filed by the Director and a copy of which is provided to the Board prior to execution of the contract for sale.

(e) DFCM shall, in accordance with DFCM's governing statutes, negotiate, draft and execute the applicable Real Estate Contract, with due consideration to the comments of the affected State agency. The affected State agency may be required by DFCM to be a signatory to the Contract.

(f) DFCM shall review, approve, and execute when appropriate, closing documents as prepared by the selected title company.

(g) DFCM may use boiler plate documents approved as to form by the Utah Attorney General or shall consult with the Utah Attorney General regarding provisions of the sale or significant changes to the boiler plate documents approved as to the form by the Utah Attorney General.

(h) DFCM shall endeavor to monitor the distribution of the closing documents.

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R25. Administrative Services, Finance.
R25-8. Overtime Meal Allowance.
R25-8-1. Purpose.

The purpose of this rule is to establish procedures to be followed by departments to pay meal allowances to state employees required to work in excess of regularly scheduled hours during a 24-hour period.

R25-8-2. Authority.

This rule is established pursuant to Subsection 63A-3-103(1), which authorizes the Division of Finance to define fiscal procedures relating to approval and allocation of funds.

R25-8-3. Definitions.

(1) "Overtime Meal allowance" means a sum of money given to state employees to pay for meals which may be authorized when work hours are in excess of regularly scheduled hours during a 24-hour period.

(2) "Department" means all executive departments of state government.

(3) "Finance" means the Division of Finance.

(4) "Policy" means the policies and procedures of the Division of Finance, as published in the "Accounting Policies and Procedures."

(5) "Rate" means an amount of money.

(6) "State employee" means any person who is paid on the state payroll system.

R25-8-4. Allowance.

(1) A state employee required to work in excess of regularly scheduled hours may be authorized by his department to receive a taxable meal allowance up to $10 during a 24-hour period if:

(a) The employee is not on travel status.

(b) The total hours worked during the 24-hour period shall be three hours or more in excess of the regularly scheduled hours.

(c) The allowance is not considered an absolute right of the employee, and is authorized at the discretion of the department head or his designee.

(d) The allowance may not be given in addition to any other meal allowance or per diem.

(e) The Employee Reimbursement/Earnings Request, form FI 48, should be completed and approved for the payment of the meal allowance.

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R25. Administrative Services, Finance.
R25-14. Payment of Attorneys Fees in Death Penalty Cases.
R25-14-1. Authority and Purpose.

(1) This rule is enacted pursuant to Section 78B-9-202.

(2) The purpose of the rule is to establish the procedures for payment of attorneys' fees and litigation expenses by the Division of Finance to legal counsel appointed by courts to represent indigent persons sentenced to death who request representation to file an action under Title 78B, Chapter 9, Post-Conviction Remedies Act.

(3) All payments under this rule are subject to the availability of funds appropriated by the Utah State Legislature for the purpose of making these payments.

(4) This rule applies to fees and expenses incurred on and following the effective date of this rule.

R25-14-2. Request for Payment.

To obtain payment for attorney's fees and litigation expenses, counsel appointed by a court, pursuant to Section 78B-9-202, shall:

(1) Present to the Division of Finance a certified copy of the court order of appointment before or at the time the first request for payment is submitted.

(2) Obtain the court's review and written approval certifying that the fees and expenses were reasonable in accordance with Section 78B-9-202 and this rule.

(3) Submit the court's written approval and a request for payment to the Division of Finance.

(4) The request for payment must verify that the work has been performed as provided by this rule and Section 78B-9-202 and be signed by the appointed counsel. The request for payment must be sufficiently itemized to describe the services performed and such other information as may be reasonably required by the Division of Finance to properly review and process the payment. Original invoices must be submitted for all litigation expenses for which payment is requested.

(5) Before making payment, the Division of Finance may request additional supporting documentation.

(6) The Division of Finance may withhold payment for any item in a request for payment when such item conflicts with this rule or the Post-Conviction Remedies Act pending resolution of the amount requested.

R25-14-3. Scope of Services.

(1) All appointed counsel, by accepting the court appointment to represent an indigent client sentenced to death and by presenting a request for payment to the Division of Finance, agree in accordance with the Post-Conviction Remedies Act to provide all reasonable and necessary post-conviction legal services for the client, and represent the client in all legal proceedings conducted thereafter including, if requested by the client, an appeal to the Utah Supreme Court.

(2) Full compensation for the legal services performed and litigation costs incurred shall be the amounts provided in the Post-Conviction Remedies Act and this rule.

R25-14-4. Schedule of Payments of Attorneys Fees.

(1) The Division of Finance shall pay reasonable attorney fees for appointed counsel up to the maximum rate of $125 per billable hour not to exceed a total amount on $60,000, except as provided in the subsection (2).

(2) The Division of Finance shall pay amounts exceeding the total amount if:

(a) before services were performed, appointed counsel files a request with the court to exceed the total amount allowed by subsection (1);

(b) appointed counsel serves the request upon the Division of Finance before or on the date of filing the request with the court;

(c) the Division of Finance is allowed to respond to the request; and

(d) the court determines there is sufficient cause to exceed the amount in accordance with Section 78B-9-202.

R25-14-5. Payment of Reasonable Litigation Expenses.

The Division of Finance shall pay reasonable litigation expenses not to exceed a total amount of $20,000 except as provided in subsection (2).

(2) The Division of Finance shall pay amounts exceeding the total amount if:

(a) before services are performed or expenses are incurred, appointed counsel files a request with the court to exceed the total amount;

(b) appointed counsel serves the request upon the Division of Finance before or on the date of filing the request with the court;

(c) the Division of Finance is allowed to respond to the request; and

(d) the court determines there is sufficient cause to exceed the total amount in accordance with Section 78B-9-202.

(3) Travel costs, including mileage, per diem for meals, and lodging will be reimbursed based on state rates and criteria published in rule or policy by the Division of Finance. Travel is not reasonable when the purpose of the travel can reasonably be accomplished in another way, such as by telephone or correspondence.

KEY: attorneys, fees, capital punishment, post-conviction
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R35. Administrative Services, Records Committee.
R35-2. Declining Appeal Hearings.
R35-2-1. Authority and Purpose.

In accordance with Section 63G-2-502 and Subsection 63G-2-403(4), Utah Code, this rule establishes the procedure declining to schedule hearings by the Executive Secretary of the Records Committee.

R35-2-2. Declining Requests for Hearings.

(a) In order to decline a request for a hearing under Subsection 63G-2-403(4), the Executive Secretary shall consult with the chair of the Committee and at least one other member of the Committee as selected by the chair.

(b) In any appeal to the Committee of a governmental entity's denial of access to records for the reason that the record does not exist, the petitioner shall provide sufficient evidence in the petitioner's statement of facts, reasons, and legal authority in support of the appeal, that the record did exist at one time, or that the governmental entity has concealed, or not sufficiently or improperly searched for the record. The chair of the Committee shall determine whether or not the petitioner has provided sufficient evidence. If the chair of the Committee determines that sufficient evidence has been provided, the chair shall direct the Executive Secretary to schedule a hearing as otherwise provided in these rules. If the chair of the Committee determines that sufficient evidence has not been provided, the chair shall direct the Executive Secretary to not schedule a hearing and to inform the petitioner of the determination. Evidence that a governmental entity has disposed of the record according to retention schedules is sufficient basis for the chair to direct the Executive Secretary to not schedule a hearing.

(c) In order to file an appeal the petitioner must submit a copy of their initial records requests, as well as any denial of the records request. The Executive Secretary shall notify the petitioner that a hearing cannot be scheduled until the proper information is submitted.

(d) The chair of the Committee and one other member of the Committee must both agree with the Executive Secretary's recommendation to decline to schedule a hearing. Such a decision shall consider the potential for a public interest claim as may be put forward by the petitioner under the provisions of Subsection 63G-2-403(11)(b), Utah Code. A copy of each decision to deny a hearing shall be signed and retained in the file.

(e) The Executive Secretary's notice to the petitioner indicating that the request for hearing has been denied, as provided for in Subsection 63G-2-403(4)(b), Utah Code, shall include a copy of the previous order of the Committee holding the records series at issue appropriately classified.

(f) The Executive Secretary shall report on each of the hearings declined at each regularly scheduled meeting of the Committee in order to provide a public record of the actions taken.

(g) If a Committee member has requested a discussion to reconsider the decisions to decline a hearing, the Committee may, after discussion and by a majority vote, choose to reverse the decision of the Executive Secretary and hold a hearing. Any discussion of reconsideration shall be limited to those Committee members then present, and shall be based only on two questions: (1) whether the records being requested were covered by a previous order of the Committee, and/or (2) whether the petitioner has, or is likely to, put forth a public interest claim. Neither the petitioner nor the agency whose records are requested shall be heard at this time. If the Committee votes to hold a hearing, the Executive Secretary shall schedule it on the agenda of the next regularly scheduled Committee meeting.

(h) The Executive Secretary shall compile and include in an annual report to the Committee a complete documented list of all hearings held and all hearings declined.

KEY: government documents, state records committee, records appeal hearings
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R70. Agriculture and Food, Regulatory Services.
R70-530. Food Protection.
R70-530-1. Authority and Purpose.

(1) Authority.

Promulgated under the authority of the Section 4-5-17.

(2) Purpose.

This rule shall be liberally construed and applied to promote its underlying purpose of safeguarding public health and providing to consumers food that is safe, unadulterated, and honestly presented.

R70-530-2. Scope.

This rule establishes definitions; sets standards for management and personnel, food operations, equipment, and facilities; and provides for food establishment plan review, inspection, and employee restriction. It shall be used to regulate bakeries, grocery and convenience stores, meat markets, food and grain processors, warehouses and any other establishment meeting the definition of a food establishment.

R70-530-3 Incorporation by Reference.

(1) The food standards, labeling requirements and procedures as specified in 21 CFR, 1 through 200, April 1, 2008 edition, 40 CFR 185, July 1, 2007 edition, and 9 CFR 200 to End, January 1, 2008 edition, are incorporated by reference.

(2) The requirements as found in the U.S. Public Health Service, Food and Drug Administration, Food Code 2005, Chapters 1 through 8, Annex 1, and Annex 2, Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, 21, U.S.S. 342, Sec. 402 are adopted and incorporated by reference, with the exclusion of Sections 8-302.14(C)(2),(D) and (E), 8-805.40, and 8-809.20; and

(3) with the following additions or amendments:

(a) Amend section 8-103.10 to read:

8-103.10 Modifications and Waivers.

(A) The regulatory authority may grant a variance by modifying or waiving the requirements of this Code if in the opinion of the regulatory authority a health hazard or nuisance will not result from the variance. If a variance is granted, the regulatory authority shall retain the information specified under section 8-103.11 in its records for the food establishment.

(b) Amend section 8-103.11 to add:

(D) In addition, a variance from section 3-301.11 may be issued only when:

(1) the variance is limited to a specific task or work station;

(2) the applicant has demonstrated good cause why section 3-301.11 cannot be met;

(3) suitable utensils are used to the fullest extent possible with ready-to-eat foods in the rest of the establishment; and

(4) the applicant can demonstrate active management control of this risk factor at all times.

(c) Amend Section 8-302.14 (C) to read:

A statement specifying whether the food establishment is mobile or stationary and temporary or permanent.

(d) Amend section 8-302.14 to renumber (F) to (D), (G) to (E), and (H) to (F).

(e) Amend section 8-304.10(A) to read:

(A) Upon request, the regulatory authority shall provide a copy of the food service sanitation rule according to the policy of the local regulatory agency.

(f) Amend section 8-304.11(J) to read:

Accept notices issued and served by the REGULATORY AUTHORITY according to LAW:

(g) Amend section 8-304.11(K) to read:

Be subject to the administrative, civil, injunctive, and criminal remedies authorized in law for failure to comply with this Code or a directive of the regulatory authority, including time frames for corrective actions specified in inspection reports, notices, orders, warnings, and other directives.

(h) Amend section 8-401.10(A) to read:

(A) Except as specified in paragraphs (B) and (C) of this section, the regulatory authority shall inspect a food establishment at least once every 6 months and twice in a season for seasonal operations.

(i) Amend section 8-501.10(B) to read:

(B) Requiring appropriate medical examinations, including collection of specimens for laboratory analysis, of a suspected food employee or conditional employee;

(j) Add section 8-501.10(C) to read:

(C) Meeting reporting requirements under Communicable Disease Rule R386-702 and Injury Reporting Rule R386-703.

(k) Amend section 8-601.10 to read:

Due process and equal protection shall be afforded as required by law in all enforcement and regulatory actions.

(l) Amend section 8-701.30 to read:

Service is effective at the time the notice is served or when service is made as specified in section 8-701.20(B).

(m) Amend section 8-803.10 to read:

8-803.10 Embargo, Detainment and Destruction of Adulterated Food Products Authorized.

(A) The embargo and detainment of adulterated food products is authorized under Section 4-5-5, UCA.

(B) The regulatory authority may place an embargo or detainment tag on food found to be adulterated and unfit for human consumption.

(C) The regulatory authority may issue a hold order to the person in charge or to a person who owns or controls the food, without prior warning, notice of a hearing, or a hearing on the hold order, where food or drink is handled, sold, or served to the public, but is found or is suspected of being adulterated and unfit for human consumption.

(D) Upon five days notice and a reasonable opportunity for a hearing to the interested parties, the regulatory authority may condemn, destroy or render unsalable for human food the adulterated food if deemed necessary for the protection of the public health.

(E) If the regulatory authority has reasonable cause to believe that the hold order will be violated, or finds that the order is violated, the regulatory authority may remove the food that is subject to the hold order to a place of safekeeping.

(F) If a hold order is sustained upon appeal or if a timely request for an appeal hearing is not filed, the regulatory authority may order the person in charge or the owner or other person who owns or has custody of the food to bring the food into compliance with this rule or to destroy or denature the food under the regulatory authority's supervision.

(n) Amend section 8-803.60 to read:

The regulatory authority may examine, sample, and test food in order to determine its compliance with this Code in section 8-402.11.

(o) Amend section 8-803.90 to read:

The regulatory authority shall issue a notice of release from a hold order and shall physically remove the hold tags, labels, or other identification from the food if the hold order is vacated.

(p) Amend section 8-804.30 number/catchline to read:

8-804.30 Contents of the Summary Suspension Notice.

(q) Amend section 8-805.10(A) to read:

(A) A person who receives a notice of hearing shall file a response within 10 calendar days from the date of service. Failure to respond may result in license suspension, license revocation, or other administrative penalties.

(r) Amend section 8-805.20 to read:

A response to a hearing notice or a request for a hearing as specified in section 8-805.10 shall be in written form and contain the following:

(A) Response to a notice of hearing must include:

(1) An admission or denial of each allegation of fact;

(2) A statement as to whether the respondent waives the

right to a hearing;

(3) A statement of defense, mitigation, or explanation concerning all claims; and

(4) A statement as to whether the respondent wishes to settle some or all of the claims made by the regulatory authority.

(B) A request for hearing must include:

(1) A statement of the issues of fact specified in section 8-805.30(B) for which a hearing is requested; and

(2) A statement of defense, mitigation, denial, or explanation concerning each allegation of fact.

(C) Witnesses - In addition to the above requirements, if witnesses are requested, the response to a notice of hearing and a request for hearing must include the name, address, telephone number, and a brief statement of the expected testimony for each witness.

(D) Legal Representation - Legal counsel is allowed, but not required. All documents filed by the respondent must include the name, address, and telephone number of the respondent's legal counsel, if any.

(s) Amend section 8-805.50(A)(1) to read:

(1) Except as provided in paragraph (B) of this section, within 5 calendar days after receiving a written request for an appeal hearing from:

(t) Adopt subsections 8-805.50(A)(1)(a) through (c) without changes.

(v) Amend subsection 8-805.50(A)(2) to read:

(2) Within 30 calendar days after the service of a hearing notice to consider administrative remedies for other matters as specified in section 8-805.10(C) or for matters as determined necessary by the regulatory authority.

(v) Amend section 8-805.60 number/catchline to read:

8-805.60 Notice of Hearing Contents.

(w) Amend section 8-805.80 number/catchline to read:

8-805.80 Expeditious and Impartial Hearing.

(x) Amend section 8-805.90 number/catchline to read:

8-805.90 Confidentially of Hearing and Proceedings.

(y) Amend section 8-805.90(A) to read:

(A) Hearings will be open to the public unless compelling circumstances, such as the need to discuss a person's medical or mental health condition, a food establishment's trade secrets, or any other matter private or protected under federal or state law.

(z) Amend section 8-806.30(B) to read:

(B) Unless a party appeals to the head of the regulatory authority within 10 calendar days of the hearing or a lesser number of days specified by the hearing officer.

(aa) Adopt subsections 8-806.30(B)(1) through (2) without changes.

(ab) Amend section 8-807.60 to read:

Documentary evidence may be received in the form of a copy or excerpt if provided to the hearing officer and opposing party prior to the hearing as ordered by the hearing officer.

(ac) Amend section 8-808.20 to read:

Respondents accepting a consent agreement waive their rights to a hearing on the matter, including judicial review.

(ad) Amend section 8-811.10(B) to read:

(B) Any person who violates any provision of this rule may be assessed a civil penalty not to exceed the sum of $5,000.00 or be punished for violation of a class B misdemeanor for the first violation. Each day the violation exits may constitute a separate violation. For any subsequent similar violation within two years, the person may be punished for violation of a class A misdemeanor as provided in section 26-23-6.

(ae) Amend section 8-813.10 number/catchline to read:

8-813.10 Petitions, Penalties, Contempt, and Continuing Violations.

(af) Amend section 8-813.10(B) to replace the phrase "designate amount" with the phrase "$5,000".

(ag) Add paragraph 8-813.10(D) to read:

(D) The adjudicative body, upon proper findings, shall assess violators a fee for each day the violation remains in contempt of its order.

(4) The requirements of the Utah Uniform Building Standards Act Rules as found in Sections R156-701(1)(c), and R156-56-803 are adopted and incorporated by reference.

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R151. Commerce, Administration.
R151-46b. Department of Commerce Administrative Procedures Act Rules.
R151-46b-1. Title.

These rules are known as the "Department of Commerce Administrative Procedures Act Rules."

R151-46b-2. Definitions.

In addition to the definitions in Title 63G, Chapter 4, Administrative Procedures Act, which apply to these rules:

(1) "Agency head" means the executive director of the department, the director of a division, or the committee's residential and small commercial representative, respectively, as used in context.

(2) "Applicant" means a person who submits an application.

(3) "Application" means a request for licensure, certification, registration, permit, or other right or authority granted by the department.

(4) "Committee" means the Committee of Consumer Services of the department.

(5) "Department" means the department, a division, or the committee, respectively or collectively, as used in context.

(6) "Division" means a division of the department.

(7) "Intervenor" means a person permitted to intervene in an adjudicative proceeding before the department.

(8) "Motion" means a request for any action or relief submitted to the presiding officer in an adjudicative proceeding.

(9) "Petition" means the charging document, typically incorporated by reference into a notice of agency action, setting forth a statement of jurisdiction, statement of allegations, statement of legal authority, and prayer for relief.

(10) "Pleadings" include the notice of agency action or request for agency action, any response filed thereto, the petition, motions, briefs or other documents filed by the parties to an adjudicative proceeding, any request for agency review or agency reconsideration, any response filed thereto, and any motions, briefs or other documents filed by the parties on agency review.

(11) "Record" means the record of a hearing in an adjudicative proceeding or the record of the entire adjudicative proceeding, as used in context.

R151-46b-3. Authority - Purpose.

These rules are adopted by the department under the authority of Subsection 63-46b-1(6) and Section 13-1-6 to define, clarify, or establish the procedures which govern adjudicative proceedings before the department.

R151-46b-4. Supplementing Provisions of Rule R151-46b.

Any provision of these rules may be supplemented by division or committee rules unless expressly prohibited by these rules.

R151-46b-5. General Provisions.

(1) Liberal Construction.

These rules shall be liberally construed to secure the just, speedy, and economical determination of all issues presented in adjudicative proceedings before the department.

(2) Deviation from Rules.

The presiding officer may permit or require a deviation from these rules upon a determination that compliance therewith is impractical or unnecessary.

(3) Utah Rules of Civil Procedure.

The Utah Rules of Civil Procedure and case law thereunder may be looked to as persuasive authority upon these rules, but shall not, except as otherwise provided by Title 63G, Chapter 4, Administrative Procedures Act, or by these rules, be considered controlling authority.

(4) Computation of Time.

(a) Periods of time prescribed or allowed by these rules, by any applicable statute or by an order of a presiding officer shall be computed as to exclude the first day of the act, event, or default from which the designated period of time begins to run. The last day of the period so computed shall be included, unless it is a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, in which event the period runs until the end of the next day which is not a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday. When the period of time prescribed or allowed is less than seven days, intermediate Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays shall be excluded in the computation. Whenever a party has the right or is required to do some act or take some action within a prescribed period after the service of a notice or other paper upon him and service is by mail, three days shall be added to the prescribed period. No additional time is provided if service is accomplished by facsimile or other electronic means.

(b) Subject to the provisions of Subsections R151-46b -5(5)(b) and -9(9)(c)(ii), for good cause shown, the presiding officer may extend a time period under these rules on his own motion or upon written application from either party.

(5) Extension of Time; Continuance of Hearing.

(a) When a statute, or these rules, authorizes the presiding officer to extend a time period or grant a continuance of a hearing, the presiding officer shall consider the following factors, and such other factors as may be appropriate, in determining whether to grant such extension or continuance:

(i) whether there is good cause for granting the extension or continuance;

(ii) the number of extensions or continuances the requesting party has already received;

(iii) whether the extension or continuance will work a significant hardship upon the other party;

(iv) whether the extension or continuance will be prejudicial to the health, safety or welfare of the public; and

(v) whether the other party objects to the extension or continuance.

(b)(i) Notwithstanding the provisions of Subsection R151-46b-5(2) or any other provision of these rules, and except as provided in Subsection (5)(b)(ii), an extension of a time period or a continuance of a hearing may not result in the hearing being concluded more than 240 calendar days after the day on which:

(A) the notice of agency action was issued; or

(B) the initial decision with respect to a request for agency action was issued.

(ii) Notwithstanding the provisions of Subsection (5)(b)(i), an extension of a time period or a continuance may exceed the time restriction outlined in Subsection (5)(b)(i) only if:

(A)(I) a party provides an affidavit or certificate signed by a licensed physician verifying that an illness of the party, the party's counsel, or a necessary witness precludes the presence of the party, the party's counsel, or a necessary witness at the hearing;

(II) counsel for a party withdraws shortly before the final hearing, unless the presiding officer finds that the withdrawal was for the purpose of delaying the hearing; or

(III) a parallel criminal proceedings exists based on facts at issue in the administrative proceeding; and

(B) the presiding officer finds that injustice would result from failing to grant the extension or continuance.

(iii) The failure of the presiding officer to comply with the requirements of this Subsection

(5)(b) is not a basis for dismissal of the matter.

(6) Conflict.

In the event of a conflict between these rules and any statutory provision, the statute shall govern.

(7) Necessity of Compliance with GRAMA.

To the extent that the Utah Government Records Access and Management Act ("GRAMA") would impose a restriction

on the ability of a party to disclose any record which would otherwise have to be disclosed under these rules, such record shall not be disclosed except upon compliance with the requirements of that Act.

R151-46b-6. Representation of Parties.

(a) A party may be represented by counsel or may represent oneself individually, or if not an individual, may represent itself through an officer or employee. For the purpose of this provision, the term "counsel" means active members of the Utah State Bar or active members of any other state bar.

(b) Counsel from a foreign licensing state shall submit a notice of appearance to the presiding officer along with a certificate of good standing from the foreign licensing state.

R151-46b-7. Pleadings.

(1) Docket Number and Title.

An agency shall assign a docket number to each notice of agency action and request for agency action. The docket number shall consist of a letter code identifying the agency in which the matter originated (CORP-Corporations; CP-Consumer Protection; CCS-Committee of Consumer Services; DOPL-Occupational and Professional Licensing; D-Diversion; NAFA-New Automobile Franchise Act; PVFA-Powersport Vehicle Franchise Act; RE-Real Estate, AP-Real Estate Appraisers; SD-Securities), a numerical code indicating the year the matter arose, and another number indicating chronological position among notices of agency action or requests for agency action filed during the year. The department shall give each adjudicative proceeding a title that shall be in substantially the following form:

TABLE I

BEFORE THE (DIVISION/COMMITTEE) OF THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE OF THE STATE OF UTAH	
In the Matter of (the application, petition or license of John Doe)	(Notice of Agency Action) (Request for Agency Action) No. AA-2000-001

(2) Content and Size of Pleadings.

Pleadings shall be double-spaced, typewritten and presented on standard 8 1/2 x 11 inch white paper. Pleadings shall contain a clear and concise statement of the allegations or facts relied upon as the basis for the pleading, together with an appropriate prayer for relief when relief is sought.

(3) Signing of Pleadings.

Pleadings shall be signed by the party or the party's representative and shall show the signer's address. The signature shall be deemed to be a certification that the signer has read the pleading and that, to the best of his knowledge and belief, there is good ground to support it.

(4) Amendments to Pleadings.

A party may amend a pleading once as a matter of course at any time before a responsive pleading is served. Otherwise, a party may amend a pleading only by leave of the presiding officer or by written consent of the adverse party. Leave shall be freely given when justice so requires. A party shall plead in response to an amended pleading within the time remaining for response to the original pleading or within ten days after service of the amended pleading, whichever period may be longer, unless the presiding officer otherwise orders. Defects in a pleading that do not affect substantial rights of a party need not be amended and shall be disregarded.

(5) Response to a Notice of Agency Action.

(a) Formal Adjudicative Proceedings.

In accordance with Subsection 63G-4-201(2)(a)(vi), a respondent in a formal adjudicative proceeding shall file a response to the notice of agency action.

(b) Informal Adjudicative Proceedings.

(i) In accordance with Subsection 63G-4-203(1)(a), a respondent in an informal adjudicative proceeding may file, but is not required to file except as provided in Subsection (ii), a response to a notice of agency action.

(ii) The presiding officer may, upon a determination of good cause, require a person against whom an informal adjudicative proceeding has been initiated to submit a response by so ordering in the notice of agency action or the notice of receipt of request for agency action.

(c) Time Period for Filing a Response.

Unless a different date is established by law, rule, or by the presiding officer, a response to a notice of agency action or a notice of receipt of request for agency action shall be filed within 30 days of the mailing date of the notice.

(6) Motions.

(a) General. Any motion that is relevant to an adjudicative proceeding and is timely may be filed. All motions shall be filed in writing, unless the necessity for a motion arises at a hearing and could not have been anticipated prior to the hearing. Subsection 63G-4-102(4)(b) shall not be construed to prohibit a presiding officer from granting a timely motion to dismiss for failure to prosecute, failure to comply with these rules, failure to establish a claim upon which relief may be granted, or any other good cause basis.

(b) Time for Filing Motions to Dismiss.

Any motion to dismiss on a ground described in Rule 12(b)(1) through (7) of the Utah Rules of Civil Procedure shall be filed prior to filing a responsive pleading if such a pleading is permitted unless, subject to Subsections R151-46b-5(5)(b) and -9(9)(c)(ii), the presiding officer allows additional time upon a determination of good cause.

(c) Memoranda and Affidavits.

The presiding officer shall permit and may require memoranda and affidavits in support or contravention of a motion. Unless otherwise governed by a scheduling order issued by the presiding officer, any memorandum or affidavits in support of a motion shall be filed concurrently with the motion, any memorandum or affidavits in response to a motion shall be filed no later than ten days after service of the motion, and any final reply shall be filed no later than five days after service of the response.

(d) Oral Argument.

(i) The presiding officer may permit or require oral argument on a motion.

(ii) Any oral argument on a motion shall be scheduled to take place no more than 10 calendar days after the day on which the final submission on the motion is filed.

(e) Ruling on a motion.

(i) The presiding officer shall verbally rule on a motion at the conclusion of oral argument whenever possible.

(ii) When a presiding officer verbally rules on a motion, the presiding officer shall issue a written ruling within 30 calendar days after the day on which the presiding officer made the verbal ruling.

(iii) If the presiding officer does not verbally rule on a motion at the conclusion of oral argument, the presiding officer shall issue a written ruling on the motion no more than 30 calendar days after:

(A) oral argument; or

(B) if there was no oral argument, the final submission on the motion.

(iv) The failure of the presiding officer to comply with the requirements of this Subsection (6)(e) is not a basis for dismissal of the matter, and may not be considered an automatic denial or grant of the motion.

R151-46b-8. Filing and Service.

(1) Filing.

(a) Pleadings shall be filed with the agency in which the adjudicative proceeding is being conducted. If an administrative law judge is conducting part of the adjudicative proceeding, then the party shall cause a courtesy copy of such pleadings to be filed with the administrative law judge. The filing of discovery documents is governed by Subsection R151-46b-9(11)(a).

(b) Manner and time of filing.

(i) A filing may be accomplished by hand delivery or by mail to the agency in which the adjudicative proceeding is being conducted.

(ii)(A) A filing may also be accomplished by facsimile or other electronic means, so long as the original document is also mailed to the agency the same day, as evidenced by a postmark or mailing certificate.

(B) Filing by electronic means is complete upon transmission if transmission is completed during normal business hours at the place receiving the filing; otherwise, filing is complete on the next business day.

(C) A filing by electronic means is not effective unless the agency receives all pertinent pages of the document transmitted.

(D) The burden is on the party filing the document to ensure that a transmission is properly completed.

(2) Service.

Pleadings filed by the parties and documents issued by the presiding officer shall be served upon the parties to the adjudicative proceeding concurrently with the filing or issuance thereof. The party who files the pleading shall be responsible for service of the pleading. The presiding officer who issues a document shall be responsible for service of the document.

(a) Service may be made upon any person upon whom a summons may be served in accordance with the Utah Rules of Civil Procedure and may be made personally or upon the agent of the person being served. If a party is represented by an attorney, service may be made upon the attorney.

(b) Service may be accomplished by hand delivery or by mail to the last known address of the intended recipient. Service by mail is complete upon mailing. Service may also be accomplished by facsimile or other electronic means. Service by electronic means is complete on transmission if transmission is completed during normal business hours at the place receiving the service; otherwise, service is complete on the next business day.

(c) There shall appear on all documents required to be served a certificate of service in substantially the following form:

TABLE II

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE
I hereby certify that I have this day served the foregoing document upon the parties of record in this proceeding set forth below (by delivering a copy thereof in person) (by mailing a copy thereof, properly addressed by first class mail with postage prepaid, to) (by facsimile/electronic means and first class mail to):

(Name(s) of parties of record)
(Address(es))

Dated this (day) day of (month), (year).

(Signature)
(Title)

R151-46b-9. Discovery - Formal Proceedings Only.

This rule applies only to formal adjudicative proceedings. Discovery is prohibited in informal adjudicative proceedings.

(1) Scope of discovery.

(a) Parties may obtain discovery regarding any matter, not privileged, which is relevant to the subject matter involved in the proceeding, whether it relates to the claim or defense of the party seeking discovery or to the claim or defense of any other party.

(b) Subject to the provisions of Subsections R151-46b-9(1)(c) and R151-46b-9(3)(a), a party may obtain discovery of documents and tangible things otherwise discoverable under Subsection R151-46b-9(1)(a) and prepared in anticipation of litigation or for hearing by or for another party or by or for that party's representative, including his attorney, consultant, insurer or other agent, only upon a showing that the party seeking discovery has substantial need of the materials in the preparation of his case and that he is unable without undue hardship to obtain the substantial equivalent of the materials by other means. In ordering discovery of such materials when the required showing has been made, the presiding officer shall protect against disclosure of the mental impressions, conclusions, opinions, or legal theories of an attorney or other representative of a party concerning the litigation.

(c) Discovery of facts known and opinions held by experts, otherwise discoverable under the provisions of Subsection R151-46b-9(1)(a) and acquired or developed in anticipation of litigation or for hearing, may be obtained only through the disclosures required by Subsection R151-46b-9(3)(a).

(2) Disclosures Required By Initial Prehearing Order.

(a) Pursuant to the initial prehearing order issued in accordance with Subsection R151-46b-9(9)(c), the presiding officer may require each party to disclose:

(i) the name and, if known, the address and telephone number of each individual likely to have discoverable information supporting its claims or defenses, identifying the subjects of the information; and

(ii) a copy of, or a description by category and location of, and reasonable access to, all discoverable documents, data compilations, and tangible things which are in its possession, custody, or control and which support its claims or defenses.

(b) The order shall not require disclosure of expert testimony, which is governed by Subsection R151-46b-9(3)(a). The order also shall not require the disclosure of information regarding persons or things intended to be used solely for impeachment.

(c) The disclosures required by Subsection R151-46b-9(2)(a) shall be made within 14 days after the written initial prehearing order is issued unless that order provides otherwise. A party joined after the initial prehearing conference shall make these disclosures within 30 days after being served unless otherwise stipulated by the parties or ordered by the presiding officer. A party shall make initial disclosures based on the information then reasonably available and is not excused from making disclosures because the party has not fully completed the investigation of the case or because the party challenges the sufficiency of another party's disclosures or because another party has not made disclosures.

(3) Disclosures Otherwise Required.

(a) Expert Testimony.

A party shall disclose the name, address and telephone number of any person who may be called as an expert witness at the hearing.

(i) Except as otherwise stipulated by the parties or ordered by the presiding officer, this disclosure shall, with respect to a witness who is retained or specially employed to provide expert testimony in the case or whose duties as an employee of the party regularly involve giving expert testimony, be accompanied by a written report prepared and signed by the witness. The report shall contain a complete statement of all opinions to be expressed and the basis and reasons therefore; the data or other information considered by the witness in forming the opinions; any exhibits to be used as a summary of or support for the opinions; the qualifications of the witness, including a list of all publications authored by the witness within the preceding ten years; the compensation to be paid for the study and testimony; and a listing of any other cases in which the witness has testified

as an expert at trial or by deposition within the preceding four years.

(ii) Unless otherwise stipulated by the parties or ordered by the presiding officer, the disclosures required by Subsection R151-46b-9(3)(a) shall be made within 30 days after the expiration of discovery as provided by Subsection R151-46b-9(7)(b) or, if the evidence is intended solely to contradict or rebut evidence on the same subject matter identified by another party under Subsection R151-46b-9(3)(a)(i), within 60 days after the disclosure made by the other party.

(b) Prehearing Disclosures.

In addition to the disclosures required pursuant to Subsection R151-46b-9(3)(a), a party shall disclose the following information regarding the evidence that it may present at trial other than solely for impeachment purposes:

(i) the name and, if not previously provided, the address and telephone number of each witness, including the general scope of their anticipated testimony, separately identifying those whom the party expects to present and those whom the party may call if the need arises;

(ii) the designation of those witnesses whose testimony is expected to be presented by means of a deposition and, if not taken stenographically, a transcript of the pertinent portions of the deposition testimony; and

(iii) an appropriate identification of each document or other exhibit, including summaries of other evidence, separately identifying those which the party expects to offer and those which the party may offer if the need arises.

These disclosures shall be made at least 30 days before the hearing unless otherwise ordered by the presiding officer. A party may serve and file any objection to the use under Subsection R151-46b-9(13)(i) of a deposition designated by another party under Subsection R151-46b-9(3)(b)(ii) and any objection, together with the grounds therefore, as to the admissibility of materials identified under Subsection R151-46b-9(3)(b)(iii). Any such objections shall be made within 14 days after service of the disclosures required by Subsection R151-46b-9(3)(b) unless a different time is specified by the presiding officer. Objections not timely made under this Subsection, other than objections on grounds of relevancy, shall be deemed waived unless excused by the presiding officer for good cause shown.

(c) Form of Disclosures.

Unless otherwise stipulated by the parties or ordered by the presiding officer, all disclosures under Subsections R151-46b-9(2) through (3)(b) shall be made in writing, signed and served.

(4) Other Discovery Methods.

Parties may also obtain discovery by one or more of the following methods: depositions upon oral examination as provided in these rules, production of documents or things, permission to enter upon land or other property for inspection and other purposes, and physical and mental examinations.

(5) Limits on Use of Discovery.

The frequency and extent of use of the discovery methods set forth in Subsection R151-46b-9(4) shall be limited by the presiding officer if it is determined that:

(a) the discovery sought is unreasonably cumulative, duplicative or is obtainable from some other source that is more convenient, less burdensome, or less expensive;

(b) the party seeking discovery has had ample opportunity by discovery in the action to obtain the information sought; or

(c) the discovery is unduly burdensome or expensive, taking into account the needs of the case, the amount in controversy, limitations on the parties' resources, and the importance of the issues at stake in the litigation. The presiding officer may act on his own motion after reasonable notice or pursuant to a motion under Subsection R151-46b-9(6).

(6) Protective Orders.

Upon motion by a party or by the person from whom discovery is sought, and for good cause shown, the presiding officer may make any order which justice requires to protect a party or person from annoyance, embarrassment, oppression, or undue burden or expense, including one or more of the following:

(a) that the discovery not be had;

(b) that the discovery may be had only on specified terms and conditions, including a designation of the time or place;

(c) that the discovery may be had only by a method of discovery other than that selected by the party seeking discovery;

(d) the certain matters not be inquired into, or that the scope of the discovery be limited to certain matters;

(e) that discovery be conducted with no one present except persons designated by the presiding officer;

(f) that a deposition after being sealed be opened only by order of the presiding officer;

(g) that a trade secret or other confidential research, development, or commercial information not be disclosed or be disclosed only in a designated way;

(h) that the parties simultaneously file specified documents or information enclosed in sealed envelopes to be opened as directed by the presiding officer.

If the motion for a protective order is denied in whole or in part, the presiding officer may, on such terms and conditions as are just, order that any party or person provide or permit discovery.

(7) Timing, Completion and Sequence of Discovery.

(a) A party may not use any of the discovery methods described in Subsection R151-46b-9(4) prior to the date that the disclosures required in the initial prehearing order are received unless otherwise stipulated by the parties or ordered by the presiding officer. If the initial prehearing order does not require the parties to make disclosures, then the parties may use those discovery methods at any time after the date of the initial prehearing conference.

(b) Unless otherwise stipulated by the parties or ordered by the presiding officer for good cause shown, all discovery, except for prehearing disclosures governed by Subsection R151-46b-9(3), shall be completed within 120 days after the date of the initial prehearing conference. Factors the presiding officer shall consider in determining whether a party has demonstrated good cause to shorten this time period include whether that party's interests will be prejudiced if the time period is not shortened, whether the relative simplicity or nonexistence of factual issues justifies a shortening of discovery time, and whether the health, safety or welfare of the public will be prejudiced if the time period is not shortened. Factors the presiding officer shall consider in determining whether a party has demonstrated good cause to extend this time period include, in addition to those set forth in R151-46b-5(5), whether the complexity of the case warrants additional discovery time, and whether that party has made reasonable and prudent use of the discovery time that has already been available to the party since the proceeding commenced.

(c) Unless the presiding officer upon motion, for the convenience of parties and witnesses and in the interests of justice, orders otherwise, and except as otherwise provided by these rules, methods of discovery described in Subsection R151-46b-9(4) may be used in any sequence. The fact that a party is conducting discovery shall not operate to delay any other party's discovery.

(8) Supplemented Disclosures and Amended Responses. A party who has made a disclosure under Subsections (2) or (3) or responded to a request for discovery with a response that was complete when made shall supplement the disclosure or amend the response to include information thereafter acquired if ordered by the presiding officer or in the following circumstances:

(a) A party shall supplement at appropriate intervals disclosures under Subsections R151-46b-9(2) and (3) if the party learns that in some material respect the information disclosed is incomplete or incorrect and if the additional or corrective information has not otherwise been made known to the other parties during the discovery process or in writing. With respect to testimony of an expert from whom a report is required under Subsection R151-46b-9(3)(a), the duty extends to information contained in the report, and any additions or other changes to this information shall be disclosed by the time the party's disclosures under Subsection R151-46b-9(3)(b) are due.

(b) A party shall amend a prior response to a request for production within a reasonable time after the party learns that the response is in some material respect incomplete or incorrect and if the additional or corrective information has not otherwise been made known to the other parties during the discovery process or in writing.

(9) Initial Prehearing Conference.

(a) The party initiating the adjudicative proceeding shall file a written request for the scheduling of an initial prehearing conference and provide a copy to the presiding officer within 10 days after the filing of the response to the notice of agency action or within 10 days after the filing of the request for agency action in a case commenced by such a request. The presiding officer shall contact the parties upon receiving that request for the scheduling of the conference and arrange for that conference to be held at the earliest feasible time. Nothing in this rule shall limit the ability of the presiding officer to contact the parties and schedule the conference on his own initiative.

(b) The conference may be conducted either in person or telephonically. All parties, or their counsel, shall participate in the conference. The conference shall include discussion of discovery, prehearing motions and other matters pertaining to the orderly management of the proceeding.

(c) During the initial prehearing conference, the presiding officer shall issue a verbal order regarding the following matters, and shall issue a written order to the same effect after the conference is concluded:

(i) scheduling any additional prehearing conferences;

(ii) setting a deadline for the filing of all prehearing motions and cross-motions, including motions for summary judgment, which deadline shall allow for all motions to be submitted and ruled on prior to the hearing date;

(iii) modifying, if appropriate, any of the deadlines for disclosures under Subsection R151-46b-9(3);

(iv) resolving any discovery issues;

(v) establishing a schedule for briefing, discovery needs, expert witness reports, witness and exhibit lists, objections, and any other necessary or appropriate prehearing matters;

(vi) scheduling a hearing date, which notwithstanding the provisions of Subsection R151-46b-5(2), shall provide for the hearing to be concluded not more than 180 calendar days after the day on which:

(A) the notice of agency action was issued; or

(B) the initial decision with respect to a request for agency action was issued; and

(vii) dealing with any other matters appropriate in the circumstances of the case.

(d) A party joined after the initial prehearing conference is bound by the order issued as a result of that conference, unless the presiding officer orders on stipulation or motion a modification of that order. Any such stipulation or motion shall be filed within a reasonable time after joinder.

(e) Notwithstanding Subsection R151-46b-9(7)(b) or any other provision of these rules that provides a maximum time frame for any prehearing matter, the presiding officer shall schedule all prehearing matters consistent with Subsection R151-46b-9(9)(c)(vi). The presiding officer may:

(i) adjust any time frames as necessary to accommodate Subsection R151-46b-9(9)(c)(vi); and/or

(ii) schedule any appropriate prehearing matters to occur concurrently.

(10) Signing of Disclosures, Discovery Requests, Responses, and Objections.

(a) Every disclosure made pursuant to Subsections R151-46b-9(2) and (3) shall be signed by at least one attorney of record or by the party if not represented, whose address shall be stated. The signature of the attorney or party constitutes a certification that to the best of the signer's knowledge, information, and belief, formed after a reasonable inquiry, the disclosure is complete and correct as of the time it was made.

(b) Every request for discovery or any response or objection thereto made by a party shall be signed by at least one attorney of record or by the party if not represented, whose address shall be stated. The signature of the attorney or party constitutes a certification that he has read the request, response, or objection, and that to the best of his knowledge, information, and belief formed after a reasonable inquiry it is:

(i) consistent with these rules and warranted by existing law or a good faith argument for the extension, modification, or reversal of existing law;

(ii) not interposed for any improper purpose, such as to harass or to cause unnecessary delay or needless increase in the cost of litigation; and

(iii) not unreasonable or unduly burdensome or expensive, given the needs of the case, the discovery already had in the case, and the importance of the issues at stake in the proceeding.

(c) If a request, response, or objection is not signed, it shall be stricken unless it is signed promptly after the omission is called to the attention of the party making the request, response or objection and a party shall not be obligated to take any action with respect to it until it is signed.

(11) Filing of Discovery Requests or Disclosures.

(a) Unless otherwise ordered by the presiding officer, a party shall not file any request for or response to discovery, but shall file only the original certificate of service stating that the request or response has been served on the other parties and the date of service. Unless otherwise ordered by the presiding officer, a party shall not file any of the disclosures required by the initial prehearing order pursuant to Subsection R151-46b-9(2) or any of the disclosures required by Subsection R151-46b-9(3)(a), but shall file only the original certificate of service stating that the disclosures have been served on the other parties and the date of service. Except as provided in Subsection R151-46b-9(13)(f)(i) or unless otherwise ordered by the presiding officer, depositions shall not be filed. A party shall file the disclosures required by Subsection R151-46b-9(3)(b) unless otherwise ordered by the presiding officer.

(b) A party filing a motion for a protective order or a motion for an order compelling discovery shall attach to the motion a copy of the request for discovery or the response which is at issue.

(12) Subpoenas.

(a) Every subpoena shall be issued by the presiding officer under the seal of the department or applicable division, shall state the title of the action, and shall command every person to whom it is directed to attend and give testimony at a hearing or deposition at a time and place therein specified. A subpoena may also command the person to whom it is directed to produce books, papers, or tangible things designated therein, and in the case of a subpoena for a deposition, to also permit inspection and copying of such items. A subpoena for a deposition must limit its designation of such items to matters which properly fall within the scope of discoverable information as provided in Subsection R151-46b-9(1)(a). The presiding officer shall issue a subpoena, or a subpoena for the production of documentary evidence, signed and sealed but otherwise in blank, to a party

requesting it, who shall fill it in before service.

(b) Service of a subpoena upon a person named therein shall be accompanied by a tender of fees for one day's attendance and the mileage allowed by law.

(c) A subpoena commanding a person to appear at a hearing or a deposition being held in this state may be served at any place within this state. A person who resides in this state may be required to appear at a deposition only in the county where the person resides, or is employed, or transacts business in person, or at such other place as the presiding officer may order. A person who does not reside in this state may be required to appear at a deposition only in the county of this state where the person is served with a subpoena, or at such other place as the presiding officer may order.

(d) A subpoena commanding a person to appear at a deposition or to produce or allow the inspection of documents, tangible things or premises located outside this state shall be served in accordance with the requirements of the jurisdiction in which such service is made.

(e) Upon motion made promptly, and in any event at or before the time specified in the subpoena for compliance therewith, the presiding officer may:

(i) quash or modify the subpoena, if it is shown to be unreasonable and oppressive; or

(ii) condition denial of the motion upon the advancement by the person in whose behalf the subpoena is issued of the reasonable cost of producing the books, papers, documents, or tangible things.

(f) In the case of subpoenas requiring the production of books, papers, or other tangible things at a deposition, the person to whom the subpoena is directed may, within 10 days after the service thereof or on or before the time specified in the subpoena for compliance if such time is less than 10 days after service, serve upon the attorney designated in the subpoena a written objection to production, inspection or copying of any or all of the designated materials. If such objection is made, the party serving the subpoena shall not be entitled to production, inspection or copying of the materials except pursuant to a further order of the presiding officer who issued the subpoena.

(13) Depositions Upon Oral Examination: General provision; Persons who may be deposed.

Under the limited circumstances prescribed in this Subsection, a party may with leave of the presiding officer take the testimony by deposition upon oral examination of certain persons, including parties, who have knowledge of facts relevant to the claims or defenses of any party in the proceeding. The attendance of witnesses may be compelled by subpoena as provided in Subsection R151-46b-9(12). Depositions of expert witnesses shall not be permitted.

(a)(i) Before a party may request leave to take a person's deposition, the party must first make diligent efforts to obtain discovery from that person by means of an informal interview. A party shall not be granted leave to take a deposition unless the party, upon motion, demonstrates to the satisfaction of the presiding officer that the person has knowledge of facts relevant to the claims or defenses of any party in the proceeding and:

(A) has refused a reasonable request by the moving party for an informal interview;

(B) after having notice of at least two reasonable requests by that party for an informal interview, has failed to respond to those requests;

(C) has refused to answer reasonable questions propounded to him by that party in an informal interview; or

(D) will be unavailable to testify at the hearing.

In deciding whether to issue such an order, the presiding officer shall take into consideration the probative value which the testimony of that witness is likely to have in the proceeding. The burden of demonstrating the need for a deposition shall be upon the party requesting the deposition.

(ii) For an informal interview:

(A) a party or counsel has no obligation to notify the other party or counsel of an intention to hold an informal interview with a potential witness;

(B) a party or counsel does not have a right to be present during an informal interview with a potential witness conducted by another party or counsel; and

(C) there is no requirement to have a potential witness placed under oath before providing information in an informal interview.

(b) Notice of Examination: General Requirements; Notice; Non-Stenographic Recording; Production of Documents and Things; Deposition of Organization; Deposition by Telephone.

(i) A party permitted to take the deposition of any person upon oral examination shall give reasonable notice in writing to every other party to the action. The notice shall state the time and place for taking the deposition and the name and address of each person to be examined, if known, and, if the name is not known, a general description sufficient to identify him or the particular class or group to which he belongs. If a subpoena duces tecum is to be served on the person to be examined, the designation of the materials to be produced, as set forth in the subpoena, shall be attached to or included in the notice.

(ii) The parties may stipulate in writing or, upon motion, the presiding officer may order the testimony at a deposition be recorded by other than stenographic means. The stipulation or order shall designate the person before whom the deposition shall be taken, the manner of recording, preserving and filing the deposition, and may include other provisions to assure that the recorded testimony will be accurate and trustworthy. A party may arrange to have a stenographic transcription made at his own expense. Any objections under Subsection R151-46b-9(13)(c), any changes made by the witness, his signature identifying the deposition as his own or the statement of the officer that is required if the witness does not sign, as provided in this rule, and the certification of the officer required by Subsection R151-46b-9(13)(f), shall be set forth in a writing to accompany a deposition recorded by non-stenographic means.

(iii) The notice to a party deponent may be accompanied by a request made in compliance with Subsection R151-46b-9(14) for the production of documents and tangible things at the taking of the deposition.

(iv) A party may, in his notice and in a subpoena, name as the deponent a public or private corporation or a partnership or association or governmental agency and describe with reasonable particularity the matters on which examination is requested. In that event, the organization so named shall designate one or more officers, directors, or managing agents, or other persons who consent to testify on its behalf, and may set forth, for each person designated, the matters on which he will testify. A subpoena shall advise a non-party organization of its duty to make such a designation. The persons so designated shall testify as to matters known or reasonably available to the organization. This subsection does not preclude taking a deposition by any other procedure authorized in these rules.

(v) The parties may stipulate in writing or, upon motion, the presiding officer may order a deposition be taken by telephone.

(c) Examination and Cross-Examination; Record of Examination; Oath; Objections.

Examination and cross-examination of witnesses may proceed as permitted at the hearing under the provisions of the Utah Administrative Procedures Act and the Utah Rules of Evidence. The officer before whom the deposition is to be taken shall put the witness on oath and shall personally, or by someone acting under his direction and in his presence, record the testimony of the witness. The testimony shall be taken stenographically or recorded by any other means ordered in

accordance with Subsection R151-46b-9(13)(b)(ii) of this rule. If requested by one of the parties, the testimony shall be transcribed. All objections made at the time of the examination to the qualifications of the officer taking the deposition, to the manner of taking it, to the evidence presented, or to the conduct of any party, and any other objection to the proceedings, shall be noted by the officer upon the deposition. Evidence objected to shall be taken subject to the objections. In lieu of participating in the oral examination, parties may serve written questions in a sealed envelope on the party taking the deposition and he shall transmit them to the officer, who shall propound them to the witness and record the answer verbatim.

(d) Motion to Terminate or Limit Examination.

At any time during the taking of the deposition, on motion of either a party or the deponent and upon a showing that the examination is being conducted in bad faith or in such manner as unreasonably to annoy, embarrass, or oppress the deponent or party, the presiding officer may order the officer conducting the examination to cease forthwith from taking the deposition or may limit the scope and manner of the taking of the deposition, as provided in Subsection R151-46b-9(6). If the order made terminates the examination, it shall be resumed thereafter only upon the order of the presiding officer. Upon demand of the objecting party or deponent, the taking of the deposition shall be suspended for the time necessary to make a motion for an order.

(e) Submission to Witness; Changes; Signing.

When the testimony is fully transcribed, the deposition shall be submitted to the witness for examination and shall be read to or by him, unless such examination and reading are waived by the witness and by the parties. Any changes in form or substance which the witness desires to make shall be entered upon the deposition by the officer with a statement of the reasons given by the witness for making them. The deposition shall then be signed by the witness, unless the parties by stipulation waive the signing or the witness is ill or cannot be found or refuses to sign. If the deposition is not signed by the witness within 30 days of its submission to him, the officer shall sign it and state on the record the fact of the waiver or of the illness or absence of the witness or the fact of the refusal to sign together with the reason, if any, given therefore. The deposition may then be used as though signed, unless a motion to suppress is filed pursuant to Subsection R151-46b-9(13)(i)(c)(v) and the presiding officer holds that the reasons given for the refusal to sign require rejection of the deposition in whole or in part.

(f) Certification and Filing by Officer; Exhibits; Copies; Notice of Filing.

(i) The officer shall certify on the deposition that the witness was duly sworn by him and that the deposition is a true record of the testimony given by the witness. Unless otherwise ordered by the presiding officer, he shall then securely seal the deposition in an envelope indorsed with the title of the action and marked "Deposition of (here insert name of witness)" and shall promptly send the sealed transcript of the deposition to the attorney who arranged for the transcript to be made. If the party taking the deposition is not represented by an attorney, the transcript of the deposition shall be filed with the division or committee before which the proceeding is being held unless otherwise ordered by the presiding officer. An attorney receiving the transcript of the deposition shall store it under conditions that will protect it against loss, destruction, tampering or deterioration. The officer shall file, and serve upon all parties, a certificate indicating to whom he delivered the transcript, and the date he did so.

Documents and things produced for inspection during the examination of the witness shall, upon the request of a party, be marked for identification and annexed to the deposition, and may be inspected and copied by any party, except that if the person producing the materials desires to retain them, he may either offer copies to be marked for identification and annexed to the deposition and to serve thereafter as originals, if he affords to all parties fair opportunity to verify the copies by comparison with the originals, or offer the originals to be marked for identification, after giving to each party an opportunity to inspect and copy them, in which event the materials may then be used in the same manner as if annexed to the deposition. Any party may move for an order that the original be annexed to the original transcript of the deposition pending final disposition of the case.

(ii) Upon payment of reasonable charges therefore, the officer shall furnish a copy of the deposition to any party or to the deponent.

(g) Failure to Attend or to Serve Subpoena; Expenses.

(i) If the party giving the notice of the taking of a deposition fails to attend and proceed therewith and another party attends in person or by attorney pursuant to the notice, the presiding officer may order the party giving the notice to pay to such other party the reasonable expenses incurred by him and his attorney in attending, including reasonable attorney's fees.

(ii) If the party giving the notice of the taking of a deposition of a witness fails to serve a subpoena upon him and the witness because of such failure does not attend, and if another party attends in person or by attorney because he expects the deposition of that witness to be taken, the presiding officer may order the party giving the notice to pay to such other party the reasonable expenses incurred by him and his attorney in attending, including reasonable attorney's fees.

(h) Persons Before Whom Depositions May Be Taken.

(i) Within the United States or within a territory or insular possession subject to the jurisdiction of the United States, depositions shall be taken before an officer authorized to administer oaths by the laws of the United States or of the place where the examination is held, or before a person appointed by the presiding officer in which the action is pending. A person so appointed has power to administer oaths and take testimony.

(ii) In a foreign country, depositions may be taken:

(A) on notice before a person authorized to administer oaths in the place in which the examination is held, either by the law thereof or by the law of the United States; or

(B) before a person commissioned by the presiding officer. The person so commissioned shall have the power, by virtue of his commission, to administer any necessary oath and take testimony. A commission shall be issued on application and notice and on terms that are just and appropriate. It is not requisite to the issuance of a commission that the taking of the deposition in any other manner in impracticable or inconvenient; and a commission may be issued in proper cases. A notice or commission may designate the person before whom the deposition is to be taken either by name or descriptive title.

(iii) No deposition shall be taken before a person who is a relative or employee or attorney or counsel of any of the parties, or is a relative or employee of such attorney or counsel, or is financially interested in the proceeding.

(i) Use of Depositions in Agency Adjudicative Proceedings.

(a) Use of Depositions.

At a hearing or upon argument of a motion or an interlocutory proceeding, any part or all of a deposition, so far as admissible under the rules of evidence applied as though the witness were then present and testifying, may be used against any party who was present or represented at the taking of the deposition or who had reasonable notice thereof, in accordance with any of the following provisions:

(i) Any deposition may be used by any party for the purpose of contradicting or impeaching the testimony of the deponent as a witness, or for any other purpose permitted by the Utah Rules of Evidence.

(ii) The deposition of either a party or anyone who, at the time of taking the deposition, was an officer, director, or

managing agent, or a person designated under Subsection R151-46b-9(13)(b)(iv) to testify on behalf of a public or private corporation, partnership or association or governmental agency which is a party, may be used by an adverse party for any purpose.

(iii) The deposition of a witness, whether or not a party, may be used by any party for any purpose if the presiding officer finds that:

(A) the witness is dead;

(B) the witness is at a greater distance than 100 miles from the place of hearing, or is out of the United States, unless it appears that the absence of the witness was procured by the party offering the deposition;

(C) the witness is unable to attend or testify because of age, illness, infirmity, or imprisonment;

(D) the party offering the deposition has been unable to procure the attendance of the witness by subpoena; or

(E) upon application and notice, such exceptional circumstances exist as to make it desirable, in the interest of justice and with due regard to the importance of presenting the testimony of witnesses orally in open court, to allow the deposition to be used.

(iv) If only part of a deposition is offered in evidence by a party, an adverse party may require him to introduce any other part which ought, in fairness, to be considered with the part introduced, and any party may introduce any other parts.

All depositions lawfully taken and duly filed in any court or another agency of this state may be used as if originally taken in the pending proceeding. A deposition previously taken may also be used as permitted by the Utah Rules of Evidence.

(b) Objections to Admissibility.

Subject to the provisions of Subsection R151-46b-9(13)(i)(c), objection may be made at the hearing to receiving in evidence any deposition or part thereof for any reason which would require the exclusion of the evidence if the witness were then present and testifying.

(c) Effect of Errors and Irregularities in Depositions.

(i) All errors and irregularities in the notice for taking a deposition are waived unless written objection is promptly served upon the party giving the notice.

(ii) Objection to taking a deposition because of disqualification of the officer before whom it is to be taken is waived unless made before the taking of the deposition begins or as soon thereafter as the disqualification becomes known or could be discovered with reasonable diligence.

(iii) Objections to the competency of a witness or to the competency, relevancy, or materiality of testimony are not waived by failure to make them before or during the taking of the deposition, unless the ground of the objection is one which might have been obviated or removed if presented at that time.

(iv) Errors and irregularities occurring at the oral examination in the manner of taking the deposition, in the form of the questions or answers, in the oath or affirmation, or in the conduct of parties, and errors of any kind which might be obviated, removed, or cured if promptly presented, are waived unless seasonable objection thereto is made at the taking of the deposition.

(v) Errors and irregularities in the manner in which the testimony is transcribed or the deposition is prepared, signed, certified, sealed, indorsed, transmitted, filed, or otherwise dealt with are waived unless a motion to suppress the deposition or some part thereof is made with reasonable promptness after such defect is, or with due diligence might have been, ascertained.

(14) Production of Documents and Things and Entry Upon Land for Inspection and Other Purposes.

(a) Scope.

Upon approval by the presiding officer, any party may serve on any other party a request:

(i) to produce and permit the party making the request, or someone acting on his behalf, to inspect and copy any designated documents, including writings, drawings, graphs, charts, photographs, phonorecords, and other data compilations from which information can be obtained, translated, if necessary, by the respondent through detection devices into reasonably usable form, or to inspect and copy, test, or sample any tangible things which constitute or contain matters within the scope of Subsection R151-46b-9(1)(a) and which are in the possession, custody or control of the party upon whom the request is served; or

(ii) to permit entry upon designated land or other property in the possession or control of the party upon whom the request is served for the purpose of inspection and measuring, surveying, photographing, testing, or sampling the property or any designated object or operation thereon, within the scope of Subsection R151-46b-9(1)(a).

(b) Procedure.

Before permitting a party to serve a request for production of documents, the presiding officer must first find that the party seeking such leave has demonstrated that the records he seeks have not already been provided to him in the initial disclosures submitted by another party. After approval by the presiding officer, the request may be served upon any party. The request shall set forth the items to be inspected either by individual item or by category, and describe each item and category with reasonable particularity. The request shall specify a reasonable time, place, and manner of making the inspection and performing the related acts.

The party upon whom the request is served shall serve a written response within 20 days after the service of the request. The presiding officer may allow a shorter or longer time. The response shall state, with respect to each item or category, that inspection and related activities will be permitted as requested, unless the request is objected to, in which event the reasons for objection shall be stated. If objection is made to part of an item or category, the part shall be specified. The party submitting the request may move for an order under Subsection R151-46b-9(16) with respect to any objection to or other failure to respond to the request or any part thereof, or any failure to permit inspection as requested.

A party who produces documents for inspection shall produce them as they are kept in the usual course of business or shall organize and label them to correspond with the categories in the request.

(15) Physical and Mental Examination of Persons.

(a) Order for Examination.

When the mental or physical condition, including the blood group, of a party or of a person in the custody or under the legal control of a party is in controversy, the presiding officer may order the party to submit to a physical or mental examination by a physician or to produce for examination the person in his custody or legal control. The order may be made only on motion for good cause shown and upon notice to the person to be examined and to all parties and shall specify the time, place, manner, conditions, and scope of the examination and the person or person by whom it is to be made.

(b) Report of Examining Physician.

(i) If requested by the party against whom an order is made under Subsection (a) of this rule or the person examined, the party causing the examination to be made shall deliver to him a copy of a detailed written report of the examining physician setting out his findings, including results of all tests made, diagnoses and conclusions, together with like reports of all earlier examinations of the same condition. After delivery, the party causing the examination shall be entitled, upon request, to receive from the party against whom the order is made a like report of any examination, previously or thereafter made, of the same condition unless, in the case of a report of examination of a person not a party, the party shows that he is unable to obtain

it. The presiding officer on motion may make an order against a party requiring delivery of a report on such terms as are just, and if a physician fails or refuses to make a report, the presiding officer may exclude his testimony if offered at the hearing.

(ii) By requesting and obtaining a report of the examination so ordered or by taking the deposition of the examiner, the party examined waives any privilege he may have in that action or any other involving the same controversy, regarding the testimony of every other person who has examined or may thereafter examine him in respect of the same mental or physical condition.

(iii) Subsection R151-46b-9(15)(b) applies to examination made by agreement of the parties unless the agreement expressly provides otherwise. Subsection R151-46b-9(15)(b) does not preclude discovery of a report of an examining physician or the taking of a deposition of the physician in accordance with the provisions of any other rule.

(16) Motion to Compel Discovery; Sanctions for Failure to Make or Cooperate in Discovery.

(a) A party may request entry of an order compelling discovery as follows:

(i) If a party fails to make disclosures required by an initial prehearing order pursuant to R151-46b-9(2), or a party fails to make the disclosures required by R151-46b-9(3), or a deponent fails to answer a question propounded under Subsection R151-46b-9(13), or a corporation or other entity fails to make a designation under Subsection R151-46b-9(13)(b)(iv), or a party, in response to a request for inspection submitted under Subsection R151-46b-9(14), fails to respond that inspection will be permitted as requested or fails to permit inspection as requested, the discovering party may move for an order compelling such disclosures, or an answer, or a designation, or an order compelling inspection in accordance with the request. When taking a deposition on oral examination, the proponent of the question may complete or adjourn the examination before he applies for an order.

If the presiding officer denies the motion in whole or in part, the presiding officer may make such protective order as he would have been empowered to make on a motion made pursuant to Subsection R151-46b-9(6).

(ii) For purposes of Subsection R151-46b-9(16)(a)(i), an evasive or incomplete answer is to be treated as a failure to answer.

(b) Discovery Sanctions.

(i) If a party or other person fails to comply with an order compelling discovery issued by the presiding officer, the department may seek enforcement of that order by seeking civil enforcement in the district court as provided in Section 63-46b-19.

(ii) If a party, an officer, director, or managing agent of a party or a person designated under Subsection R151-46b-9(13)(b)(iv) to testify on behalf of a party fails to obey an order or provide or permit discovery, including an order made under Subsection R151-46b-9(16)(a), the presiding officer may make such orders in regard to the failure as are just, including:

(A) An order that the matters regarding which the order was made or any other designated facts shall be taken to be established for the purposes of the action in accordance with the claim of the party obtaining the order;

(B) An order refusing to allow the disobedient party to support or oppose designated claims or defenses, or prohibiting him from introducing designated matters in evidence;

(C) An order striking out pleadings or parts thereof, or staying further proceedings until the order is obeyed, or dismissing the action or proceeding or any part thereof, or rendering a judgment by default against the disobedient party;

(iii) If a party fails to comply with an order under Subsection R151-46b-9(15)(a) requiring him to produce another for examination, the presiding officer may enter any order listed in paragraphs (A), (B), and (C) of Subsection R151-46b-9(16)(b)(ii) unless the party failing to comply shows that he is unable to produce such person for examination.

(iv) If a party, an officer, director, or managing agent of a party or a person designated under Subsection R151-46b-9(13)(b)(iv) to testify on behalf of a party fails to appear before the officer who is to take his deposition, after being served with a proper notice, fails to serve a written response to a request for inspection submitted under Subsection R151-46b-9(14), after proper service of the request, the presiding officer on motion may make such orders in regard to the failure as are just and may take any action authorized under paragraphs (A), (B) and (C) of Subsection R151-46b-9(16)(b)(ii). In lieu of any order or in addition thereto, the presiding officer shall require the party failing to act or the attorney advising him or both to pay the reasonable expenses, including attorney's fees, caused by the failure, unless the presiding officer finds that the failure was substantially justified or that other circumstances make an award of expenses unjust.

The failure to act described in Subsection R151-46b-9(16) may not be excused on the ground that the discovery sought is objectionable unless the party failing to act has applied for a protective order as provided in Subsection R151-46b-9(6).

(v) The failure to comply with Subsections R151-46b-9(1) through R151-46b-9(15) or to honor any certification made under those rules may be found by the presiding officer to be a default under Section 63-46b-11.

R151-46b-10. Hearings.

(1) Hearings Required or Permitted.

A hearing shall be held in all adjudicative proceedings in which a hearing is:

(a) required by statute or rule and not waived by the parties; or

(b) permitted by statute or rule and timely requested.

(2) Time to Request Permissive Hearing.

A request for a hearing permitted by statute or rule must be received no later than:

(a) the time period for filing a response to a notice of agency action if a response is required or permitted;

(b) twenty days following the issuance of a notice of agency action if a response is not required or permitted; or

(c) the filing of the request for agency action.

(3) Scheduling of Hearings.

(a)(i) The date, time, and place of a hearing shall be set forth in the notice of agency action or the notice of receipt of request for agency action, or, if not known at the time of the notice, in a separate notice of hearing.

(ii) Notwithstanding the provisions of Subsection R151-46b-5(2), the hearing in any formal or informal adjudicative proceeding shall be concluded not more than 180 calendar days after the day on which:

(A) the notice of agency action was issued; or

(B) the initial decision with respect to a request for agency action was issued.

(b) Subject to the provisions of Subsection R151-46b-5(5)(b), the presiding officer may, upon a determination of good cause, issue an order modifying the date, time, or place of a hearing.

(4) Hearings Open to Public; Exceptions.

(a) Any hearing in an adjudicative proceeding is open to the public unless closed by the presiding officer conducting the hearing, pursuant to Title 63G, Chapter 4, the Administrative Procedures Act, or by a presiding officer who is a public body, pursuant to Title 52, Chapter 4, the Open and Public Meetings Act.

(b) The deliberative process of an adjudicative proceeding is a quasi-judicial function exempt from the Open and Public Meetings Act. Deliberations are closed to the public.

(5) Bifurcation of Hearing.

The presiding officer, good cause appearing, may order a hearing bifurcated into a findings phase relative to the allegations set forth in the petition, and a sanctions phase, if required, based upon the findings.

(6) Order of Presentation in Hearings.

The order of presentation of evidence in hearings in formal adjudicative proceedings shall normally be as follows:

(a) opening statement of the party with the burden of proof;

(b) opening statement of the opposing party, unless the party reserves the opening statement until the presentation of its case-in-chief;

(c) case-in-chief of the party which has the burden of proof and cross examination of witnesses by opposing party;

(d) case-in-chief of the opposing party and cross examination of witnesses by the party with the burden of proof;

(e) rebuttal case by the party which has the burden of proof;

(f) surrebuttal case by the opposing party;

(g) further rebuttal or surrebuttal as permitted by the presiding officer;

(h) closing argument by the party which has the burden of proof;

(i) closing argument by the opposing party; and

(j) final argument by the party which has the burden of proof.

(7) Testimony Under Oath.

All testimony presented at a hearing, if offered as evidence to be considered in reaching a decision on the merits, shall be given under oath administered by the presiding officer.

(8) Telephonic Testimony.

(a) Telephonic testimony is only permissible in a formal adjudicative proceeding upon the consent of the parties or if warranted by exigent circumstances. Normally, expenses which would be incurred by a party to produce in-person testimony do not constitute an exigent circumstance as to justify telephonic testimony in a formal adjudicative proceeding. Telephonic testimony is generally permissible in an informal proceeding upon the request of any party.

(b) When telephonic testimony is to be presented, the presiding officer shall require that the identity of any witness so testifying be established. The presiding officer shall also provide safeguards to assure the witness does not refer to documents improperly and to reduce the possibility the witness may be coached or influenced during their testimony.

(9) Standard of Proof.

The standard of proof in all proceedings under these rules, whether initiated by a notice of agency action or request for agency action, shall be a preponderance of the evidence.

(10) Burden of Proof.

The department has the burden of proof in any proceeding initiated by a notice of agency action. The party who seeks action from the department has the burden of proof in any proceeding initiated by a request for agency action.

(11) Default Procedures.

(a) Order entering the default of a party.

(i) The presiding officer may enter the default of a party in accordance with Section 63G-4-209, sua sponte or upon motion of a party.

(ii) A party filing a motion for entry of default shall also file an affidavit substantiating the grounds for the motion.

(iii) If the submissions establish a basis for entry of default, the presiding officer may enter the default without notice to the defaulting party or a hearing.

(b) Additional proceedings.

(i) Following the entry of default, the presiding officer may, sua sponte or upon motion of a party, conduct further proceedings and enter a final order based on the submissions filed without notice to or participation by the defaulting party when:

(A) the relief sought against the party is specifically set forth in the pleadings that were served upon that party;

(B) the factual allegations contained in those pleadings are supported by affidavit or by a verified petition; and

(C) those factual allegations, and applicable law, support the granting of the relief sought against that party.

(ii) In all other cases, the presiding officer shall not enter a final order without conducting a hearing in which the party seeking relief may submit proffers, evidence, or legal arguments in support of the relief it requests against the defaulting party. The hearing may be held without notice to or participation by the defaulting party if the pleadings served upon the defaulting party set forth the potential relief which could be obtained against such party.

(c) The order of default and the final order may be concurrently issued.

(12) Record of Hearing.

(a) Record Requirement.

The presiding officer shall cause a record to be made of all prehearing conferences and all hearings which are conducted.

(b) Record Methods.

(i) Formal Adjudicative Proceedings.

The presiding officer shall cause the record of a hearing in a formal adjudicative proceeding to be made by means of a certified court reporter pursuant to Title 58, Chapter 74, Certified Court Reporters Licensing Act, unless the presiding officer determines it to be unnecessary or impracticable, in which case he shall cause the record to be made by means of an audio or video cassette recorder or other recording device.

(ii) Informal Adjudicative Proceedings.

The presiding officer may cause a record of a hearing in an informal adjudicative proceeding to be made by a method set forth in Subsection (i) or by minutes prepared or adopted by the presiding officer.

(c) Record Expense.

The hearing in an adjudicative proceeding shall be recorded at the expense of the agency.

(d) Transcription of Record.

(i) If a party is required by Subsection R151-46b-12(3)(d) regarding agency review proceedings to obtain a transcript of a hearing, the party must ensure that the record is transcribed:

(A) in a formal adjudicative proceeding, by the certified court reporter who reported the hearing; or

(B) in an informal adjudicative proceeding, by any certified court reporter or by a person who is not a party in interest. For purposes of this Subsection, "a party in interest" is defined to include a party or a relative of the party. Neither a party's counsel nor an employee of a party's counsel is considered "a party in interest" for purposes of this Subsection.

(ii) Where a transcript is prepared by someone other than a certified court reporter, a party shall file an affidavit of the transcriber stating under penalty of perjury that the transcript is a correct and accurate transcription of the hearing record.

(iii) Pages and lines in a transcript shall be numbered for referencing purposes.

(iv) The party requesting the transcript shall bear the cost of the transcription.

(v) The original transcript of a record of a hearing shall be filed with the presiding officer.

(13) Fees.

(a) Witness Fees.

Witnesses appearing upon the demand or at the request of a party shall be entitled to receive payment from that party in the amount of $18.50 for each day in attendance and, if traveling more than 50 miles to attend and return from the hearing, shall be entitled to receive 25 cents per mile for each mile thus actually and necessarily traveled. Any witness subpoenaed by

a party other than the department may, at the time of service of the subpoena, demand one day's witness fee and mileage in advance and unless such fee is tendered, the witness shall not be required to appear.

(b) Interpreter and Translator Fees.

Interpreters and translators, including those skilled in foreign languages and communication with the deaf, shall be allowed such compensation for their services as the presiding officer may allow.

(c) Officers and Employees not Entitled to Fees - Exception.

No officer or employee of the United States, or of the State of Utah, or of any county, incorporated city or town within the State of Utah, shall receive any witness fee when testifying in an adjudicative proceeding unless the officer or employee is required to testify at a time other than during his normal working hours.

(d) Only One Fee Per Day Allowed.

No witness shall receive fees in more than one adjudicative proceeding on the same day.

R151-46b-11. Orders.

(1) Requirements.

(a) All orders issued by a presiding officer shall comply with the requirements of Subsection 63G-4-203(1)(i) or Section 63G-4-208, respectively. In the case of default orders and orders issued subsequent to a default order, the requirements of Subsections 63G-4-203(1)(i)(iii) and (iv) and 63G-4-208(1)(e),(f) and (g) are satisfied if the order includes a notice of the right to seek to set aside the order as provided in Subsection 63G-4-209(3).

(b) The presiding officer shall issue an order within 45 calendar days after the day on which the hearing concludes.

(c) If the presiding officer permits the filing of any post-hearing documents, that filing shall be scheduled in a way that allows the presiding officer to issue an order within 45 calendar days after the day on which the hearing concludes.

(d) The failure of the presiding officer to comply with the requirements of this Subsection (1) is not a basis for dismissal of the matter, and may not be considered an automatic denial or grant of any motion.

(2) Effective Date.

The effective date of the final order in an adjudicative proceeding shall be 30 days after the issuance thereof unless otherwise provided in the order.

(3) Clerical Mistakes.

Clerical mistakes in orders or other parts of the record and errors therein arising from oversight or omission may be corrected by the department on its own initiative or on the motion of any party and after such notice, if any, as the department orders. Such mistakes may be so corrected at any time prior to the docketing of a petition for judicial review or as governed by Rule 11(h) of the Utah Rules of Appellate Procedure.

R151-46b-12. Agency Review.

(1) Availability of Agency Review.

Except as otherwise provided in Subsection 63G-4-209(3)(c), an aggrieved party may obtain agency review of a final order issued in an adjudicative proceeding by filing a request with the executive director of the department within thirty days following the issuance of the order.

(2) When Agency Review Is Not Available.

(a) Agency review is not available as to any order or decision entered by the following agencies:

(i) the Real Estate Appraiser Licensing and Certification Board;

(ii) the Utah Motor Vehicle Franchise Advisory Board; and

(iii) the Utah Powersport Vehicle Franchise Advisory Board.

(b) Agency review is not available for any decisions or orders entered by the Division of Occupational and Professional Licensing as to the following matters:

(i) Prelitigation proceedings conducted pursuant to Title 78B, Chapter 3, the Utah Health Care Malpractice Act;

(ii) Requests for modification to disciplinary orders issued by the Division of Occupational and Professional Licensing; and

(iii) Requests for entry into the Diversion Program pursuant to Section 58-1-404(4).

(c) Agency review is not available for any decisions or orders entered by the Division of Corporations and Commercial Code as to the following matters:

(i) refusal to file a document under the Utah Revised Business Corporations Act pursuant to Section 16-10a-126;

(ii) revocation of a foreign corporation's authority to transact business pursuant to Section 16-10a-1532;

(iii) refusal to file a document under the Utah Revised Limited Liability Company Act pursuant to Section 48-2c-211; and

(iv) revocation of a foreign limited liability company's authority to transact business pursuant to Section 48-2c-1614.

(d)(i) Agency reconsideration may be requested for orders or decisions exempt from agency review under Subsections R151-46b-12(2)(a), (b)(ii), and (c) pursuant to Section 63G-4-302.

(ii) Agency reconsideration is not available for orders or decisions exempt from agency review under Subsections (b)(i) and (b)(iii), pursuant to Subsections 58-1-404(4)(d) and 78B-3-416(1)(c).

(3) Content of a Request for Agency Review - Transcript of Hearing - Service.

(a) The content of a request for agency review shall be in accordance with Subsection 63G-4-301(1)(b) and as provided in this Subsection. The request for agency review shall include a copy of the order that is the subject of the request.

(b) A party requesting agency review shall set forth any factual or legal basis in support of that request, including adequate supporting arguments and citation to appropriate legal authority and to the relevant portions of the record developed during the adjudicative proceeding.

(c) If a party challenges a finding of fact in the order subject to review, the party must demonstrate, based on the entire record, that the finding is not supported by substantial evidence. A party challenging the facts bears the burden to marshal or gather all of the evidence in support of a finding and to show that despite such evidence, the finding is not supported by substantial evidence. The failure to so marshal the evidence permits the executive director to accept a division's findings of fact as conclusive. A party challenging a legal conclusion must support the argument with citation to any relevant authority and also cite to those portions of the record that are relevant to that issue.

(d) If the grounds for agency review include any challenge to a determination of fact or conclusion of law as unsupported by or contrary to the evidence, the party seeking agency review shall order and cause a transcript of the record relevant to such finding or conclusion to be prepared. When a request for agency review is filed under such circumstances, the party seeking review shall certify that a transcript has been ordered and shall notify the department when the transcript will be available for filing with the department. The party seeking agency review shall bear the cost of the transcript.

(e) A party seeking agency review shall, in the manner described in R151-46b-8, file and serve upon all other parties copies of correspondence, pleadings, and other submissions. If an attorney enters an appearance on behalf of a party, service

shall thereafter be made upon that attorney, instead of directly to the party.

(f) Failure to comply with this rule may result in dismissal of the request for agency review.

(4) Stay Pending Agency Review.

(a) Upon the timely filing of a request for agency review, the party seeking review may request that the effective date of the order subject to review be stayed pending the completion of review. If a stay is not timely requested and subsequently granted, the order subject to review shall take effect according to its terms.

(b) The division or committee that issued the order subject to review may oppose the request for a stay in writing within ten days from the date the stay is requested. Failure to oppose a timely request for a stay shall result in an order granting the stay unless the department determines that a stay would not be in the best interest of the public. The department may also enter an interim order granting a stay pending a decision on the motion for a stay.

(c) In determining whether to grant a request for a stay or a motion opposing that request, the department shall review the division's or committee's findings of fact, conclusions of law and order to determine whether granting a stay would, or might reasonably be expected to, pose a significant threat to the public health, safety and welfare. The department may also issue a conditional stay by imposing terms, conditions or restrictions on a party pending agency review.

(5) Memoranda.

(a) The department may order or permit the parties to file memoranda to assist in conducting agency review. Any memoranda shall be filed consistent with these rules or as otherwise governed by any scheduling order entered by the department.

(b) When no transcript is necessary to conduct agency review, any memoranda supporting a request for such review shall be concurrently filed with the request. If a transcript is necessary to conduct agency review, any supporting memoranda shall be filed no later than 15 days after the filing of the transcript with the department.

(c) Any response to a request for agency review and any memoranda supporting that response shall be filed no later than 15 days from the filing of the request for agency review or no later than 15 days from the service of any subsequent memoranda supporting that request. Any final reply memoranda shall be filed no later than five days after the service of a response to the request for agency review.

(6) Oral Argument.

The request for agency review or the response thereto shall state whether oral argument is sought in conjunction with agency review. The department may order or permit oral argument if the department determines such argument is warranted to assist in conducting agency review.

(7) Standard of Review.

The standards for agency review correspond to the standards for judicial review of formal adjudicative proceedings, as set forth in Subsection 63G-4-403(4).

(8) Type of Relief.

The type of relief available on agency review shall be the same as the type of relief available on judicial review, as set forth in Subsection 63G-4-404(1)(b).

(9) Order on Review.

The order on review shall comply with the requirements of Subsection 63G-4-301(6).

R151-46b-14. Exhaustion of Administrative Remedies.

(1) In accordance with Section 63-46b-14, an aggrieved party may seek judicial review of a final order only after exhausting all administrative remedies available.

(2) The order on review constitutes final agency action for purposes of Subsection 63-46b-14(1).

R151-46b-15. Stay and Other Temporary Remedies Pending Judicial Review.

(1) Unless otherwise provided by statute, a motion for a stay of an order or other temporary remedy during the pendency of judicial review shall include:

(a) a statement of the reasons for the relief requested;

(b) a statement of the facts relied upon;

(c) affidavits or other sworn statements if the facts are subject to dispute;

(d) relevant portions of the record of the adjudicative proceeding and agency review thereof;

(e) a memorandum of law identifying the issues to be presented on appeal and supporting the aggrieved party's position that those issues raise a substantial question of law or fact reasonably likely to result in reversal, remand for a new hearing, or relief from the order entered;

(f) clear and convincing evidence that if the requested stay or other temporary remedy is not granted, the aggrieved party will suffer irreparable injury;

(g) clear and convincing evidence that if the requested stay or other temporary remedy is granted, it will not substantially harm other parties to the proceeding; and

(h) clear and convincing evidence that if the requested stay or other temporary remedy is granted, the aggrieved party will not pose a significant danger to public health, safety and welfare.

(2) The executive director of the department may grant a motion for a stay of an order or other temporary remedy during the pendency of judicial review upon a showing by the aggrieved party that the requirements for such relief established in this rule are met.

R151-46b-16. Emergency Adjudicative Proceedings.

Unless otherwise provided by statute or rule:

(1) When a division commences an emergency adjudicative proceeding and issues an order in accordance with Section 63-46b-20 which results in a continued impairment of the affected party's rights or legal interests, the division that issued the emergency order shall schedule a hearing upon written request of the affected party to determine whether the emergency order should be affirmed, set aside, or modified based on the standards set forth in Section 63-46b-20. The hearing will be conducted in conformity with Section 63-46b-8.

(2) Upon request for a hearing pursuant to this rule, the Division will conduct a hearing as soon as reasonably practical but not later than 20 days from the receipt of a written request unless the Division and the party requesting the hearing agree to conduct the hearing at a later date. The Division shall have the burden of proof to establish, by a preponderance of the evidence, that the requirements of Section 63-46b-20 have been met.

(3) Except as otherwise provided by statute, the division director or his designee shall select an individual or body of individuals to act as the presiding officer at the hearing. The presiding officer shall not include any individual who directly participated in issuing the emergency order.

(4) Within a reasonable time after the hearing, the presiding officer shall issue an order in accordance with the requirements of Section 63-46b-10. The order of the presiding officer shall be considered final agency action with respect to the emergency adjudicative proceeding and shall be subject to agency review in accordance with Section R151-46b-12.

R151-46b-17. Declaratory Orders.

(1) Filing of Petition for Declaratory Order.

A petition for the issuance of a declaratory order shall be filed with the agency head which has primary jurisdiction to

enforce or implement the statute, rule, or order for which a declaratory order is sought. The petition shall set forth the question to be answered, the facts and circumstances related to the question, the statute, rule, or order to be applied to the question, and whether oral argument is sought in conjunction with the petition. The Petition shall comply with the requirements for pleadings set forth in Section R151-46b-7.

(2) Disposition of Petition.

Upon receipt of a petition for a declaratory order, the agency head shall issue a written order in accordance with Subsection 63-46b-21(6) or allow the petition to be denied in accordance with Subsection 63-46b-21(7).

(a) If the agency head issues a declaratory order declaring the applicability of the statute, rule, or order in question to the specified facts and circumstances set forth in the petition without setting the matter for an adjudicative proceeding, the order shall be based upon a review of the petition and oral argument upon the petition, if any; laws and rules applicable to the petition; records maintained by the agency; or any other relevant information reasonably available to the agency.

(b) If the agency head sets the matter for an adjudicative proceeding, a notice of adjudicative proceeding shall be issued in accordance with the requirements of Subsection 63-46b-3(2)(a), to the extent applicable.

(3) Classes of Circumstances in Which the Agency Will Not Issue a Declaratory Order.

The following are defined as classes of circumstances in which the agency will not issue a declaratory order:

(a) questions involving circumstances set forth in Subsection 63-46b-21(3)(a)(ii) or (3)(b);

(b) questions which are not within the jurisdiction of the agency to address;

(c) questions which have already been adequately addressed by an agency in the form of an order;

(d) questions which can be adequately addressed by an agency in the form of informal advice;

(e) questions which are already clearly addressed by statute or rule and do not warrant a declaratory order;

(f) questions which are more properly addressed by statute or rule;

(g) questions which arise out of pending or anticipated litigation in a civil, criminal, or administrative forum which are more properly addressed by that forum; and

(h) questions which are irrelevant, insignificant, meaningless, or spurious.

(4) Agency Review.

The recipient of a declaratory order may request agency review pursuant to Section 63-46b-12 and these rules.

R151-46b-18. Record of an Adjudicative Proceeding.

(1) Definition.

The record of an adjudicative proceeding includes the pleadings and exhibits filed by the parties, the recording of any hearing under Subsection R151-46b-10(11), any transcript of a hearing, and orders or other documents issued by any presiding officer in the adjudicative proceeding or on agency review or reconsideration of the adjudicative proceeding.

(2) Retention.

The record of an adjudicative proceeding shall be retained by the department pursuant to Title 63, Chapter 2, the Government Records Access and Management Act ("GRAMA"). As used herein, "department" means the department, division or committee before whom the adjudicative proceeding was conducted.

(3) Classification.

The record of an adjudicative proceeding is classified as a "public record" except as otherwise classified by the department pursuant to GRAMA.

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R156. Commerce, Occupational and Professional Licensing.
R156-26a. Certified Public Accountant Licensing Act Rule.
R156-26a-101. Title.

This rule is known as the "Certified Public Accountant Licensing Act Rule".

R156-26a-102. Definitions.

In addition to the definitions in Title 58, Chapters 1 and 26a, as defined or used in this rule:

(1) "Administering organization" means an organization approved by the Division of Occupational and Professional Licensing and the Utah Board of Accountancy which will administer peer reviews in the Peer Review Program.

(2) "AICPA" means American Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

(3) "Incidental to regular practice" as defined in Subsection 58-26a-305(1)(b) is further defined to mean:

(a) An individual or a firm licensed as a certified public accountant or equivalent designation in any other state, district, or territory of the United States or any foreign country may perform services in this state for a client whose principal office or residence is located outside of this state as long as the services are incidental to primary services being performed outside of this state for that client.

(b) An individual or firm licensed in another jurisdiction, as incidental to their practice in such other jurisdiction, may advertise in this state that their services are available by any means including, but not limited to television, radio, newspaper, magazine or Internet advertising provided such representations are not false, misleading or deceptive; and provided that such individual or firm does not establish a CPA/Client relationship to perform services requiring a CPA license or CPA firm registration with any individual, business or other legal entity having its principal office or residence in this state without first obtaining a CPA license and CPA firm registration in this state.

(c) Incidental to regular practice in another jurisdiction includes a licensed CPA or equivalent designation continuing a CPA/Client relationship with an individual which originated while the client's residence was located outside of this state but thereafter the client moved their residence to this state.

(4) "Qualified continuing professional education (CPE)" as used in this rule means continuing education that meets the standards set forth in Section R156-26a-303b.

(5) "Standard setting bodies" means the Financial Accounting Standards Board, the Government Accounting Standards Board, the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, the Securities and Exchange Commission, and the Federal Accounting Standards Advisory Board and other generally recognized standard setting bodies.

(6) "Unprofessional conduct" as defined in Title 58, Chapters 1 and 26a, is further defined, in accordance with Subsection 58-1-203(1)(e), in Section R156-26a-501.

(7) "Year of review" means the calendar year during which a peer review is to be conducted.

R156-26a-103. Authority.

This rule is adopted by the Division under the authority of Subsection 58-1-106(1)(a) to enable the Division to administer Title 58, Chapter 26a.

R156-26a-104. Organization - Relationship to Rule R156-1.

The organization of this rule and its relationship to Rule R156-1 is as described in Section R156-1-107.

R156-26a-201. Advisory Peer Committees Created - Membership - Duties.

(1) There is created in accordance with Subsection 58-1-203(1)(f), the Education Advisory Committee to the Utah Board of Accountancy consisting of one full-time faculty from each of five or more colleges or universities in Utah which has an accredited program as set forth in Section R156-26a-302a(1)(a), a majority of which committee are to be licensed CPAs.

(2) The Education Advisory Committee shall be appointed and serve in accordance with Section R156-1-205. The duties and responsibilities of the Education Advisory Committee shall include assisting the Division in collaboration with the Board in their duties, functions, and responsibilities and shall include:

(a) advising the Board as to the acceptability of an educational institution;

(b) assisting the Board to make a final determination pursuant to R156-26a-302a(4)(c) of whether an applicant is qualified to sit for the AICPA examination; and

(c) advising the Board regarding proposed changes to rules.

(3) The committee shall consider, when advising the Board of the acceptability of the educational institution, the following:

(a) the institution's accreditation;

(b) the acceptability by other state licensing boards;

(c) the faculty qualifications; and

(d) other educational resources.

(4) There is created in accordance with Subsection 58-1-203(1)(f), the Peer Review Committee to the Utah Board of Accountancy consisting of not more than ten licensed CPAs. The committee shall be appointed and serve in accordance with Section R156-1-205.

(5) The duties and responsibilities of the Peer Review Committee shall be advising the Board on peer reviews matters and shall include:

(a) reviewing the results of peer reviews administered by approved organizations and requiring corrective action of firms with significant deficiencies noted in the review process when considered necessary in addition to those required by the administering organization;

(b) evaluating compliance of CPE programs;

(c) performing random audits to determine compliance with the CPE requirements and the standards for CPE programs;

(d) reviewing complaints and recommending whether certain acts, practices or omissions violate the ethical standards of the profession;

(e) providing technical assistance to the Division; and

(f) serving as expert witnesses at administrative hearings.

R156-26a-302a. Qualifications for CPA Licensure - Education Requirements.

The education requirements for CPA licensure in Subsection 58-26a-302(1)(d) are defined, clarified, or established as follows:

(1) An applicant shall submit transcripts showing completion of course work consisting of a minimum of 150 semester hours (225 quarter hours) as follows:

(a) a graduate or undergraduate program within an institution whose business or accounting education program is accredited by the Association of Advanced Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB), or the Association of Collegiate Business Schools and Programs (ACBSP), from which the applicant received one of the following:

(i) a graduate degree in accounting;

(ii) a graduate degree in taxation, or a master of business administration degree which includes not less than:

(A) 24 semester hours (36 quarter hours) in upper division accounting courses covering the subjects of financial accounting, auditing, taxation, and management accounting;

(B) 15 semester hours (23 quarter hours) graduate level accounting courses covering the subjects of financial accounting, auditing, taxation, and management accounting;

(C) an equivalent combination of graduate and upper division accounting courses covering the subjects of financial

accounting, auditing, taxation, and management accounting with one hour of graduate level course work being equivalent to 1.6 hours of upper division course work; or

(iii) a baccalaureate degree in business or accounting and 30 semester hours (45 quarter hours) beyond the requirements for a baccalaureate degree which includes not less than:

(A) 16 semester hours (24 quarter hours) in upper division accounting courses, which when combined with the accounting courses listed in Subsection (B) below, have at least one course with a minimum of two semester hours (three quarter hours) each covering the subjects of financial accounting, auditing, taxation, and management accounting;

(B) eight semester hours (12 quarter hours) in graduate level accounting courses, which when combined with the accounting courses listed in Subsection (A) above, have at least one course each covering the subjects of financial accounting, auditing, taxation, and management accounting;

(C) 12 semester hours (18 quarter hours) in upper division non-accounting business courses;

(D) 12 semester hours (18 quarter hours) in graduate level business or accounting courses; and

(E) 10 semester hours (15 quarter hours) of either graduate or upper division accounting or business courses.

(b) a graduate or undergraduate program from an institution accredited by the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities, North Central Association of Colleges and Schools, Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools, New England Association of Colleges and Schools, Southern Association of Colleges and Schools and Western Association of Schools and Colleges from which the applicant received a baccalaureate or graduate degree with not less than:

(i) 30 semester hours (45 quarter hours) in business or related courses providing a minimum of two semester hours (three quarter hours) in each of the following subjects:

(A) business law;
(B) computers;
(C) economics;
(D) ethics;
(E) finance;
(F) statistics and quantitative methods;
(G) written and oral communications; and
(H) business administration such as marketing, production, management, policy or organizational behavior;

(ii) 24 semester hours (36 quarter hours) in upper division accounting courses with a minimum of two semester hours (three quarter hours) in each of the following subjects:

(A) auditing;
(B) finance;
(C) managerial or cost;
(D) systems; and
(E) taxes; and

(iii) 30 semester hours (45 quarter hours) beyond the requirements for a baccalaureate degree of additional business related course work including not less than:

(A) eight semester hours (12 quarter hours) in graduate accounting courses;

(B) 12 semester hours (18 quarter hours) in graduate accounting or graduate business courses; and

(C) 10 semester hours (15 quarter hours) of additional business related hours shall be taken in upper division undergraduate or graduate level courses.

(2) The Division in collaboration with the Board or the education subcommittee of the board may make a written finding for cause that a particular accredited institution or program is not acceptable.

(3) The Division in collaboration with the Board or the education subcommittee of the board may accept education of a person who holds a license as a certified public accountant or equivalent designation in a foreign country, if the applicant has obtained from the National Association of State Boards of Accountancy (NASBA) verification of compliance with the terms of an agreement for reciprocal licensure between the foreign country and the International Qualifications Appraisal Board of NASBA, which agreement provides the applicant's examinations, education and experience is determined to be substantially equivalent to the 2007 Uniform Accountancy Act licensure requirements or a version of the Uniform Accountancy Act having substantially equivalent requirements.

(4) In accordance with Section 58-26a-306, the qualifications to sit for the AICPA examination are clarified or supplemented as follows:

(a) In accordance with Subsection 58-26a-306(1)(a), the form of application approved by the Division shall be the application that CPA Examination Services (CPAES) requires in order to sit for the examination.

(b) In accordance with Subsection 58-26a-306(1)(b), the fee shall be the fee charged by CPAES. No additional fee shall be due to the Division.

(c) In accordance with Subsections 58-26a-306(1)(c) and (d), the Board has approved CPAES to make the determination of whether the applicant has met the education requirements, provided however that, if an applicant disputes the finding of CPAES, the Board shall make a final determination of whether the applicant is qualified to sit for the AICPA examination.

R156-26a-302b. Qualifications for Licensure - Experience Requirements.

In accordance with Subsections 58-1-203(1)(b) and 58-1-301(3), the experience requirements for licensure in Section 58-26a-302 are clarified, or supplemented as follows:

(1) The Division in collaboration with the board may accept experience of a person who holds a license as a certified public accountant or equivalent designation in a foreign country, if the applicant has obtained from the National Association of State Boards of Accountancy (NASBA) verification of compliance with the terms of an agreement for reciprocal licensure between the foreign country and the International Qualifications Appraisal Board of NASBA, which agreement provides the applicant's examinations, education and experience is determined to be substantially equivalent to the 2007 Uniform Accountancy Act licensure requirements or a version of the Uniform Accountancy Act having substantially equivalent requirements.

R156-26a-302c. Qualifications for Licensure - Examinations.

The Division in collaboration with the Board may accept testing of a person who holds a license as a certified public accountant or equivalent designation in a foreign country, if the applicant has obtained from the National Association of State Boards of Accountancy (NASBA) verification of compliance with the terms of an agreement for reciprocal licensure between the foreign country and the International Qualifications Appraisal Board of NASBA, which agreement provides the applicant's examinations, education and experience is determined to be substantially equivalent to the 2007 Uniform Accountancy Act licensure requirements or a version of the Uniform Accountancy Act having substantially equivalent requirements.

R156-26a-303a. Renewal Requirements - Peer Review.

(1) General.

In accordance with Subsections 58-1-308(3)(b) and 58-26a-303(2)(b), there is created a peer review requirement as a condition for renewal of licenses issued under the Certified Public Accountant Licensing Act, providing for review of the work products of licensees and firms.

(a) The purpose of the program is to monitor compliance

with applicable accounting and auditing standards adopted by generally recognized standard setting bodies.

(b) The program shall emphasize education and may include other remedial actions determined appropriate where a firm's work product and services do not comply with established professional standards.

(c) In the event a firm is unwilling or unable to comply with established standards, or intentionally disregards professional standards so as to warrant disciplinary action, the administering organization shall refer the matter to the Division and shall consult with the Division regarding appropriate action to protect the public interest.

(2) Scheduling of the Peer Review.

(a) A firm's initial peer review shall be assigned a due date to require that the initial review be started no later than 18 months after the date of the issuance of its initial report as defined in Subsection 58-26a-102(20).

(b) Not less than once in each three years a firm engaged in the practice of public accounting shall undergo, at its own expense, a peer review commensurate in scope with its practice.

(c) The administering organization will assign the year of review.

(d) A portion of the peer review may be performed by a regulatory body if the Utah Board of Accountancy approves the regulatory body as an administering organization. This does not by itself satisfy the peer review requirement unless the other standards as specified in this rule are fulfilled by the regulatory body.

(3) Selection of a Peer Reviewer or inspector in the case of inspections mandated by law or regulatory bodies.

A firm scheduled for peer review shall engage a reviewer qualified to conduct the peer review. Regulatory bodies will assign inspectors.

(4) Qualifications of a Peer Reviewer and inspectors.

(a) Peer reviewers must provide evidence of one of the two following minimum qualifications to the administering organization:

(i) acceptance as a peer reviewer by the AICPA; or

(ii) compliance with the qualifications required by the AICPA to qualify as a peer reviewer.

(b) Peer reviewers must be licensed or hold a permit to practice as a CPA in the state of Utah or another state or jurisdiction of the United States.

(c) The administering organization will approve reviewers for those reviews not administered by the AICPA.

(d) Regulatory bodies will determine the qualifications of inspectors.

(5) Conduct of the Peer Review or inspection. Peer reviews shall be conducted as follows:

(a) Peer reviews shall be conducted according to the "Standards for Performing and Reporting on Peer Reviews" promulgated by the AICPA, effective January 1, 2005 as amended, which are hereby incorporated by reference and adopted as the minimum standards for peer reviews of all firms. This section shall not require any firm or licensee to become a member of the AICPA or any administering organization.

(b) The Utah Board of Accountancy may review the standards used by the regulatory body to determine if those standards are sufficient to satisfy all or part of the peer review requirements, or what additional review may be required to meet the peer review requirements under this rule.

(6) If an administering organization finds that a peer review was not performed in accordance with this rule or the peer review results in a modified or adverse report or in repeat findings, the Peer Review Committee may require remedial action to assure that the review or performance of the CPA or CPA firm being reviewed meets the objectives of the peer review program.

(7) Review of Multi-State Firms.

(a) With respect to a multi-state firm, the Division may accept a peer review based solely upon work conducted outside of this state as satisfying the requirement to undergo peer review under this rule, if:

(i) the peer review is conducted during the year scheduled or rescheduled under R156-26a-303a(2);

(ii) the peer review is performed in accordance with requirements equivalent to those of this state;

(iii) the peer review:

(A) studies, evaluates and reports on the quality control system of the firm as a whole in the case of on-site reviews; or

(B) results in an evaluation and report on selected engagements in the case of off-site reviews;

(iv) the firm's internal inspection procedures require that the firm's personnel from another office outside the state perform the inspection of the office located in this state not less than once in each three year period; and

(v) at the conclusion of the peer review, the peer reviewer issues a report equivalent to that required by R156-26a-303a(5) or in the case of an approved regulatory body, a report is issued under their standards.

(b) A multi-state firm seeking approval under R156-26a-303a(7)(a) shall submit an application to the administering organization by February 1 of the year of review establishing that the peer review it proposes to undergo meets all of the requirements of R156-26a-303a(5).

(8) A firm which does not perform services encompassed in the scope of minimum standards as set out in R156-26a-303a(5)(a) or (b) is exempt from peer review and shall notify the Division of Occupational and Professional Licensing of the exemption at the time of renewal of its registration. A firm which begins providing these services must commence a peer review within 18 months of the date of the issuance of its initial report as defined in Subsection 58-26a-102(16).

(9) Mergers, Combinations, Dissolutions or Separations.

(a) Mergers or combinations: In the event that two or more firms are merged or sold and combined, the surviving firm shall retain the year of review of the largest firm.

(b) Dissolutions or separations: In the event that a firm is divided, the new firms shall retain the year of review of the former firm. In the event that this period is less than 12 months, a new year shall be assigned so that the review occurs after 12 months of operation.

(c) Upon application to the administering organization and a showing of hardship caused solely by compliance with R156-26a-303a(10), the Division may authorize a change in a firm's year of review.

(10) If the firm can demonstrate that the time established for the conduct of a peer review will create an unreasonable hardship upon the firm, the Division may approve an extension not to exceed 180 days from the date the peer review was originally scheduled. A request for extension shall be addressed in writing by the firm to the Division with a copy to the administering organization responsible for administration of that firm's peer review. The written request for extension must be received by the Division and the administering organization not less than 30 days prior to the date of scheduled review or the request will not be considered. The Division shall inform the administering organization of the approval of any extension.

(11) Retention of Documents Relating to Peer Reviews.

(a) All documentation necessary to establish that each peer review was performed in conformity with peer review standards adopted by the Board, including the peer review working papers, the peer review report, comment letters and related correspondence indicating the firm's concurrence or nonconcurrence, and any proposed remedial actions and related implementation shall be maintained.

(b) The documents described in R156-26a-303a(11)(a) shall be retained for a period of time corresponding to the

designated retention period of the relevant administering organization. In no event shall the retention period be less than 90 days.

(12) Costs and Fees for Peer Review.

(a) All costs associated with firm-on-firm reviews will be negotiated between the firm and the reviewer and paid directly to the reviewer. All costs associated with committee assigned review team (CART) reviews will be set by the administering organization. The administering organization will collect the fees associated with CART reviews and pay the reviewer.

(b) All costs associated with the administration of the review process will be paid from fees charged to the firms. The fees will be collected by the administering organization. The schedule of fees will be included in the administering organization's proposal. The fee schedule will specify how much is to be paid each year and will be based on the firm size.

(13) All financial statements, working papers, or other documents reviewed are confidential. Access to those documents shall be limited to being made available, upon request, to the Peer Review Committee or the technical reviewer for purposes of assuring that peer reviews are performed according to professional standards.

R156-26a-303b. Renewal and Reinstatement Requirements - Continuing Professional Education (CPE).

(1) All CPAs are required to maintain current knowledge, skills, and abilities in all areas in which they provide services in order to provide services in a competent manner. To maintain or to obtain the knowledge, skills and abilities to competently provide services, a CPA may be required to obtain CPE above and beyond the 80 minimum CPE credits specified in Section 58-26a-304.

The following standards have been broadly stated in recognition of the diversity of practice and experience among CPAs. They establish a framework for the development, presentation, measurement, and reporting of CPE programs and thereby help to ensure that CPAs maintain the required knowledge, skills and abilities necessary to competently provide services and to enable to the CPA to provide evidence of meeting the minimum CPE requirements specified under this rule.

(2) General Standards for CPAs.

(a) Standard No. 1. All CPAs must participate in CPE learning activities that maintain and/or improve their professional competence. This CPE must include a minimum of 80 hours of CPE in each two-year period ending on December 31 of each odd numbered year.

(i) The term "must", as used in these standards, means departure from those specific standards is not permitted. The term "should", as used in these standards, means that CPAs and CPE program sponsors are expected to follow such standards as written and are required to justify any departures from such standards when unusual circumstances warrant such departures.

(ii) Selection of CPE learning activities should be a thoughtful, reflective process addressing the individual CPA's current and future professional plans, current knowledge and skills level, and desired or needed additional competence to meet future opportunities and/or professional responsibilities.

(iii) A CPA's field of employment does not limit the need for CPE. CPAs performing professional services need to have a broad range of knowledge, skills, and abilities. Thus, the concept of professional competence should be interpreted broadly. Accordingly, acceptable continuing education encompasses programs contributing to the development and maintenance of both technical and non-technical professional skills.

(iv) Acceptable CPE subjects include accounting, assurance/auditing, consulting services, specialized knowledge and applications, management, taxation, and ethics. Other subjects, including personal development, may also be acceptable if they maintain and/or improve the CPA's professional competence. Such subjects may include, but are not limited to: accounting and auditing, taxation, management advisory services, information technology, communication arts, mathematics, statistics, probability and quantitative analysis, economics, business law and litigation support, functional fields of business such as finance, production, marketing, personnel relations, development and management, business management and organizations, social environment of business, and specialized areas of industry such as film industry, real estate, or farming.

(v) To help guide their professional development, CPAs may find it useful to develop a learning plan. The learning plan can be used to evaluate learning and professional competence development.

(A) A learning plan means a structured process that helps guide CPAs in their professional development. A learning plan is used to evaluate and document learning and professional competence development. A learning plan should be reviewed regularly and modified as a CPA's professional competence needs change. A learning plan should include:

(I) a self-assessment of the gap between current and needed knowledge, skills, and abilities;

(II) a set of learning objectives arising from this assessment; and

(III) learning activities to be undertaken to fulfill the learning plan.

(b) Standard No 2. CPAs should comply with all applicable CPE requirements and should claim CPE credit only for CPE programs when the CPE program sponsors have complied with the Standards for CPE Program Presentation (Nos. 8 - 11) and Standard for CPE Program Reporting No. 17.

(i) In addition to minimum CPE requirements specified in this rule, CPAs are responsible for compliance with all applicable CPE requirements, rules, and regulations of other state licensing bodies, other governmental entities and other professional organizations or bodies who have standard setting authority. CPAs should contact each appropriate entity to which they report to determine its specific requirements or any exceptions it may have to the standards presented herein.

(ii) Periodically, CPAs may participate in learning activities which do not comply with all applicable CPE requirements, for example specialized industry programs offered through industry sponsors. If CPAs propose to claim credit for such learning activities, they should retain all relevant information regarding the program to provide documentation to the Division, other state licensing bodies, and/or all other professional organizations or bodies showing that the learning activity is equivalent to one which meets all these or other applicable Standards.

(c) Standard No. 3. CPAs are responsible for accurate reporting of CPE credits earned and should retain appropriate documentation of their participation in learning activities, including: name and contact information of CPE program sponsor, title and description of content, date of program, location and number of CPE credits, all of which should be included in documentation provided by the CPE program sponsor.

(i) Although CPAs are required to document a minimum level of CPE hours, through periodic reporting of CPE, the objective of CPE must always be maintenance/enhancement of professional competence, not just attainment of minimum credits.

(ii) Compliance with regulatory and other requirements mandates that CPAs keep documentation of their participation in activities designed to maintain and/or improve professional competence. In the absence of legal or other requirements for longer retention, a CPA must retain documentation for a

minimum of five years from the end of the year in which the learning activities were completed.

(iii) Participants must document their claims of CPE credit. Examples of acceptable evidence of completion include:

(A) For group and independent study programs, a certificate or other verification supplied by the CPE program sponsor.

(B) For self-study programs, a certificate supplied by the CPE program sponsor after satisfactory completion of an examination.

(C) For instruction credit, a certificate or other verification supplied by the CPE program sponsor.

(D) For a university or college course that is successfully completed for credit, a record or transcript of the grade the participant received.

(E) For university or college non-credit courses, a certificate of attendance issued by a representative of the university or college.

(F) For published articles, books, or CPE programs, (1) a copy of the publication (or in the case of a CPE program, course development documentation) that names the writer as author or contributor, (2) a statement from the writer supporting the number of CPE hours claimed, and (3) the name and contact information of the independent reviewer or publisher.

(d) Standard No. 4. CPAs who complete sponsored learning activities that maintain or improve their professional competence should claim the CPE credits recommended by CPE program sponsors.

(i) CPAs may participate in a variety of sponsored learning activities, such as workshops, seminars and conferences, self-study courses, Internet-based programs, and independent study. While CPE program sponsors determine credits, CPAs should claim credit only for activities through which they maintained or improved their professional competence. CPAs who participate in only part of a program should claim CPE credit only for the portion they attended or completed.

(ii) In order to qualify as CPE, an Internet-based program must qualify as a group program as provided in Subsection R156-26a-303b(3)(b)(i) or as a self-study program as provided in Subsection R156-26a-303b(3)(g).

(e) Standard No. 5. CPAs may engage in independent study under the direction of a CPE program sponsor who has met the applicable standards for CPE program sponsors when the subject matter and level of study maintain or improve their professional competence.

(i) Independent study is an educational process designed to permit a participant to learn a given subject under the guidance of a CPE program sponsor one-on-one. Participants in an independent study program should:

(A) Enter into a written learning contract with a CPE program sponsor who must comply with the applicable standards for CPE program sponsors.

(B) Accept the written recommendation of the CPE program sponsor as to the number of credits to be earned upon successful completion of the proposed learning activities. CPE credits will be awarded only if:

(I) all the requirements of the independent study as outlined in the learning contract are met;

(II) the CPE program sponsor reviews and signs the participant's report;

(III) the CPE program sponsor reports to the participant the actual credits earned; and

(IV) the CPE program sponsor provides the participant with contact information.

(ii) The credits to be recommended by an independent study CPE program sponsor should be agreed upon in advance and should be equated to the effort expended to improve professional competence. The credits cannot exceed the time devoted to the learning activities and may be less than the actual time involved.

(iii) Retain the necessary documentation to satisfy regulatory requirements as to the content, inputs, and outcomes of the independent study.

(iv) Complete the program of independent study in 15 weeks or less.

(3) Standards for CPE Program Sponsors (Standard 1), Standards for CPE Program Development (Standards 2-7), Standards for CPE Program Presentation (Standards 8-11), Standards for Program Measurement (Standards 12-16), and Standards for CPE Program Reporting (Standards 17-18). "CPE sponsor", as used herein, means the individual or organization responsible for setting learning objectives, developing the program materials to achieve such objectives, offering a program to participants, and maintaining the documentation required by these standards. The term "CPE program sponsor" may include associations of CPAs, whether formal or informal, as well as employers who offer in-house programs.

(a) Standard No. 1. CPE program sponsors are responsible for compliance with all applicable standards and other CPE requirements.

(i) In addition to the minimum requirements under this rule, CPE program sponsors may have to meet specific CPE requirements of other state licensing bodies, other governmental entities, and/or other professional organizations or bodies. CPE program sponsors should contact the appropriate entity to determine requirements.

(b) Standard No. 2. Sponsored learning activities must be based on relevant learning objectives and outcomes that clearly articulate the knowledge, skills, and abilities that can be achieved by participants in the learning activities.

(i) Learning activities, meaning an educational endeavor that improves or maintains professional competence, provided by CPE program sponsors for the benefit of CPAs, should specify the level, content, and learning objectives so that potential participants can determine if the learning activities are appropriate to their professional competence development needs. Learning activity levels include, for example, basic, intermediate, advanced, update, and overview as defined as follows:

(A) Advanced. Learning activity level most useful for individuals with mastery of the particular topic. This level focuses on the development of in-depth knowledge, a variety of skills, or a broader range of applications. Advanced level programs are often appropriate for seasoned professionals within organizations; however, they may also be beneficial for other professionals with specialized knowledge in a subject area.

(B) Basic. Learning activity level most beneficial to CPAs new to a skill or an attribute. These individuals are often at the staff or entry level in organizations, although such programs may also benefit a seasoned professional with limited exposure to the area.

(C) Intermediate. Learning activity level that builds on a basic program, most appropriate for CPAs with detailed knowledge in an area. Such persons are often at a mid-level within the organization, with operational and/or supervisory responsibilities.

(D) Overview. Learning activity level that provides a general review of a subject area from a broad perspective. These programs may be appropriate for professionals at all organizational levels.

(E) Update. Learning activity level that provides a general review of new developments. This level is for participants with a background in the subject area who desire to keep current.

(c) Standard No. 3. CPE program sponsors should develop and execute learning activities in a manner consistent with the prerequisite education, experience, and/or advance preparation of participants.

(i) To the extent it is possible to do so, CPE program sponsors should make every attempt to equate program content and level with the backgrounds of intended participants. All programs must clearly identify prerequisite education, experience, and/or advance preparation, if any, in precise language so that potential participants can readily ascertain whether they qualify for the program.

(d) Standard No. 4. CPE program sponsors must use activities, materials, and delivery systems that are current, technically accurate, and effectively designed, and include discussions of ethical issues that may apply to the subject matter. CPE program sponsors must be qualified in the subject matter.

(i) To best facilitate the learning process, sponsored programs and materials must be prepared, presented and updated in a timely manner. Learning activities must be developed by individuals or teams having expertise in the subject matter. Expertise may be demonstrated through practical experience or education.

(ii) CPE program sponsors must review the course materials periodically to ensure that they are accurate and consistent with currently accepted standards relating to the program's subject matter.

(e) Standard No. 5. CPE program sponsors of group and self-study programs must ensure learning activities are reviewed by qualified persons other than those who developed them to ensure that the program is technically accurate and current and addresses the stated learning objectives. These reviews must occur before the first presentation of these materials and again after each significant revision of the CPE programs.

(i) Individuals or teams qualified in the subject matter must review programs. When it is impractical to review certain programs in advance, such as lectures given only once, greater reliance should be placed on the recognized professional competence of the instructors or presenters. Using independent reviewing organizations familiar with these standards may enhance quality assurance.

(f) Standard No. 6. CPE program sponsors of independent study learning activities must be qualified in the subject matter.

(i) A CPE program sponsor of independent study learning activities must have expertise in the specific subject area related to the independent study. The CPE program sponsor must also:

(A) Review, evaluate, approve and sign the proposed independent study learning contract, including agreeing in advance on the number of credits to be recommended upon successful completion.

(B) Review and sign the written report developed by the participant in independent study.

(C) Retain the necessary documentation to satisfy regulatory requirements as to the content, inputs, and outcomes of the independent study.

(g) Standard No. 7. Self-study programs must employ learning methodologies that clearly define learning objectives, guide the participant through the learning process, and provide evidence of a participant's satisfactory completion of the program.

(i) To guide participants through a learning process, CPE program sponsors of self-study programs must elicit participant responses to test for understanding of the material, offer evaluative feedback to incorrect responses, and provide reinforcement feedback to correct responses. To provide evidence of satisfactory completion of the course, CPE program sponsors of self-study programs must require participants to successfully complete a final examination with a minimum-passing grade of at least 70 percent before issuing CPE credit for the course.

(A) Evaluative feedback, as used in this subsection, means: specific response to incorrect answers to questions in self-study programs. Unique feedback must be provided for each incorrect response, as each one is likely to be wrong for differing reasons.

(B) Reinforcement feedback, as used in this subsection, means: specific responses to correct answers to questions in self-study programs. Such feedback restates why the answer selected was correct.

(ii) Examinations may contain questions of varying format (for example, multiple-choice, essay and simulations.) If objective type questions are used, at least five questions per CPE credit must be included on the final examination. For example, the final examination for a five-credit course must include at least 25 questions.

(iii) Self-study programs must be based on materials specifically developed for instructional use. Self-study programs requiring only the reading of general professional literature, IRS publications, or reference manuals followed by a test will not be acceptable. However, the use of the publications and reference materials in self-study programs as supplements to the instructional materials could qualify if the self-study program complies with each of the CPE standards.

(h) Standard No. 8. CPE program sponsors must provide descriptive materials that enable CPAs to assess the appropriateness of learning activities. To accomplish this, CPE program sponsors must inform participants in advance of: learning objectives, prerequisites, program level, program content, advance preparation, instructional delivery methods, recommended CPE credit, and course registration requirements. Instructional delivery methods, as used in this subsection, means: delivery strategies such as case studies, computer-assisted learning, lectures, group participation, programmed instruction, teleconferencing, use of audiovisual aids, or work groups employed in group, self-study, or independent study programs.

(i) For potential participants to effectively plan their CPE, the program sponsor should disclose the significant features of the program in advance (e.g., through the use of brochures, Internet notices, invitations, direct mail, or other announcements). When CPE programs are offered in conjunction with non-educational activities, or when several CPE programs are offered concurrently, participants should receive an appropriate schedule of events indicating those components that are recommended for CPE credit. The CPE program sponsor's registration policies and procedures should be formalized, published, and made available to participants.

(ii) CPE program sponsors should distribute program materials in a timely manner and encourage participants to complete any advance preparation requirements. All programs should clearly identify prerequisite education, experience, and/or advance preparation requirements, if any, in the descriptive materials. Prerequisites should be written in precise language so that potential participants can readily ascertain whether they qualify for the program.

(i) Standard No. 9. CPE program sponsors must ensure instructors are qualified with respect to both program content and instructional methods used.

(i) Instructors are key ingredients in the learning process for any group program. Therefore, it is imperative that CPE program sponsors exercise great care in selecting qualified instructors for all group programs. Qualified instructors are those who are capable, through training, education, or experience of communicating effectively and providing an environment conducive to learning. They should be competent and current in the subject matter, skilled in the use of the appropriate instructional methods and technology, and prepared in advance. As used in this subsection, Group Program means: An educational process designed to permit a participant to learn a given subject through interaction with an instructor and other participants either in a classroom or conference setting or by using the Internet.

(ii) CPE program sponsors should evaluate the instructor's

performance at the conclusion of each program to determine the instructor's suitability to serve in the future.

(j) Standard No. 10. CPE program sponsors must employ an effective means for evaluating learning activity quality with respect to content and presentation, as well as provide a mechanism for participants to assess whether learning objectives were met.

(i) The objectives of evaluation are to assess participant satisfaction with specific programs and to increase subsequent program effectiveness. Evaluations, whether written or electronic, should be solicited from participants and instructors for each program session, including self-study, to determine, among other things, whether:

(A) Stated learning objectives were met.

(B) If applicable, prerequisite requirements were appropriate.

(C) Program materials were accurate.

(D) Program materials were relevant and contributed to the achievement of the learning objectives.

(E) Time allotted to the learning activity was appropriate.

(F) If applicable, individual instructors were effective.

(G) Facilities and/or technological equipment was appropriate.

(H) Handout or advance preparation materials were satisfactory.

(I) Audio and video materials were effective.

(ii) CPE program sponsors should periodically review evaluation results to assess program effectiveness and should inform developers and instructors of evaluation results.

(k) Standard No. 11. CPE program sponsors must ensure instructional methods employed are appropriate for the learning activities. Instructional methods means: delivery strategies such as case studies, computer-assisted learning, lectures, group participation, programmed instruction, teleconferencing, use of audiovisual aids, or work groups employed in group, self-study, or independent study programs. Learning activities should be presented in a manner consistent with the descriptive and technical materials provided.

(i) CPE program sponsors should evaluate the instructional methods employed for the learning activities to determine if the delivery is appropriate and effective. Integral aspects in the learning environment that should be carefully monitored include the number of participants and the facilities and technologies employed in the delivery of the learning activity.

(ii) CPE program sponsors are expected to present learning activities that comply with course descriptions and objectives. Appropriate supplemental materials may also be used.

(l) Standard No. 12. Sponsored learning activities are measured by program length, with one 50-minute period equal to one CPE credit. One-half CPE credit increments (equal to 25 minutes) are permitted after the first credit has been earned in a given learning activity.

(i) For learning activities in which individual segments are less than 50 minutes, the sum of the segments should be considered one total program. For example, five 30-minute presentations would equal 150 minutes and should be counted as three CPE credits.

(ii) When the total minutes of a sponsored learning activity are greater than 50, but not equally divisible by 50, the CPE credits granted should be rounded down to the nearest one-half credit. Thus, learning activities with segments totaling 140 minutes should be granted two and one-half CPE credits.

(iii) While it is the participant's responsibility to report the appropriate number of credits earned, CPE program sponsors must monitor group learning activities to assign the correct number of CPE credits.

(iv) For university or college credit courses that meet these CPE Standards, each unit of college credit shall equal the following CPE credits: semester system 15 credits; quarter system 10 credits.

(v) For university or college non-credit courses that meet these CPE standards, CPE credits shall be awarded only for the actual classroom time spent in the non-credit course.

(vi) Credit is not granted to participants for preparation time.

(vii) Only the portions of committee or staff meetings that are designed as programs of learning and comply with these standards qualify for CPE credit.

(m) Standard No. 13. CPE credit for self-study learning activities must be based on a pilot test of the average completion time.

(i) A sample of intended professional participants should be selected to test program materials in an environment and manner similar to that in which the program is to be presented. The sample group of at least three individuals must be independent of the program development group and possess the appropriate level of knowledge before taking the program.

(ii) The sample does not have to ensure statistical validity. CPE credits should be recommended based on the average completion time for the sample. If substantive changes are subsequently made to program materials, further pilot tests of the revised program materials should be conducted to affirm or amend, as appropriate, the average completion time.

(n) Standard No. 14. Instructors or discussion leaders of learning activities should receive CPE credit for both their preparation and presentation time to the extent the activities maintain or improve their professional competence and meet the requirements of these CPE standards.

(i) Instructors, discussion leaders, or speakers who present a learning activity for the first time should receive CPE credit for actual preparation time up to two times the number of CPE credits to which participants would be entitled, in addition to the time for presentation. For example, for learning activities in which participants could receive 8 CPE credits, instructors may receive up to 24 CPE credits (16 for preparation plus 8 for presentation).

(ii) For repeat presentations, CPE credit can be claimed only if it can be demonstrated that the learning activity content was substantially changed and such change required significant additional study or research.

(iii) The maximum credit for instructors, discussion leaders or speakers cannot exceed 50 percent of the CPE requirement.

(o) Standard No. 15. Writers of published articles, books, or CPE programs should receive CPE credit for their research and writing time to the extent it maintains or improves their professional competence.

(i) Writing articles, books, or CPE programs for publication is a structured activity that involves a process of learning. For the writer to receive CPE credit, the article, book, or CPE program must be formally reviewed by an independent party. CPE credits should be claimed only upon publication.

(ii) The maximum credit for books or articles cannot exceed 25 percent of the CPE requirement.

(p) Standard No. 16. CPE credits recommended by a CPE program sponsor of independent study must not exceed the time the participant devoted to complete the learning activities specified in the learning contract.

(i) The credits to be recommended by an independent study CPE program sponsor should be agreed upon in advance and should be equated to the effort expended to improve professional competence. The credits cannot exceed the time devoted to the learning activities and may be less than the actual time involved.

(q) Standard No. 17. CPE program sponsors must provide program participants with documentation of their participation, which includes the following: CPE program sponsor name and contact information, participant's name, course title, course field

of study, date offered or completed, if applicable, location, the name of the CPE registry issuing approval, and the approval number assigned to that program by the Registry, type of instructional/delivery method used, amount of CPE credit recommended, verification by CPE program sponsor representative.

(i) CPE program sponsors should provide participants with documentation to support their claims of CPE credit. Acceptable evidence of completion includes:

(A) For group and independent study programs, a certificate or other verification supplied by the CPE program sponsor.

(B) For self-study programs, a certificate supplied by the CPE program sponsor after satisfactory completion of an examination.

(C) For instruction credit, a certificate or other verification supplied by the CPE program sponsor.

(D) For a university or college course that is successfully completed for credit, a record or transcript of the grade the participant received.

(E) For university or college non-credit courses, a certificate of attendance issued by a representative of the university or college.

(F) For published articles, books, or CPE programs: (1) a copy of the publication (or in the case of a CPE program, course development documentation) that names the writer as author or contributor, (2) a statement from the writer supporting the number of CPE hours claimed, and (3) the name and contact information of the independent reviewer(s) or publisher.

(r) Standard No. 18. CPE program sponsors must retain adequate documentation for five years to support their compliance with these standards and the reports that may be required of participants.

(i) Evidence of compliance with responsibilities set forth under these Standards which is to be retained by CPE program sponsors includes, but is not limited to: records of participation, dates and locations, instructor names and credentials, number of CPE credits earned by participants, and results of program evaluations.

(ii) Information to be retained by developers includes copies of program materials, evidence that the program materials were developed and reviewed by qualified parties, and a record of how CPE credits were determined.

(iii) For CPE program sponsors offering self-study programs, appropriate pilot test records must be retained regarding the following:

(A) When the pilot test was conducted.

(B) The intended participant population.

(C) How the sample was determined.

(D) Names and profiles of sample participants.

(E) A summary of participants' actual completion time.

(4) Programs or Activities Which Do Not Qualify. The following activities do not satisfy the standards for programs of this section and are not eligible for satisfaction of CPE requirements:

(a) Personal study: personal study includes reading professional journals and publications, studying and researching matters such as tax code revisions, practicing software programs on a computer and watching video movies of a conference; and

(b) Committee meetings, dinner and luncheon meetings, firm meetings or other activities that do not meet the standards outlined in this section.

(5) Reporting Requirements. Each licensee applying for license renewal shall report, by January 31 of each even numbered year, demonstrating completion of at least the minimum number of credits required in Section 58-26a-304 for qualified continuing professional education hours completed for the preceding two calendar years. Each person applying for license reinstatement shall file a report at the time of application demonstrating completion of the CPE required under Subsection R156-26a-307.

(a) Such report shall be by means of one of the following:

(i) certification from an approved continuing professional education registry of the hours of qualified continuing education completed; or

(ii) a report to the Division for review and approval of continuing professional education.

(b) It is the responsibility of the applicant or licensee to demonstrate to the Division that the applicant or licensee successfully completed all CPE reported and meets the requirements of this section or that the CPE has been approved by an approved continuing professional education registry and that reported courses maintained or increased the professional competence of the applicant or licensee.

(6) Continuing Professional Education Registry. To obtain approval as a continuing professional education registry, an organization shall:

(a) be a professional association primarily consisting of individuals licensed as certified public accountants;

(b) be organized and in good standing according to the laws of the state;

(c) enter into a written agreement with the Division under which the organization agrees to:

(i) review and approve only those programs which meet the standards set forth under this section;

(ii) publish and disseminate to their members or other CPAs on request, listings of continuing professional education programs which meet the standards and are approved for qualified continuing professional education credit;

(iii) maintain accurate records of qualified continuing professional education completed by each of its registrants and provide each of its registrants with a certificate on a timely basis to permit the registrant to file that certificate with the registrant's application to the Division for renewal or reinstatement of his license as a certified public accountant. The certificate shall contain the name of the instructor, the date of the program, location of the program, title of the program, the name of the sponsor, the name of the CPE registry issuing approval, and the approval number assigned to that program by the Registry, and the number of CPE hours granted; and

(iv) make records of approved of qualified continuing professional education programs and records of qualified continuing professional education completed by registrants available for audit by representatives of the Division, the Board or peer advisory committees of the board.

(7) Fees. A registry may charge a reasonable fee to registrants for services provided for approval of courses. Sponsors of approved courses may charge a lower fee to members of the sponsoring association for participation as a registrant than it charges to non-members of the association.

(8) Other CPE requirements and failure to complete CPE requirements.

(a) Interim Licensure CPE requirements. Those individuals who become licensed or certified between renewal periods shall be required to complete CPE based upon ten hours per calendar quarter for the remaining quarters of the reporting period.

(b) Carry Forward Provision. A licensee who completes more than 80 hours of CPE during the two year reporting period may carry forward up to 40 hours to the next succeeding reporting period.

(c) Failure to comply with CPE requirements.

(i) Failure to meet the 80 hour requirement. An individual holding a current Utah license who fails to complete the required 80 hours of CPE by the reporting deadline will not be allowed to renew their license unless they complete and report to the Division at least 30 days prior to their expiration date two times the number of CPE hours the license holder was short for

the reporting period (penalty hours). The penalty hours shall not be considered to satisfy in whole or part any of the CPE hours required for subsequent renewal of the license.

(ii) Non-Qualifying or Disqualified CPE hours. An individual who reports nonqualifying hours or who has hours disqualified by the Utah Board of Accountancy shall not be allowed to renew their license unless they complete and report to the Division, within 60 days of receiving notification by the Division of their shortage and the relevant penalty hours requirement under R156-26-303b(8)(c)(i).

(iii) Waiver for Medical Reasons. A licensee may request the Board to waive the requirements or grant an extension for continuing professional education on the basis that the licensee was not able to complete the continuing professional education due to medical or related conditions confirmed by a qualified health care provider. Such medical confirmation shall include the beginning and ending dates during which the medical condition would have prevented the licensee from completing the continuing professional education, the extent of the medical condition and the effect that the medical condition had upon the ability of the licensee to continue to engage in the practice of accountancy. The Board in determining whether the waiver is appropriate shall consider whether or not the licensee continued to be engaged in the practice of accountancy practice on a full or part time basis during the period specified by the medical confirmation. Granting a waiver of meeting the minimum CPE hours shall not be construed as a waiver of a CPA being required to provide services in a competent manner with current knowledge, skill and ability. When medical or other conditions prevent the CPA from providing services in a competent manner, the CPA shall refrain from providing such services.

R156-26a-303c. Renewal Cycle.

In accordance with Subsection 58-1-308(1), the renewal date for the two-year renewal cycle applicable to licensees under Title 58, Chapter 26a is established by rule in Section R156-1-308.

R156-26a-303d. Renewal Procedures.

Renewal procedures shall be in accordance with Section R156-1-308.

R156-26a-307. Reinstatement of Licenses.

(1) An individual having held a Utah license which has expired for failure to renew for nonpayment of fees, or an individual applying for reinstatement from emeritus status, may be relicensed upon satisfactory completion of:

(a) submission of an application on forms supplied by the Division which shall contain information as to why the person allowed their license to lapse;

(b) 80 hours of acceptable CPE, completed within the 12 months preceding the submission of an application for reinstatement, which shall include a minimum of 16 hours in accounting or auditing or both and shall include successful completion of the AICPA Ethics Self-Study Examination and the Utah Law and Rules Examination with a minimum score of at least the minimum score required for initial licensure. Successful completion of the two examinations will count as eight hours of CPE towards the 80 hour requirement.

(i) The requirements in Subsection R156-26-307(1)(b) are waived if the reinstatement applicant has not been practicing within the state of Utah since the expiration of the license being reinstated, the reinstatement applicant has continuously since the expiration been licensed and practicing in another state and the reinstatement applicant demonstrates that the applicant has met all the CPE requirements that would have been applicable in the state of Utah during the time the license was expired in the state of Utah.

(ii) The requirements in Subsection R156-26a-307(1)(b) are waived, if the applicant failed to renew because of inadvertent failure to pay the renewal fees, to sign application documents, or to meet similar technical application requirements and the application for reinstatement is filed with the Division within 24 months after expiration date of the license and at time of application for reinstatement the applicant demonstrates by proof of attendance at acceptable CPE courses that at all times the applicant was in full compliance with the CPE requirements.

(2) A licensee who reinstates their license must obtain ten hours of CPE per full calendar quarter remaining in the current CPE reporting period after reinstatement is granted.

(3) The number of hours required to reinstate the license shall not be considered to satisfy in whole or part any of the 80 hours of CPE required for subsequent renewal of the license.

R156-26a-501. Unprofessional Conduct.

"Unprofessional conduct" includes:

(1) a licensee willfully failing to comply with continuing professional education or fraudulently reporting continuing professional education; or

(2) commission of an act or omission that fails to conform to the accepted and recognized standards and ethics of the profession including those stated in the "Code of Professional Conduct" of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA) as adopted June 1, 2007, which is hereby incorporated by reference.

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R156. Commerce, Occupational and Professional Licensing.
R156-37. Utah Controlled Substances Act Rules.
R156-37-101. Title.

These rules are known as the "Utah Controlled Substances Act Rules."

R156-37-102. Definitions.

In addition to the definitions in Title 58, Chapters 1 and 37, as used in Title 58, Chapters 1 and 37, or these rules:

(1) "DEA" means the Drug Enforcement Administration of the United States Department of Justice.

(2) "NABP" means the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy.

(3) "Principle place of business or professional practice", as used in Subsection 58-37-6(2)(e), means any location where controlled substances are received or stored.

(4) "Schedule II controlled stimulant" means any material, compound, mixture or preparation listed in Subsection 58-37-4(2)(b)(iii).

(5) "Unprofessional conduct", as defined in Title 58 is further defined in accordance with Subsections 58-1-203(1)(e) and 58-37-6(1)(a), in Section R156-37-502.

R156-37-103. Purpose - Authority.

These rules are adopted by the division under the authority of Subsections 58-1-106(1)(a) and 58-37-6(1)(a) to enable the division to administer Title 58, Chapter 37.

R156-37-104. Organization - Relationship to Rule R156-1.

The organization of this rule and its relationship to Rule R156-1 is as described in Section R156-1-107.

R156-37-301. License Classifications - Restrictions.

(1) Consistent with the provisions of law, the division may issue a controlled substance license to manufacture, produce, distribute, dispense, prescribe, obtain, administer, analyze, or conduct research with controlled substances in Schedules I, II, III, IV, or V to qualified persons. Licenses shall be issued to qualified persons in the following categories:

(a) pharmacist;
(b) optometrist;
(c) podiatric physician;
(d) dentist;
(e) osteopathic physician and surgeon;
(f) physician and surgeon;
(g) physician assistant;
(h) veterinarian;
(i) advanced practice registered nurse;
(j) certified nurse midwife;
(k) certified registered nurse anesthetist;
(l) Class A pharmacy-retail operations located in Utah;
(m) Class B pharmacy located in Utah providing services to a target population unique to the needs of the healthcare services required by the patient, including:
(i) closed door;
(ii) hospital clinic pharmacy;
(iii) methadone clinics;
(iv) nuclear;
(v) branch;
(vi) hospice facility pharmacy;
(vii) veterinarian pharmaceutical facility;
(viii) pharmaceutical administration facility; and
(ix) sterile product preparation facility.
(n) Class C pharmacy located in Utah engaged in:
(i) manufacturing;
(ii) producing;
(iii) wholesaling; and
(iv) distributing.
(o) Class D Out-of-state mail order pharmacies.
(p) Class E pharmacy including:
(i) medical gases providers; and
(ii) analytical laboratories.
(q) Utah Department of Corrections for the conduct of execution by the administration of lethal injection under its statutory authority and in accordance with its policies and procedures.

(2) A license may be restricted to the extent determined by the division, in collaboration with appropriate licensing boards, that a restriction is necessary to protect the public health, safety or welfare, or the welfare of the licensee. A person receiving a restricted license shall manufacture, produce, obtain, distribute, dispense, prescribe, administer, analyze, or conduct research with controlled substances only to the extent of the terms and conditions under which the restricted license is issued by the division.

R156-37-302. Qualifications for Licensure - Application Requirements.

(1) An applicant for a controlled substance license shall:
(a) submit an application in a form as prescribed by the division; and
(b) shall pay the required fee as established by the division under the provisions of Section 63J-1-303.

(2) Any person seeking a controlled substance license shall:
(a) be currently licensed by the state in the appropriate professional license classification as listed in R156-37-301 and shall maintain that license classification as current at all times while holding a controlled substance license; or
(b) be engaged in the following activities which require the administration of a controlled substance but do not require licensure under Subsection (a):
(i) animal capture for transport or relocation as an employee or under contract with a state or federal government agency; or
(ii) other activity approved by the Division in collaboration with the appropriate board.

(3) The division and the reviewing board may request from the applicant information which is reasonable and necessary to permit an evaluation of the applicant's:
(a) qualifications to engage in practice with controlled substances; and
(b) the public interest in the issuance of a controlled substance license to the applicant.

(4) To determine if an applicant is qualified for licensure, the division may assign the application to a qualified and appropriate licensing board for review and recommendation to the division with respect to issuance of a license.

R156-37-303. Qualifications for Licensure - Site Inspections - Investigations.

The division shall have the right to conduct site inspections, review research protocol, conduct interviews with persons knowledgeable about the applicant, and conduct any other investigation which is reasonable and necessary to determine the applicant is of good moral character and qualified to receive a controlled substance license.

R156-37-304. Qualifications for Licensure - Examinations.

Each applicant for a controlled substance license shall be required to pass an examination administered at the direction of the division on the subject of controlled substance laws.

R156-37-305. Exemption from Licensure - Animal Euthanasia and Law Enforcement Personnel.

In accordance with Subsection 58-37-6(2)(d), the following persons are exempt from licensure under Title 58, Chapter 37:

(1) Individuals employed by an agency of the State or any of its political subdivisions, who are specifically authorized in writing by the state agency or the political subdivision to possess specified controlled substances in specified reasonable and necessary quantities for the purpose of euthanasia upon animals, shall be exempt from having a controlled substance license if the agency or jurisdiction employing that individual has obtained a controlled substance license, a DEA registration number, and uses the controlled substances according to a written protocol in performing animal euthanasia.

(2) Law enforcement agencies and their sworn personnel are exempt from the licensing requirements of the Controlled Substance Act to the extent their official duties require them to possess controlled substances; they act within the scope of their enforcement responsibilities; they maintain accurate records of controlled substances which come into their possession; and they maintain an effective audit trail. Nothing herein shall authorize law enforcement personnel to purchase or possess controlled substances for administration to animals unless the purchase or possession is in accordance with a duly issued controlled substance license.

R156-37-401. Grounds for Denial of License - Disciplinary Proceedings.

Grounds for refusing to issue a license to an applicant, for refusing to renew the license of a licensee, for revoking, suspending, restricting, or placing on probation the license of a licensee, for issuing a public or private reprimand to a licensee, and for issuing a cease and desist order shall be in accordance with Section 58-1-401.

R156-37-502. Unprofessional Conduct.

"Unprofessional conduct" includes:

(1) a licensee with authority to prescribe or administer controlled substances:

(a) prescribing or administering to himself any Schedule II or III controlled substance which is not lawfully prescribed by another licensed practitioner having authority to prescribe the drug;

(b) prescribing or administering a controlled substance for a condition he is not licensed or competent to treat;

(2) violating any federal or state law relating to controlled substances;

(3) failing to deliver to the division all controlled substance license certificates issued by the division to the division upon an action which revokes, suspends or limits the license;

(4) failing to maintain controls over controlled substances which would be considered by a prudent practitioner to be effective against diversion, theft, or shortage of controlled substances;

(5) being unable to account for shortages of controlled substances any controlled substance inventory for which the licensee has responsibility;

(6) knowingly prescribing, selling, giving away, or administering, directly or indirectly, or offering to prescribe, sell, furnish, give away, or administer any controlled substance to a drug dependent person, as defined in Subsection 58-37-2(s), except for legitimate medical purposes as permitted by law;

(7) refusing to make available for inspection controlled substance stock, inventory, and records as required under these rules or other law regulating controlled substances and controlled substance records;

(8) failing to submit controlled substance prescription information to the database manager after being notified in writing to do so.

R156-37-601. Access to Records, Facilities, and Inventory.

Applicants for licensure and all licensees shall make available for inspection to any person authorized to conduct an administrative inspection pursuant to Title 58, Chapter 37, these rules or federal law, to the extent they exist, during regular business hours and at other reasonable times in the event of an emergency, their controlled substance stock or inventory, records required under the Utah Controlled Substances Act and these rules or under the federal controlled substance laws, and facilities related to activities involving controlled substances.

R156-37-602. Records.

(1) Records of purchase, distribution, dispensing, prescribing, and administration of controlled substances shall be kept according to state and federal law. Prescribing practitioners shall keep accurate records reflecting the examination, evaluation and treatment of all patients. Patient medical records shall accurately reflect the prescription or administration of controlled substances in the treatment of the patient, the purpose for which the controlled substance is utilized and information upon which the diagnosis is based. Practitioners shall keep records apart from patient records of each controlled substance purchased, and with respect to each controlled substance, its disposition, whether by administration or any other means, date of disposition, to whom given and the quantity given.

(2) Any licensee who experiences any shortage or theft of controlled substances shall immediately file the appropriate forms with the Drug Enforcement Administration, with a copy to the division directed to the attention of the Investigation Bureau. He shall also report the incident to the local law enforcement agency.

(3) All records required by federal and state laws or rules must be maintained by the licensee for a period of five years. If a licensee should sell or transfer ownership of his files in any way, those files shall be maintained separately from other records of the new owner.

(4) Prescription records may be maintained electronically so long as:

(a) the original of each prescription, including telephone prescriptions, is maintained in a physical file and contains all of the information required by federal and state law; and

(b) an automated data processing system is used for the storage and immediate retrieval of refill information for prescription orders for controlled substances in Schedule III and IV, in accordance with federal guidelines.

(5) All records relating to Schedule II controlled substances received, purchased, administered or dispensed by the practitioner shall be maintained separately from all other records of the pharmacy or practice.

(6) All records relating to Schedules III, IV and V controlled substances received, purchased, administered or dispensed by the practitioner shall be maintained separately from all other records of the pharmacy or practice.

R156-37-603. Restrictions Upon the Prescription, Dispensing and Administration of Controlled Substances.

(1) A practitioner may prescribe or administer the Schedule II controlled substance cocaine hydrochloride only as a topical anesthetic for mucous membranes in surgical situations in which it is properly indicated and as local anesthetic for the repair of facial and pediatric lacerations when the controlled substance is mixed and dispensed by a registered pharmacist in the proper formulation and dosage.

(2) A practitioner shall not prescribe or administer a controlled substance without taking into account the drug's potential for abuse, the possibility the drug may lead to dependence, the possibility the patient will obtain the drug for a nontherapeutic use or to distribute to others, and the possibility of an illicit market for the drug.

(3) When writing a prescription for a controlled substance,

each prescription shall contain only one controlled substance per prescription form and no other legend drug or prescription item shall be included on that form.

(4) In accordance with Subsection 58-37-6(7)(f)(v)(D), unless the prescriber determines there is a valid medical reason to allow an earlier dispensing date, the dispensing date of a second or third prescription shall be no less than 30 days from the dispensing date of the previous prescription, to allow for receipt of the subsequent prescription before the previous prescription runs out.

(5) If a practitioner fails to document his intentions relative to refills of controlled substances in Schedules III through V on a prescription form, it shall mean no refills are authorized. No refill is permitted on a prescription for a Schedule II controlled substance.

(6) Refills of controlled substance prescriptions shall be permitted for the period from the original date of the prescription as follows:

(a) Schedules III and IV for six months from the original date of the prescription; and

(b) Schedule V for one year from the original date of the prescription.

(7) No refill may be dispensed until such time has passed since the date of the last dispensing that 80% of the medication in the previous dispensing should have been consumed if taken according to the prescriber's instruction.

(8) No prescription for a controlled substance shall be issued or dispensed without specific instructions from the prescriber on how and when the drug is to be used.

(9) Refills after expiration of the original prescription term requires the issuance of a new prescription by the prescribing practitioner.

(10) Each prescription for a controlled substance and the number of refills authorized shall be documented in the patient records by the prescribing practitioner.

(11) A practitioner shall not prescribe or administer a Schedule II controlled stimulant for any purpose except:

(a) the treatment of narcolepsy as confirmed by neurological evaluation;

(b) the treatment of abnormal behavioral syndrome, attention deficit disorder, hyperkinetic syndrome, or related disorders;

(c) the treatment of drug-induced brain dysfunction;

(d) the differential diagnostic psychiatric evaluation of depression;

(e) the treatment of depression shown to be refractory to other therapeutic modalities, including pharmacologic approaches, such as tricyclic antidepressants or MAO inhibitors;

(f) in the terminal stages of disease, as adjunctive therapy in the treatment of chronic severe pain or chronic severe pain accompanied by depression;

(g) the clinical investigation of the effects of the drugs, in which case the practitioner shall submit to the division a written investigative protocol for its review and approval before the investigation has begun. The investigation shall be conducted in strict compliance with the investigative protocol, and the practitioner shall, within 60 days following the conclusion of the investigation, submit to the division a written report detailing the findings and conclusions of the investigation; or

(h) in treatment of depression associated with medical illness after due consideration of other therapeutic modalities.

(12) A practitioner may prescribe, dispense or administer a Schedule II controlled stimulant when properly indicated for any purpose listed in Subsection (11), provided that all of the following conditions are met:

(a) before initiating treatment utilizing a Schedule II controlled stimulant, the practitioner obtains an appropriate history and physical examination, and rules out the existence of any recognized contraindications to the use of the controlled substance to be utilized;

(b) the practitioner shall not prescribe, dispense or administer any Schedule II controlled stimulant when he knows or has reason to believe that a recognized contraindication to its use exists;

(c) the practitioner shall not prescribe, dispense or administer any Schedule II controlled stimulant in the treatment of a patient who he knows or should know is pregnant; and

(d) the practitioner shall not initiate or shall discontinue prescribing, dispensing or administering all Schedule II controlled stimulants immediately upon ascertaining or having reason to believe that the patient has consumed or disposed of any controlled stimulant other than in compliance with the treating practitioner's directions.

R156-37-604. Prescribing of Controlled Substances for Weight Reduction or Control.

(1) A practitioner shall not prescribe, dispense or administer a Schedule II or Schedule III controlled substance for purposes of weight reduction or control.

(2) A prescribing practitioner may prescribe or administer a Schedule IV controlled substance in treating excessive weight leading to increased health risks only when all the following conditions are met:

(a) medication is used only as an adjunct to a comprehensive weight loss program based on supplemental weight loss activities including, but not limited to, changing lifestyle counseling, nutritional education, and a regular, individualized exercise regimen;

(b) prior to initiating treatment the prescribing practitioner shall:

(i) determine through thorough review of past medical records that the patient has made a substantial good-faith effort to lose weight in a comprehensive weight loss program without the use of controlled substances, and the previous regimen has not been effective;

(ii) obtain a complete history, perform a complete physical examination of the patient, and rule out the existence of any recognized contraindications to the use of the medication(s);

(iii) determine and document this assessment in the patient's medical record, that the health benefit to the patient greatly outweighs the possible risks of the medications prescribed; and

(iv) discuss with the patient the possible risks associated with the medication and have on record an informed consent which clearly documents that the long term effects of using controlled substances for weight loss or weight control are not known;

(c) throughout the prescribing period, the prescribing practitioner shall:

(i) supervise, oversee, and regularly monitor the patient, including his participation in supplemental weight loss activities, efficacy of the medication, and advisability of continuing to prescribe the weight loss or weight control medication; and

(ii) maintain a central medical record, containing at least, the goal of treatment or target weight, the ongoing progress toward that goal or maintenance of the weight loss, the patient's supplemental weight loss activities with documentation of compliance with the comprehensive weight loss program; and

(d) the prescribing practitioner shall immediately discontinue the weight loss medication in any of the following situations:

(i) the practitioner knows or should know that the patient is pregnant;

(ii) the patient has consumed or disposed of any controlled substance other than in compliance with the prescribing practitioner's directions;

(iii) the patient is abusing the controlled substance being

prescribed for weight loss;

(iv) the patient develops a contraindication during the course of therapy; or

(v) the medication is not effective or that the patient is not abiding with and following through with the agreed upon comprehensive weight loss program.

R156-37-605. Emergency Verbal Prescription of Schedule II Controlled Substances.

(1) Prescribing practitioners may give a verbal prescription for a Schedule II controlled substance if:

(a) the quantity dispensed is only sufficient to cover the patient for the emergency period, not to exceed 72 hours;

(b) the prescribing practitioner has examined the patient within the past 30 days, the patient is under the continuing care of the prescribing practitioner for a chronic disease or ailment, or the prescribing practitioner is covering for another practitioner and has knowledge of the patient's condition; and

(c) a written prescription is delivered to the pharmacist within seven working days of the verbal order.

(2) A pharmacist may fill an emergency verbal or telephonic prescription from a prescribing practitioner for a Schedule II controlled substance if:

(a) the amount does not exceed a 72 hour supply; and

(b) the filling pharmacist reasonably believes that the prescribing practitioner is licensed to prescribe the controlled substances or makes a reasonable effort to determine that he is licensed.

R156-37-606. Disposal of Controlled Substances.

(1) Any disposal of controlled substances by licensees shall:

(a) be consistent with the provisions of 1307.21 of the Code of Federal Regulations; or

(b) require the authorization of the division after submission to the division to the attention of Chief Investigator of a detailed listing of the controlled substances and the quantity of each. Disposal shall be conducted in the presence of one of its investigators or a division authorized agent as is specifically instructed by the division in its written authorization.

(2) Records of disposal of controlled substances shall be maintained and made available on request to the division or its agents for inspection for a period of five years.

R156-37-607. Surrender of Suspended or Revoked License.

(1) Licenses which have been restricted, suspended or revoked shall be surrendered to the division within 30 days of the effective date of the order of restriction, suspension or revocation. Compliance with this section will be a consideration in evaluating applications for relicensing.

R156-37-608. Herbal Products.

The division shall not apply the provisions of the Controlled Substance Act or these rules in restricting citizens or practitioners, regardless of their license status, from the sale or use of food or herbal products that are not scheduled as controlled substances by State or Federal law.

R156-37-609. Controlled Substance Database - Procedure and Format for Submission to the Database.

(1) In accordance with Subsections 58-37-7.5(6)(a), the format in which the information required under Section 58-37-7.5 shall be submitted to the administrator of the database is:

(a) electronic data via telephone modem;

(b) electronic data stored on floppy disk or compact disc (CD);

(c) electronic data sent via electronic mail (e-mail) if encrypted and approved by the database manager;

(d) electronic data sent via a secured internet transfer method, including but not limited to, FTP site transfer and HyperSend; or

(e) any other electronic method preapproved by the database manager.

(2) The required information may be submitted on paper, if the pharmacy or pharmacy group submits a written request to the division and receives prior approval.

(3) The division will consider the following in granting the request:

(a) the pharmacy or pharmacy group has no computerized record keeping system upon which the data can be electronically recorded; or

(b) the pharmacy or pharmacy group is unable to conform its submissions to the format required by the database administrator without incurring undue financial hardship.

(4) As of October 1, 2008, each pharmacy or pharmacy group shall submit all data collected during the preceding seven days at least once per week. If the data is submitted by a single pharmacy entity, the data shall be submitted in chronological order according to the date each prescription was filled. If the data is submitted by a pharmacy group, the data is required to be sorted by individual pharmacy within the group, and the data of each individual pharmacy within the group is required to be submitted in chronological order according to the date each prescription was filled.

(5) The format for submission to the database shall be in accordance with uniform formatting developed by the American Society for Automation in Pharmacy system (ASAP). The division may approve alternative formats or adjustments to be consistent with database collection instruments and contain all necessary data elements.

(6) The pharmacist-in-charge of each reporting pharmacy shall submit a report on a form approved by the division including:

(a) the pharmacy name;

(b) NABP number;

(c) the period of time covered by each submission of data;

(d) the number of prescriptions in the submission;

(e) the submitting pharmacist's signature attesting to the accuracy of the report; and

(f) the date the submission was prepared.

R156-37-609a. Controlled Substance Database - Reporting Procedure and Format for Submission to the Database for Pharmacies and Pharmacy Groups Selected by the Division for the Real Time Pilot Program.

(1) In accordance with Subsection 58-37-7.8(8), the information required under Section 58-37-7.5 shall be submitted to the Division's database manager by licensees designated by the Division to participate in the real time reporting pilot program in the following format:

(a) electronic data using the software provided by the Division or software approved by the Division; and

(b) using the real time data transmission system established by the Division.

(2) Each pharmacy or pharmacy group shall enter and submit data required under Section 58-37-7.5 as soon as the data is available to the pharmacy or pharmacy group.

(3) The format for submission to the database shall be in accordance with the uniform formatting developed by the American Society for Automation in Pharmacy System (ASAP). The Division may approve alternative formats.

(4) The pharmacist-in-charge of each reporting pharmacy or pharmacy group shall be responsible for compliance with this rule.

R156-37-609b. Controlled Substance Database - Limitations on Access to Real Time Database Information - Individuals Allowed to Access - Standards and Procedures for Access to

Real Time Pilot Program.

(1) In accordance with Subsection 58-37-7.8(8), access to information contained in the controlled substance database is limited to individuals who are designated by the Division to participate in the real time pilot program, as follows:

(a) personnel employed by federal, state and local law enforcement agencies;

(b) pharmacists licensed to dispense controlled substances in Utah;

(c) practitioners licensed to prescribe controlled substances in Utah; and

(d) employees of the Department of Health who have previously been approved by the Division to access controlled substance database information in furtherance of the Pain Medication Management and Education Program.

(2) All individuals who are granted access to information in the controlled substance database via the real time pilot program shall provide any documentation requested by the Division's database manager to confirm the individual's identity. The individual will then be provided a username, password, and PIN number by which the individual will access the information contained in the database. Pursuant to Subsection 58-37-7.5 (9), (10), and (11), it is unlawful for an authorized user to allow another individual to use the authorized user's assigned username, password and PIN number.

(3) Personnel employed by federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies may access only information related to a current investigation involving controlled substances being conducted by that agency.

(4) Pharmacists licensed to dispense controlled substances in Utah may access only information related specifically to a current patient to whom that pharmacist is dispensing or is considering dispensing any controlled substance.

(5) Practitioners licensed to prescribe controlled substances in Utah may access only information related specifically to a current patient of the practitioner, to whom the practitioner is prescribing or is considering prescribing any controlled substance.

(6) Employees of the Department of Health who have been previously approved by the Division to access controlled substance database information in furtherance of the Pain Medication Management and Education Program may access only information in order to conduct scientific studies to evaluate opioid use and opioid-related morbidity and ways to reduce deaths and other harm from improper or risky prescribing and dispensing practices as codified in Section 26-1-36.

R156-37-610. Controlled Substance Database - Limitations on Access to Database Information - Standards and Procedures for Identifying Individuals Requesting Information.

(1) In accordance with Subsections 58-37-7.5(8)(a) and (b), the division director shall designate in writing those individuals within the division who shall have access to the information in the database.

(2) Personnel from federal, state or local law enforcement agencies may obtain information from the database if the information relates to a current investigation being conducted by such agency. The manager of the database may also provide information from the database to such agencies on his own volition when the information may reasonably constitute a basis for investigation relative to violation of state or federal law.

(3) In accordance with Subsections 58-37-7.5(5)(c), (6)(b), (7)(b), and (8)(d) and (e), the database manager may provide information from the database to licensed practitioners having authority to prescribe controlled substances and to licensed pharmacists having authority to dispense controlled substances. The database manager may provide the information on his own volition to accomplish the stated purposes set forth in Subsection 58-37-7.5(5).

(4) Any individual may request information in the database relating to that individual's controlled substances receipt history. An individuals may not request or receive an accounting of persons or entities that have requested or received information about the individual. Upon request for database information on an individual who is the recipient of a controlled substance prescription entered in the database, the manager of the database shall make available database information exclusively relating to that particular individual's controlled substance receipt history under the following limitations and conditions:

(a) The requestor seeking database information personally appears before the manager of the database, or a designee, with picture identification confirming his identity as the same person on whom database information is sought.

(b) The requestor seeking database information submits a signed and notarized request executed under the penalty of perjury verifying his identity as the same person on whom database information is sought, and providing their full name, home and business address, date of birth, and social security number.

(c) The requestor seeking database information presents a power of attorney over the person on whom database information is sought and further complies with the following:

(i) submits a signed and notarized request executed by the requestor under the penalty of perjury verifying that the grantor of the power of attorney is the same person on whom database information is sought, including the grantor's full name, address, date of birth, and social security number; and

(ii) personally appears before the manager of the database with picture identification to verify personal identity, or otherwise submits a signed and notarized statement executed by the requestor under the penalty of perjury verifying his identity as that of the person holding the power of attorney.

(d) The requestor seeking database information presents verification that he is the legal guardian of an incapacitated person on whom database information is sought and further complies with the following:

(i) submits a signed and notarized request executed by the requestor under the penalty of perjury verifying that the incapacitated ward of the guardian is the same person on whom database information is sought, including the ward's full name, address, date of birth, and social security number; and

(ii) personally appears before the manager of the database with picture identification to verify personal identity, or otherwise submits a signed and notarized statement executed by the requestor under the penalty of perjury verifying his identity as that of the legal guardian of the incapacitated person.

(e) The requestor seeking database information shall present a release-of-records statement from the person on whom database information is sought and further complies with the following:

(i) submits a verification from the person on whom database information is sought consistent with the requirements set forth in paragraph (4)(b);

(ii) submits a signed and notarized release of records statement executed by the person on whom database information is sought authorizing the manager of the database to release the relevant database information to the requestor; and

(iii) personally appears before the manager of the database with picture identification to verify personal identity, or otherwise submits a signed and notarized statement executed by the requestor under the penalty of perjury verifying his identity as that of the requestor identified in the release of records;

(5) Before data is released upon oral request, a written request may be required and received.

(6) Database information may be disseminated either orally, by facsimile or by U.S. mail.

(7) The Utah Department of Health may access Database information for purposes of scientific study regarding public health. To access information, the scientific investigator must:

(a) show the research is an approved project of the Utah Department of Health;

(b) provide a description of the research to be conducted including a research protocol for the project and a description of the data needed from the Database to conduct that research;

(c) provide assurances and a plan that demonstrates all Database information will be maintained securely, with access only permitted by the scientific investigator;

(d) provide for electronic data to be stored on a secure database computer system with access only allowed by the scientific investigator; and

(e) pay all relevant expenses for data transfer and manipulation.

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R156. Commerce, Occupational and Professional Licensing.
R156-46b. Division Utah Administrative Procedures Act Rules.
R156-46b-101. Title.

These rules are known as the "Division Utah Administrative Procedures Act Rules."

R156-46b-103. Authority - Purpose.

These rules are adopted by the division under the authority of Title 63G, Chapter 4, Subsection 58-1-108(1), and Subsection 58-1-106(1)(a). The purposes of these rules include:

(a) classifying division adjudicative proceedings;

(b) clarifying the identity of presiding officers at division adjudicative proceedings; and

(c) defining procedures for division adjudicative proceedings which are consistent with the requirements of Titles 58 and 63G and Rule R151-46b.

R156-46b-201. Formal Adjudicative Proceedings.

(1) The following adjudicative proceedings initiated by a request for agency action are classified as formal adjudicative proceedings:

(a) denial of application for renewal of licensure;

(b) denial of application for reinstatement of licensure submitted pursuant to Subsection 58-1-308(5);

(c) denial of application for reinstatement of licensure submitted pursuant to Subsection 58-1-308(6)(b);

(d) special appeals board held in accordance with Section 58-1-402;

(e) approval or denial of claims against the Residence Lien Recovery Fund created under Title 38, Chapter 11, in which the claimant is precluded from obtaining the required civil judgment or administrative order against the nonpaying party involved in the claim because the nonpaying party filed bankruptcy;

(f) payment of approved claims against the Residence Lien Recovery Fund described in Subparagraph (e);

(g) declaratory order determining the applicability of statute, rule or order to specified circumstances, when determined by the director to be conducted as a formal adjudicative proceeding; and

(h) board of appeal held in accordance with Subsection 58-56-8(3).

(2) The following adjudicative proceedings initiated by a Notice of Agency Action are classified as formal adjudicative proceedings:

(a) disciplinary proceedings which result in the following sanctions:

(i) revocation of licensure;

(ii) suspension of licensure;

(iii) restricted licensure;

(iv) probationary licensure;

(v) issuance of a cease and desist order except when imposed by citation or by an order in a contested citation hearing;

(vi) administrative fine except when imposed by citation or by an order in a contested citation hearing; and

(vii) issuance of a public reprimand; and

(b) unilateral modification of a disciplinary order.

R156-46b-202. Informal Adjudicative Proceedings.

(1) The following adjudicative proceedings initiated by a request for agency action are classified as informal adjudicative proceedings:

(a) approval of application for initial licensure, renewal or reinstatement of licensure, or relicensure;

(b) denial of application for initial licensure or relicensure;

(c) denial of application for reinstatement of licensure submitted pursuant to Subsection 58-1-308(6)(a);

(d) denial of application for reinstatement of restricted, suspended, or probationary licensure during the term of the restriction, suspension, or probation;

(e) approval or denial of application for inactive or emeritus licensure status;

(f) board of appeal under Subsection 58-56-8(3);

(g) approval or denial of claims against the Residence Lien Recovery Fund created under Title 38, Chapter 11, except those in which the claimant is precluded from obtaining the required civil judgment or administrative order against the nonpaying party involved in the claim because the nonpaying party filed bankruptcy;

(h) payment of approved claims against the Residence Lien Recovery Fund described in Subparagraph (g);

(i) approval or denial of request to surrender licensure;

(j) approval or denial of request for entry into diversion program under Section 58-1-404;

(k) matters relating to diversion program;

(l) contested citation hearing held in accordance with Subsection 58-55-503(4)(b);

(m) approval or denial of request for modification of disciplinary order;

(n) declaratory order determining the applicability of statute, rule or order to specified circumstances, when determined by the director to be conducted as an informal adjudicative proceeding;

(o) approval or denial of request for correction of procedural or clerical mistakes;

(p) approval or denial of request for correction of other than procedural or clerical mistakes; and

(q) all other requests for agency action permitted by statute or rule governing the Division not specifically classified as formal adjudicative proceedings in Subsection R156-46b-201(1).

(2) The following adjudicative proceedings initiated by a notice of agency action or request for agency action are classified as informal adjudicative proceedings:

(a) disciplinary proceeding seeking exclusively the issuance of a private reprimand;

(b) nondisciplinary proceeding which results in cancellation of licensure;

(c) disciplinary sanctions imposed in a memorandum of understanding with an applicant for licensure; and

(d) termination of diversion agreements.

R156-46b-301. Designation.

The presiding officers for division adjudicative proceedings are as defined at Subsection 63G-4-103(1)(h) and as specifically established by Section 58-1-109 and by Section R156-1-109.

R156-46b-401. In General.

(1) The procedures for formal division adjudicative proceedings are set forth in Sections 63G-4-204 through 63G-4-208, Rule R151-46b-1, and this rule.

(2) The procedures for informal division adjudicative proceedings are set forth in Section 63G-4-203, Rule R151-46b-1, and this rule.

R156-46b-403. Evidentiary Hearings in Informal Adjudicative Proceedings.

(1) Evidentiary hearings are not required for informal division adjudicative proceedings unless required by statute or rule, or permitted by rule and requested by a party within the time prescribed by rule.

(2) Unless otherwise provided, a request for an evidentiary hearing permitted by rule must be submitted in writing no later than 20 days following the issuance of the notice of agency action if the proceeding was initiated by the division, or together with the request for agency action if the proceeding was not

initiated by the division.

(3) Evidentiary hearings are required for the following informal proceedings:

(a) R156-46b-202(1)(l), contested citation hearing held in accordance with Subsection 58-55-503(4)(b); and

(b) R156-46b-202(1)(f), board of appeal held in accordance with Subsection 58-56-8(3).

(4) Evidentiary hearings are permitted for the following informal proceedings:

(a) R156-46b-202(1)(k), matters relating to a diversion program; and

(b) R156-46b-202(2)(a), issuance of a private reprimand.

(5) Unless otherwise agreed by the parties, no evidentiary hearing shall be held in an informal adjudicative proceeding unless timely notice of the hearing has been served upon the parties as required by Subsection 63G-4-203(1)(d). Timely notice means service of a Notice of Hearing upon all parties not later than ten days prior to any scheduled evidentiary hearing.

(6) Parties shall be permitted to testify, present evidence, and comment on the issues at an evidentiary hearing in a division informal adjudicative proceeding.

R156-46b-404. Orders in Informal Adjudicative Proceedings.

(1) Orders issued in division informal adjudicative proceedings shall comply with Subsection 63G-4-203(1)(i).

(2) Issuance of a license or approval of related requests in response to a request for agency action is sufficient to satisfy the requirements of Subsection 63G-4-203(1)(i).

(3) Issuance of a letter denying a license or related requests is sufficient to satisfy the requirements of Subsection 63G-4-203(1)(i). The letter must explain the reasons for the denial and the rights of the parties to seek agency review, including the time limits for requesting review.

(4) Unless otherwise specified by the director, the fact finder who serves as the presiding officer at an evidentiary hearing convened in division informal adjudicative proceedings shall issue a final order.

(5) Orders issued in division informal adjudicative proceedings in which an evidentiary hearing is convened shall comply with the requirements of Subsection 63G-4-208(1).

R156-46b-405. Informal Agency Advice.

(1) The division may issue an informal guidance letter in response to a request for advice unless the request specifically seeks a declaratory order.

(2) A notice shall appear in the informal guidance letter notifying the subject of the letter that the letter is an informal guidance letter only and is not intended as a formal declaratory order. The notice shall also provide the citation where the requirements which govern declaratory orders are found.

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R277. Education, Administration.
R277-106. Utah Professional Practices Advisory Commission Appointment Process.
R277-106-1. Definitions.

A. "UPPAC or Commission" means the Utah Professional Practices Advisory Commission as defined and authorized under Section 53A-6-301 et. seq.

B. "Board" means the Utah State Board of Education.

C. "Superintendent" means the State Superintendent of Public Instruction.

D. "Nomination petition" means:

(1) written and signed statement by the Superintendent of the school district in which the educator is currently employed, that the Superintendent understands the time commitment of UPPAC members and supports the educator in applying for one three-year term as identified in statute. If the applicant is a superintendent, the chair of the local school board shall provide a statement of support for the educator;

(2) written and signed statement by the educator's building principal that the principal understands the time commitment of UPPAC members and supports the educator in applying for one three-year term. If the applicant is a principal, the applicant shall include a statement of understanding of the time commitment in the personal statement provided by the applicant;

(3) written and signed personal statement by the applicant expressing the applicant's desire to serve as a UPPAC member, a summary of the applicant's professional experience, including associations and professional affiliations; and

(4) the applicant's vita.

R277-106-2. Authority and Purpose.

A. This rule is adopted pursuant to Utah Constitution Article X, Section 3 which vests general control and supervision of public education in the Board, Section 53A-6-303(1)(a) which directs the Board to adopt rules establishing procedures for nominating and appointing Commission members, and Section 53A-1-401(3) which allows the Board to adopt rules in accordance with its responsibilities.

B. The purpose of this rule is to establish nomination and appointment procedures for UPPAC members.

R277-106-3. UPPAC Notification, Nomination and Application Process.

A. The UPPAC Executive Secretary shall notify school districts and education organizations in writing of openings on UPPAC for the upcoming term by May 1 of the year in which the Commission vacancies shall be filled by appointment by the Superintendent.

B. As provided under Section 53A-6-303(1)(b), nomination petitions shall be filed with the Superintendent.

R277-106-4. UPPAC Selection Process.

A. The Superintendent shall provide all complete and properly filed petitions to the UPPAC Executive Secretary for review and the Executive Secretary's recommendation(s) prior to May 20 of the year in which membership on the Commission is sought.

(1) The Executive Secretary may seek additional information to provide to the Superintendent about the experience and qualification of UPPAC applicants.

(2) Recommendations shall maintain a representative balance of six teachers and three other educators.

(3) Recommendations shall give consideration to rural/urban, elementary/secondary and geographical balance of Commission members.

B. The Superintendent shall make Commission appointments prior to June 1 of the year in which Commission members shall begin serving.

C. Two community members shall be selected under Section 53A-6-302(1). Their terms shall be staggered.

D. If current Commission members desire to serve for a second term, the member shall indicate the desire to serve an additional term in writing to the Superintendent prior to May 15 of the year in which the member's term expires.

D. The applications(s) of (a) Commission member(s) seeking reappointment shall be considered for recommendation at the same time that new appointments are considered.

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R307. Environmental Quality, Air Quality.
R307-103. Administrative Procedures.
R307-103-1. Scope of Rule.

(1) This rule R307-103 sets out procedures for conducting adjudicative proceedings under Title 19, Chapter 2, Utah Air Conservation Act, and governed by Title 63G, Chapter 4, the Utah Administrative Procedures Act.

(2) The executive secretary may issue initial orders or notices of violation as authorized by the Board. Following the issuance of an initial order or notice of violation under Title 19, Chapter 2, the recipient, or in some situations other persons, may contest that order or notice in a proceeding before the board or before a presiding officer appointed by the board.

(3) Issuance of initial orders and notices of violation are not governed by the Utah Administrative Procedures Act as provided under 63G-4-102(2)(k) and are not governed by R307-103-3 through R307-103-14 of this Rule. Initial orders and notices of violation are further described in R307-103-2(1).

(4) Proceedings to contest an initial order or notice of violation are governed by the Utah Administrative Procedures Act and by this rule R307-103.

(5) The Utah Administrative Procedures Act and this rule R307-103 also govern any other formal adjudicative proceeding before the Air Quality Board.

R307-103-2. Initial Proceedings.

(1) Initial Proceedings Exempt from Utah Administrative Procedures Act. Initial orders and notices of violation include, but are not limited to, initial proceedings regarding:

(a) approval, denial, termination, modification, revocation, reissuance or renewal of permits, plans, or approval orders;

(b) notices of violation and orders associated with notices of violation;

(c) orders to comply and orders to cease and desist;

(d) certification for tank vapor tightness testing under R307-342;

(e) certification of asbestos contractors under R307-801;

(f) fees imposed for major source reviews under R307-414;

(g) assessment of other fees except as provided in R307-103-14(7);

(h) eligibility of pollution control equipment for tax exemptions under R307-120 and R307-121;

(i) requests for variances, exemptions, and other approvals;

(j) requests or approvals for experiments, testing or control plans; and

(k) certification of individuals and firms who perform lead-based paint activities and accreditation of lead-based paint training providers under R307-840.

(2) Effect of Initial Orders and Notices of Violation.

(a) Unless otherwise stated, all initial orders or notices of violation are effective upon issuance. All initial orders or notices of violation shall become final if not contested within 30 days after the date issued.

(b) The date of issuance of an initial order or notice of violation is the date the initial order or notice of violation is mailed.

(c) Failure to timely contest an initial order or notice of violation waives any right of administrative contest, reconsideration, review, or judicial appeal.

R307-103-3. Contesting an Initial Order or Notice of Violation.

(1) Procedure. Initial orders and notices of violation, as described in R307-103-2(1), may be contested by filing a written Request for Agency Action to the Executive Secretary, Air Quality Board, Division of Air Quality, PO Box 144820, Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-4820.

(2) Content Required and Deadline for Request. Any such request is governed by and shall comply with the requirements of 63G-4-201(3). If a request for agency action is made by a person other than the recipient of an order or notice of violation, the request for agency action shall also specify in writing sufficient facts to allow the board to determine whether the person has standing under R307-103-6(3) to bring the requested action.

(3) A request for agency action made to contest an initial order or notice of violation shall, to be timely, be received for filing within 30 days of the issuance of the initial order or notice of violation.

(4) Stipulation for Extending Time to File Request. The executive secretary and the recipient of an initial order or notice of violation may stipulate to an extension of time for filing the request, or any part thereof.

R307-103-4. Designation of Proceedings as Formal or Informal.

(1) Contest of an initial order or notice of violation resulting from proceedings described in R307-103-2(1) shall be conducted as a formal proceeding.

(2) The board in accordance with 63G-4-202(3) may convert proceedings which are designated to be formal to informal and proceedings which are designated as informal to formal if conversion is in the public interest and rights of all parties are not unfairly prejudiced.

R307-103-5. Notice of and Response to Request for Agency Action.

(1) The presiding officer shall promptly review a request for agency action and shall issue a Notice of Request for Agency Action in accordance with 63G-4-201(3)(d) and (e). If further proceedings are required and the matter is not set for hearing at the time the Notice is issued, notice of the time and place for a hearing shall be provided promptly after the hearing is scheduled.

(2) The Notice shall include a designation of parties under R307-103-6(4), and shall notify respondents that any response to the Request for Agency Action shall be due within 30 days of the day the Notice is mailed, in accordance with 63G-4-204.

R307-103-6. Parties and Intervention.

(1) Determination of a Party. The following persons are parties to an adjudicative proceeding:

(a) The person to whom an initial order or notice of violation is directed, such as a person who submitted a permit application that was approved or disapproved by initial order of the executive secretary;

(b) The executive secretary of the board;

(c) All persons to whom the board has granted intervention under R307-103-6(2); and

(d) Any other person with standing who brings a Request for Agency Action as authorized by the Utah Administrative Procedures Act and these rules.

(2) Intervention.

(a) A Petition to Intervene shall meet the requirements of 63G-4-207. Except as provided in (2)(c), the timeliness of a Petition to Intervene shall be determined by the presiding officer under the facts and circumstances of each case.

(b) Any response to a Petition to Intervene shall be filed within 20 days of the date the Petition was filed, except as provided in R307-103-6(2)(c).

(c) A person seeking to intervene in a proceeding for which agency action has not been initiated under 63G-4-201 may file a Request for Agency Action at the same time he files a Petition for Intervention. Any such Request for Agency Action and Petition to Intervene must be received by the board for filing within 30 days of the issuance of the initial order or notice of violation being challenged. The time for filing a

Request for Agency Action and Petition to Intervene may be extended by stipulation of the executive secretary, the person subject to an initial order or notice of violation, and the potential intervenor.

(d) Any response to a Petition to Intervene that is filed at the same time as a Request for Agency Action shall be filed on or before the day the response to the Request for Agency Action is due.

(e) A Petition to Intervene shall be granted if the requirements of 63G-4-207(2) are met.

(3) Standing. No person may initiate or intervene in an agency action unless that person has standing. Standing shall be evaluated using applicable Utah case law.

(4) Designation of Parties. The presiding officer shall designate each party as a petitioner or respondent.

(5) Amicus Curiae (Friend of the Court). A person may be permitted by the presiding officer to enter an appearance as amicus curiae (friend of the court), subject to conditions established by the presiding officer.

R307-103-7. Conduct of Proceedings.

(1) Role of Board.

(a) The board is the "agency head" as that term is used in Title 63G, Chapter 4. The board is also the "presiding officer," as that term is used in Title 63G, Chapter 4, except:

(i) The chair of the board shall be considered the presiding officer to the extent that these rules allow; and

(ii) The board may appoint one or more presiding officers to preside over all or a portion of the proceedings.

(b) The chair of the board may delegate the chair's authority as specified in this rule to another board member.

(2) Appointed Presiding Officers. Unless otherwise explicitly provided by written order, any appointment of a presiding officer shall be for the purpose of conducting all aspects of an adjudicative proceeding, except rulings on intervention, stays of orders, dispositive motions, and issuance of the final order. As used in this rule, the term "presiding officer" shall mean "presiding officers" if more than one presiding officer is appointed by the board.

(3) Board Counsel. The Presiding Officer may request that Board Counsel provide legal advice regarding legal procedures, pending motions, evidentiary matters and other legal issues.

(4) Pre-hearing Conferences. The presiding officer may direct the parties to appear at a specified time and place for pre-hearing conferences for the purposes of establishing schedules, clarifying the issues, simplifying the evidence, facilitating discovery, expediting proceedings, encouraging settlement, or giving the parties notice of the presiding officer's availability to parties.

(5) Pre-hearing Documents.

(a) At least 15 business days before a scheduled hearing, the executive secretary shall compile a draft list of prehearing documents as described in (b), and shall provide the list to all other parties. Each party may propose to add documents to or delete document from the list. At least seven business days before a scheduled hearing, the executive secretary shall issue a final prehearing document list, which shall include only those documents upon which all parties agree unless otherwise ordered by the presiding officer. All documents on the final prehearing document list shall be made available to the presiding officer prior to the hearing, and shall be deemed to be authenticated.

(b) The prehearing document list shall ordinarily include any pertinent permit application, any pertinent inspection report, any pertinent draft document that was released for public comment, any pertinent public comments received, any pertinent initial order or notice of violation, the request for or notice of agency action, and any responsive pleading. The list is not intended to be an exhaustive list of every document relevant to the proceeding, however any document may be included upon the agreement of all parties.

(6) Briefs.

(a) Unless otherwise directed by the presiding officer, parties to the proceeding shall submit a pre-hearing brief, which shall include a proposed order meeting the requirements of 63G-4-208, at least seven business days before the hearing. The prehearing brief shall be limited to 20 pages exclusive of the proposed order.

(b) Post-hearing briefs and responsive briefs will be allowed only as authorized by the presiding officer.

(7) Schedules.

(a) The parties are encouraged to prepare a joint proposed schedule for discovery, for other pre-hearing proceedings, for the hearing, and for any post-hearing proceedings. If the parties cannot agree on a joint proposed schedule, any party may submit a proposed schedule to the presiding officer for consideration.

(b) The presiding officer shall establish a schedule for the matters described in (a) above.

(8) Motions. All motions shall be filed a minimum of 12 days before a scheduled hearing, unless otherwise directed by the presiding officer. A memorandum in opposition to a motion may be filed within 10 days of the filing of the motion, or at least one day before any scheduled hearing, whichever is earlier. Memoranda in support of or in opposition to motions may not exceed 15 pages unless otherwise provided by the presiding officer.

(9) Filing and Copies of Submissions. The original of any motion, brief, petition for intervention, or other submission shall be filed with the executive secretary. In addition, the submitter shall provide a copy to each presiding officer, to each party of record, and to all persons who have petitioned for intervention, but for whom intervention has been neither granted nor denied.

R307-103-8. Hearings.

The presiding officer shall govern the conduct of a hearing, and may establish reasonable limits on the length of witness testimony, cross-examination, oral arguments or opening and closing statements.

R307-103-9. Orders.

(1) Recommended Orders of Appointed Presiding Officers.

(a) Unless an appointed presiding officer is required by the terms of his appointment to issue a final order, he shall prepare a recommended order for the board, and shall provide copies of the recommended order to the board and to all parties.

(b) Any party may, within 10 days of the date the recommended order is mailed, delivered, or published, comment on the recommended order. Such comments shall be limited to 15 pages and shall cite to the specific parts of the record which support the comments.

(c) The board shall review the recommended order, comments on the recommended order, and those specific parts of the record cited by the parties in any comments. The board shall then determine whether to accept, reject, or modify the recommended order. The board may remand part or all of the matter to the presiding officer or may itself act as presiding officers for further proceedings.

(d) The board may modify this procedure with notice to all parties.

(2) Final Orders. The board shall issue a final order which shall include the information required by 63G-4-208 or 63G-4-203(1)(i).

R307-103-10. Stays of Orders.

(1) Stay of Orders Pending Administrative Adjudication.

(a) A party seeking a stay of a challenged order during an

adjudicative proceeding shall file a motion with the board. If granted, a stay would suspend the challenged order for the period as directed by the board.

(b) The board may order a stay of the order if the party seeking the stay demonstrates the following:

(i) The party seeking the stay will suffer irreparable harm unless the stay is issued;

(ii) The threatened injury to the party seeking the stay outweighs whatever damage the proposed stay is likely to cause the party restrained or enjoined;

(iii) The stay, if issued, would not be adverse to the public interest; and

(iv) There is substantial likelihood that the party seeking the stay will prevail on the merits of the underlying claim, or the case presents serious issues on the merits which should be the subject of further adjudication.

(2) Stay of the Order Pending Judicial Review.

(a) A party seeking a stay of the board's final order during the pendency of judicial review shall file a motion with the board.

(b) The board as presiding officer may grant a stay of its order during the pendency of judicial review if the standards of R307-103-10(1)(b) are met.

R307-103-11. Reconsideration.

No agency review under 63G-4-301 is available. A party may request reconsideration of an order of the presiding officer as provided in 63G-4-302.

R307-103-12. Disqualification of Board Members or Other Presiding Officers.

(1) Disqualification of Board Members or Other Presiding Officers.

(a) A member of the board or other presiding officer shall disqualify himself from performing the functions of the presiding officer regarding any matter in which he, or his spouse, or a person within the third degree of relationship to either of them, or the spouse of such person:

(i) Is a party to the proceeding, or an officer, director, or trustee of a party;

(ii) Has acted as an attorney in the proceeding or served as an attorney for, or otherwise represented a party concerning the matter in controversy;

(iii) Knows that he has a financial interest, either individually or as a fiduciary, in the subject matter in controversy or in a party to the proceeding;

(iv) Knows that he has any other interest that could be substantially affected by the outcome of the proceeding; or

(v) Is likely to be a material witness in the proceeding.

(b) A member of the board or other presiding officer is also subject to disqualification under principles of due process and administrative law.

(c) These requirements are in addition to any requirements under the Utah Public Officers' and Employees' Ethics Act, Utah Code Ann. Section 67-16-1 et seq.

(2) Motions for Disqualification. A motion for disqualification shall be made first to the presiding officer. If the presiding officer is appointed, any determination of the presiding officer upon a motion for disqualification may be appealed to the board.

R307-103-13. Declaratory Orders.

(1) A request for a declaratory order may be filed in accordance with the provisions of 63G-4-503. The request shall be titled a petition for declaratory order and shall meet the requirements of 63G-4-201(3). The request shall also set out a proposed order.

(2) Requests for declaratory order, if set for adjudicative hearing, will be conducted using formal procedures unless converted to an informal proceeding under R307-103-4(2) above.

(3) The provisions of 63G-4-202 through 63G-4-302 apply to declaratory proceedings, as do the provisions of this Rule R307-103.

R307-103-14. Miscellaneous.

(1) Modifying Requirements of Rules. For good cause, the requirements of these rules may be modified by order of the presiding officer.

(2) Extensions of Time. Except as otherwise provided by statute, the presiding officer may approve extensions of any time limits established by this rule, and may extend time limits adopted in schedules established under R307-103-7(6). The presiding officer may also postpone hearings. The chair of the board may act as presiding officer for purposes of this paragraph.

(3) Computation of Time. Time shall be computed as provided in Rule 6(a) of the Utah Rules of Civil Procedure except that no additional time shall be allowed for service by mail.

(4) Appearances and Representation.

(a) An individual who is a participant to a proceeding, or an officer designated by a partnership, corporation, association, or governmental entity which is a participant to a proceeding, may represent his, her, or its interest in the proceeding.

(b) Any participant may be represented by legal counsel.

(5) Other Forms of Address. Nothing in these rules shall prevent any person from requesting an opportunity to address the board as a member of the public, rather than as a party. An opportunity to address the board shall be granted at the discretion of the board. Addressing the board in this manner does not constitute a request for agency action under R307-103-3.

(6) Settlement. A settlement may be through an administrative order or through a proposed judicial consent decree, subject to the agreement of the settlers.

(7) Requests for Records. Requests for records and related assessments of fees for records under the Title 63G, Chapter 2, Utah Government Record Access and Management Act, and Title 63A, Chapter 12, Archives and Records Service, are not governed by Title 63G, Chapter 4, Utah Administrative Procedures Act, or by this rule.

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R307. Environmental Quality, Air Quality.
R307-107. General Requirements: Unavoidable Breakdown.
R307-107-1. Application.

R307-107 applies to all regulated pollutants including those for which there are National Ambient Air Quality Standards. Except as otherwise provided in R307-107, emissions resulting from an unavoidable breakdown will not be deemed a violation of these regulations. If excess emissions are predictable, they must be authorized under the variance procedure in R307-102-4. Breakdowns that are caused entirely or in part by poor maintenance, careless operation, or any other preventable upset condition or preventable equipment breakdown shall not be considered unavoidable breakdown.

R307-107-2. Reporting.

A breakdown for any period longer than 2 hours must be reported to the executive secretary within 3 hours of the beginning of the breakdown if reasonable, but in no case longer than 18 hours after the beginning of the breakdown. During times other than normal office hours, breakdowns for any period longer than 2 hours shall be initially reported to the Environmental Health Emergency Response Coordinator, Telephone (801) 536-4123. Within 7 calendar days of the beginning of any breakdown of longer than 2 hours, a written report shall be submitted to the executive secretary which shall include the cause and nature of the event, estimated quantity of pollutant (total and excess), time of emissions and steps taken to control the emissions and to prevent recurrence. The submittal of such information shall be used by the executive secretary in determining whether a violation has occurred and/or the need of further enforcement action.

R307-107-3. Penalties.

Failure to comply with the reporting procedures of R307-107-2 will constitute a violation of these regulations.

R307-107-4. Procedures.

The owner or operator of an installation suffering an unavoidable breakdown shall assure that emission limitations and visible emission limitations are exceeded for only as short a period of time as reasonable. The owner or operator shall take all reasonable measures which may include but are not limited to the immediate curtailment of production, operations, or activities at all installations of the source if necessary to limit the total aggregate emissions from the source to no greater than the aggregate allowable emissions averaged over the periods provided in the source's approval orders or R307. In the event that production, operations or activities cannot be curtailed so as to so limit the total aggregate emissions without jeopardizing equipment or safety or measures taken would result in even greater excess emissions, the owner or operator of the source shall use the most rapid, reasonable procedure to reduce emissions. The owner or operator of any installation subject to a SIP emission limitation pursuant to these rules shall be deemed to have complied with the provisions of R307-107 if the emission limitation has not been exceeded.

R307-107-5. Violation.

Failure to comply with curtailment actions required by R307-107-4 will constitute a violation of R307-107.

R307-107-6. Emissions Standards.

Other provisions of R307 may require more stringent controls than listed herein, in which case those requirements must be met.

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R307. Environmental Quality, Air Quality.
R307-150. Emission Inventories.
R307-150-1. Purpose and General Requirements.

(1) The purpose of R305-150 is:

(a) to establish by rule the time frame, pollutants, and information that sources must include in inventory submittals; and

(b) to establish consistent reporting requirements for stationary sources in Utah to determine whether sulfur dioxide emissions remain below the sulfur dioxide milestones established in the State Implementation Plan for Regional Haze, section XX.E.1.a, incorporated by reference in R307-110-28.

(2) The requirements of R307-150 replace any annual inventory reporting requirements in approval orders or operating permits issued prior to December 4, 2003.

(3) Emission inventories shall be submitted on or before ninety days following the effective date of this rule and thereafter on or before April 15 of each year following the calendar year for which an inventory is required. The inventory shall be submitted in a format specified by the Division of Air Quality following consultation with each source.

(4) The executive secretary may require at any time a full or partial year inventory upon reasonable notice to affected sources when it is determined that the inventory is necessary to develop a state implementation plan, to assess whether there is a threat to public health or safety or the environment, or to determine whether the source is in compliance with R307.

(5) Recordkeeping Requirements.

(a) Each owner or operator of a stationary source subject to this rule shall maintain a copy of the emission inventory submitted to the Division of Air Quality and records indicating how the information submitted in the inventory was determined, including any calculations, data, measurements, and estimates used. The records under R307-150-4 shall be kept for ten years. Other records shall be kept for a period of at least five years from the due date of each inventory.

(b) The owner or operator of the stationary source shall make these records available for inspection by any representative of the Division of Air Quality during normal business hours.

R307-150-2. Definitions.

The following additional definitions apply to R307-150.

"Acute Contaminant" means any noncarcinogenic air contaminant for which a threshold limit value - ceiling (TLV-C) has been adopted by the American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists in its "Threshold Limit Values for Chemical Substances and Physical Agents and Biological Exposure Indices," 2003 edition.

"Carcinogenic Contaminant" means any air contaminant that is classified as a known human carcinogen (A1) or suspected human carcinogen (A2) by the American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists in its "Threshold Limit Values for Chemical Substances and Physical Agents and Biological Exposure Indices," 2003 edition.

"Chronic Contaminant" means any noncarcinogenic air contaminant for which a threshold limit value - time weighted average (TLV-TWA) having no threshold limit value - ceiling (TLV-C) has been adopted by the American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists in its "Threshold Limit Values for Chemical Substances and Physical Agents and Biological Exposure Indices," 2003 edition.

"Dioxins" and "Furans" mean total tetra- through octachlorinated dibenzo-p-dioxins and dibenzofurans.

"Emissions unit" means emissions unit as defined in R307-415-3.

"Large Major Source" means a major source that emits or has the potential to emit 2500 tons or more per year of oxides of sulfur, oxides of nitrogen, or carbon monoxide, or that emits or has the potential to emit 250 tons or more per year of PM10, PM2.5, volatile organic compounds, or ammonia.

"Lead" means elemental lead and the portion of its compounds measured as elemental lead.

"Major Source" means major source as defined in R307-415-3.

R307-150-3. Applicability.

(1) R307-150-4 applies to all stationary sources with actual emissions of 100 tons or more per year of sulfur dioxide in calendar year 2000 or any subsequent year unless exempted in (a) below. Sources subject to R307-150-4 may be subject to other sections of R307-150.

(a) A stationary source that meets the requirements of R307-150-3(1) that has permanently ceased operation is exempt from the requirements of R307-150-4 for all years during which the source did not operate at any time during the year.

(b) Except as provided in (a) above, any source that meets the criteria of R307-150-3(1) and that emits less than 100 tons per year of sulfur dioxide in any subsequent year shall remain subject to the requirements of R307-150-4 until 2018 or until the first control period under the Western Backstop Sulfur Dioxide Trading Program as established in R307-250-12(1)(a), whichever is earlier.

(2) R307-150-5 applies to large major sources.

(3) R307-150-6 applies to:

(a) each major source that is not a large major source;

(b) each source with the potential to emit 5 tons or more per year of lead; and

(c) each source not included in (2) or (3)(a) or (3)(b) above that is located in Davis, Salt Lake, Utah, or Weber Counties and that has the potential to emit 25 tons or more per year of any combination of oxides of nitrogen, oxides of sulfur and PM10, or the potential to emit 10 tons or more per year of volatile organic compounds.

(4) R307-150-7 applies to Part 70 sources not included in (2) or (3) above.

R307-150-4. Sulfur Dioxide Milestone Inventory Requirements.

(1) Annual Sulfur Dioxide Emission Report.

(a) Sources identified in R307-150-3(1) shall submit an annual inventory of sulfur dioxide emissions beginning with calendar year 2003 for all emissions units including fugitive emissions.

(b) The inventory shall include the rate and period of emissions, excess or breakdown emissions, startup and shut down emissions, the specific emissions unit that is the source of the air pollution, type and efficiency of the air pollution control equipment, percent of sulfur content in fuel and how the percent is calculated, and other information necessary to quantify operation and emissions and to evaluate pollution control efficiency. The emissions of a pollutant shall be calculated using the source's actual operating hours, production rates, and types of materials processed, stored, or combusted during the inventoried time period.

(2) Each source subject to R307-150-4 that is also subject to 40 CFR Part 75 reporting requirements shall submit a summary report of annual sulfur dioxide emissions that were reported to the Environmental Protection Agency under 40 CFR Part 75 in lieu of the reporting requirements in (1) above.

(3) Changes in Emission Measurement Techniques. Each source subject to R307-150-4 that uses a different emission monitoring or calculation method than was used to report their sulfur dioxide emissions in 2006 under R307-150 or 40 CFR Part 75 shall adjust their reported emissions to be comparable to the emission monitoring or calculation method that was used in 2006. The calculations that are used to make this adjustment shall be included with the annual emission report.

R307-150-5. Sources Identified in R307-150-3(2), Large Major Source Inventory Requirements.

(1) Each large major source shall submit an emission inventory annually beginning with calendar year 2002. The inventory shall include PM10, PM2.5, oxides of sulfur, oxides of nitrogen, carbon monoxide, volatile organic compounds, and ammonia for all emissions units including fugitive emissions.

(2) For every third year beginning with 2005, the inventory shall also include all other chargeable pollutants and hazardous air pollutants not exempted in R307-150-8.

(3) For each pollutant specified in (1) or (2) above, the inventory shall include the rate and period of emissions, excess or breakdown emissions, startup and shut down emissions, the specific emissions unit that is the source of the air pollution, composition of air contaminant, type and efficiency of the air pollution control equipment, and other information necessary to quantify operation and emissions and to evaluate pollution control efficiency. The emissions of a pollutant shall be calculated using the source's actual operating hours, production rates, and types of materials processed, stored, or combusted during the inventoried time period.

R307-150-6. Sources Identified in R307-150-3(3).

(1) Each source identified in R307-150-3(3) shall submit an inventory every third year beginning with calendar year 2002 for all emissions units including fugitive emissions.

(a) The inventory shall include PM10, PM2.5, oxides of sulfur, oxides of nitrogen, carbon monoxide, volatile organic compounds, ammonia, other chargeable pollutants, and hazardous air pollutants not exempted in R307-150-8.

(b) For each pollutant, the inventory shall include the rate and period of emissions, excess or breakdown emissions, startup and shut down emissions, the specific emissions unit which is the source of the air pollution, composition of air contaminant, type and efficiency of the air pollution control equipment, and other information necessary to quantify operation and emissions and to evaluate pollution control efficiency. The emissions of a pollutant shall be calculated using the source's actual operating hours, production rates, and types of materials processed, stored, or combusted during the inventoried time period.

(2) Sources identified in R307-150-3(3) shall submit an inventory for each year after 2002 in which the total amount of PM10, oxides of sulfur, oxides of nitrogen, carbon monoxide, or volatile organic compounds increases or decreases by 40 tons or more per year from the most recently submitted inventory. For each pollutant, the inventory shall meet the requirements of R307-150-6(1)(a) and (b).

R307-150-7. Sources Identified in R307-150-3(4), Other Part 70 Sources.

(1) Sources identified in R307-150-3(4) shall submit the following emissions inventory every third year beginning with calendar year 2002 for all emission units including fugitive emissions.

(2) Sources identified in R307-150-3(4) shall submit an inventory for each year after 2002 in which the total amount of PM10, oxides of sulfur, oxides of nitrogen, carbon monoxide, or volatile organic compounds increases or decreases by 40 tons or more per year from the most recently submitted inventory.

(3) The emission inventory shall include individual pollutant totals of all chargeable pollutants not exempted in R307-150-8.

R307-150-8. Exempted Hazardous Air Pollutants.

(1) The following air pollutants are exempt from this rule if they are emitted in an amount less than that listed in Table 1.

TABLE 1

CONTAMINANT	Pounds/year
Arsenic	0.21
Benzene	33.90
Beryllium	0.04
Ethylene oxide	38.23
Formaldehyde	5.83

(2) Hazardous air pollutants, except for dioxins or furans, are exempt from being reported if they are emitted in an amount less than the smaller of the following:

(a) 500 pounds per year; or

(b) for acute contaminants, the applicable TLV-C expressed in milligrams per cubic meter and multiplied by 15.81 to obtain the pounds-per-year threshold; or

(c) for chronic contaminants, the applicable TLV-TWA expressed in milligrams per cubic meter and multiplied by 21.22 to obtain the pounds-per-year threshold; or

(d) for carcinogenic contaminants, the applicable TLV-C or TLV-TWA expressed in milligrams per cubic meter and multiplied by 7.07 to obtain the pounds-per-year threshold.

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R309. Environmental Quality, Drinking Water.
R309-515. Facility Design and Operation: Source Development.
R309-515-1. Purpose.

This rule specifies requirements for public drinking water sources. It is intended to be applied in conjunction with R309-500 through R309-550. Collectively, these rules govern the design, construction, operation and maintenance of public drinking water system facilities. These rules are intended to assure that such facilities are reliably capable of supplying adequate quantities of water that consistently meet applicable drinking water quality requirements and do not pose a threat to general public health.

R309-515-2. Authority.

This rule is promulgated by the Drinking Water Board as authorized by Title 19, Environmental Quality Code, Chapter 4, Safe Drinking Water Act, Subsection 104(1)(a)(ii) of the Utah Code Annotated and in accordance with Title 63, Chapter 46a of the same, known as the Administrative Rulemaking Act.

R309-515-3. Definitions.

Definitions for certain terms used in this rule are given in R309-110 but may be further clarified herein.

R309-515-4. General.

(1) Issues to be Considered.

The selection, development and operation of a public drinking water source must be done in a manner which will protect public health and assure that all required water quality standards, as described in R309-200, are met.

(2) Communication with the Division.

Because of the issues described above in (1), engineers are advised to work closely with the Division to help assure that sources are properly sited, developed and operated.

(3) Number of Sources and Quantity Requirements.

Community water systems established after January 1, 1998 serving more than 100 connections shall have a minimum of two sources, except where served by a water treatment plant. Community Water Systems established prior to that date, currently serving more than 100 connections, shall obtain a separate source no later than January 1, 2000. For all systems, the total developed source capacity(ies) shall equal or exceed the peak day demand of the system. Refer to R309-510-7 of these rules for procedure to estimate the peak day demand.

(4) Quality Requirements.

In selecting a source of water for development, the designing engineer shall demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Executive Secretary that the source(s) selected for use in public water systems are of satisfactory quality, or can be treated in a manner so that the quality requirements of R309-200 can be met.

(5) Initial Analyses.

All new drinking water sources, unless otherwise noted below, shall be analyzed for the following:

(a) All the primary and secondary inorganic contaminants listed in R309-200, Table 200-1 and Table 200-5 (excluding Asbestos unless it would be required by R309-205-5(2)),

(b) Ammonia as N; Boron; Calcium; Chromium, Hex as Cr; Copper; Lead; Magnesium; Potassium; Turbidity, as NTU; Specific Conductivity at 25 degrees Celsius, u mhos/cm; Bicarbonate; Carbon Dioxide; Carbonate; Hydroxide; Phosphorous, Ortho as P; Silica, dissolved as SiO_2; Surfactant as MBAS; Total Hardness as $CaCO_3$; and Alkalinity as $CaCO_3$,

(c) Pesticides, PCB's and SOC's as listed in R309-200-5(3)(a), Table 200-2 unless the system is a transient non-community pws or, if a community pws or non-transient non-community pws, they have received waivers in accordance with R309-205-6(1)(f). The following six constituents have been excused from monitoring in the State by the EPA, dibromochloropropane, ethylene dibromide, Diquat, Endothall, glyphosate and Dioxin,

(d) VOC's as listed in R309-200-5(3)(b), Table 200-3 unless the system is a transient non-community pws, and

(e) Radiologic chemicals as listed in R309-200-5(4) unless the system is a non-transient non-community pws or a transient non-community pws.

All analyses shall be performed by a certified laboratory as required by R309-205-4 (Specially prepared sample bottles are required),

(6) Source Classification.

Subsection R309-505-7(1)(a)(i) provides information on the classification of water sources. The Executive Secretary shall classify all existing or new sources as either:

(a) Surface water or ground water under direct influence of surface water which will require conventional surface water treatment or an approved equivalent, or as

(b) Ground water not under the direct influence of surface water.

(7) Latitude and Longitude.

The latitude and longitude, to at least the nearest second, or the location by section, township, range, and course and distance from an established outside section corner or quarter corner of each point of diversion shall be submitted to the Executive Secretary prior to source approval.

R309-515-5. Surface Water Sources.

(1) Definition.

A surface water source, as is defined in R309-110, shall include, but not be limited to tributary systems, drainage basins, natural lakes, artificial reservoirs, impoundments and springs or wells which have been classified as being directly influenced by surface water. Surface water sources will not be considered for culinary use unless they can be rendered acceptable by conventional surface water treatment or other equivalent treatment techniques acceptable to the Executive Secretary.

(2) Pre-design Submittal.

The following information must be submitted to the Executive Secretary and approved in writing before commencement of design of diversion structures and/or water treatment facilities:

(a) A copy of the chemical analyses required by R309-200 and described in R309-515-4(5) above, and

(b) A survey of the watershed tributary to the watercourse along which diversion structures are proposed. The survey shall include, but not be limited to:

(i) determining possible future uses of impoundments or reservoirs,

(ii) the present stream classification by the Division of Water Quality, any obstacles to having stream(s) reclassified 1C, and determining degree of watershed control by owner or other agencies,

(iii) assessing degree of hazard to the supply by accidental spillage of materials that may be toxic, harmful or detrimental to treatment processes,

(iv) obtaining samples over a sufficient period of time to assess the microbiological, physical, chemical and radiological characteristics and variations of the water,

(v) assessing the capability of the proposed treatment process to reduce contaminants to applicable standards, and

(vi) consideration of currents, wind and ice conditions, and the effect of tributary streams at their confluence.

(3) Pre-construction Submittal.

Following approval of a surface water source, the following additional information must be submitted for review and approval prior to commencement of construction:

(a) Evidence that the water system owner has a legal right to divert water from the proposed source for domestic or

municipal purposes;

(b) Documentation regarding the minimum firm yield which the watercourse is capable of producing (see R309-515-5(4)(a) below; and

(c) Complete plans and specifications and supporting documentation for the proposed treatment facilities so as to ascertain compliance with R309-525 or R309-530.

(4) Quantity.

The quantity of water from surface sources shall:

(a) Be assumed to be no greater than the low flow of a 25 year recurrence interval or the low flow of record for these sources when 25 years of records are not available;

(b) Meet or exceed the anticipated peak day demand for water as estimated in R309-510-7 and provide a reasonable surplus for anticipated growth; and

(c) Be adequate to compensate for all losses such as silting, evaporation, seepage, and sludge disposal which would be anticipated in the normal operation of the treatment facility.

(5) Diversion Structures.

Design of intake structures shall provide for:

(a) Withdrawal of water from more than one level if quality varies with depth;

(b) Intake of lowest withdrawal elevation located at sufficient depth to be kept submerged at the low water elevation of the reservoir;

(c) Separate facilities for release of less desirable water held in storage;

(d) Occasional cleaning of the inlet line;

(e) A diversion device capable of keeping large quantities of fish or debris from entering an intake structure; and

(f) Suitable protection of pumps where used to transfer diverted water (refer to R309-540-5).

(6) Impoundments.

The design of an impoundment reservoir shall provide for, where applicable:

(a) Removal of brush and trees to the high water level;

(b) Protection from floods during construction;

(c) Abandonment of all wells which may be inundated (refer to applicable requirements of the Division of Water Rights); and

(d) Adequate precautions to limit nutrient loads.

R309-515-6. Ground Water - Wells.

(1) Required Treatment.

If properly developed, water from wells may be suitable for culinary use without treatment. A determination as to whether treatment may be required can only be made after the source has been developed and evaluated.

(2) Standby Power.

Water suppliers, particularly community water suppliers, should assess the capability of their system in the event of a power outage. If gravity fed spring sources are not available, one or more of the system's well sources should be equipped for operation during power outages. In this event:

(a) To ensure continuous service when the primary power has been interrupted, a power supply should be provided through connection to at least two independent public power sources, or portable or in-place auxiliary power available as an alternative; and

(b) When automatic pre-lubrication of pump bearings is necessary, and an auxiliary power supply is provided, the pre-lubrication line should be provided with a valved by-pass around the automatic control, or the automatic control shall be wired to the emergency power source.

(3) The Utah Division of Water Rights.

The Utah Division of Water Rights (State Engineer's Office) regulates the drilling of water wells. Before the drilling of a well commences, the well driller must receive a start card from the State Engineer's Office. For public drinking water supply wells the rules of R655-4 still apply and must be followed in addition to these rules.

(4) Source Protection.

Public drinking water systems are responsible for protecting their sources from contamination. The selection of a well location shall only be made after consideration of the requirements of R309-600. Sources shall be located in an area which will minimize threats from existing or potential sources of pollution.

If certain precautions are taken, sewer lines may be permitted within a public drinking water system's source protection zones at the discretion of the Executive Secretary. When sewer lines are permitted in protection zones both sewer lines and manholes shall be specially constructed as follows:

(a) sewer lines shall be ductile iron pipe with mechanical joints or fusion welded high density polyethylene plastic pipe (solvent welded joints shall not be accepted);

(b) lateral to main connection shall be shop fabricated or saddled with a mechanical clamping watertight device designed for the specific pipe;

(c) the sewer pipe to manhole connections shall made using a shop fabricated sewer pipe seal ring cast into the manhole base (a mechanical joint shall be installed within 12 inches of the manhole base on each line entering the manhole, regardless of the pipe material);

(d) the sewer pipe shall be laid with no greater than 2 percent deflection at any joint;

(e) backfill shall be compacted to not less than 95 percent of maximum laboratory density as determined in accordance with ASTM Standard D-690;

(f) sewer manholes shall meet the following requirements:

(i) the manhole base and walls, up to a point at least 12 inches above the top of the upper most sewer pipe entering the manhole, shall be shop fabricated in a single concrete pour.

(ii) the manholes shall be constructed of reinforced concrete.

(iii) all sewer lines and manholes shall be air pressure tested after installation.

(5) Outline of Well Approval Process.

(a) Well drilling shall not commence until both of the following items are submitted and receive a favorable review:

(i) a Preliminary Evaluation Report on source protection issues as required by R309-600-13, and

(ii) engineering plans and specifications governing the well drilling, prepared by a licensed well driller holding a current Utah Well Drillers Permit if previously authorized by the Executive Secretary or prepared, signed and stamped by a licensed professional engineer or professional geologist licensed to practice in Utah.

(b) Grouting Inspection During Well Construction.

An engineer from the Division, or the appropriate district engineer of the Department of Environmental Quality, an authorized representative of the State Engineer's Office, or an individual authorized by the Executive Secretary shall be contacted at least three days before the anticipated beginning of the well grouting procedure (see R309-515-6(6)(i)). The well grouting procedure shall be witnessed by one of these individuals or their designee.

(c) After completion of the well drilling the following information shall be submitted and receive a favorable review before water from the well can be introduced into a public water system:

(i) a copy of the "Report of Well Driller" as required by the State Engineer's Office which is complete in all aspects and has been stamped as received by the same;

(ii) a copy of the letter from the authorized individual described in R309-515-6(5)(b) above, indicating inspection and confirmation that the well was grouted in accordance with the well drilling specifications and the requirements of this rule;

(iii) a copy of the pump test including the yield vs. drawdown test as described in R309-515-6(10)(b) along with comments / interpretation by a licensed professional engineer or licensed professional geologist of the graphic drawdown information required by R309-515-6(b)(vi)(E);

(iv) a copy of the chemical analyses required by R309-515-4(5);

(v) documentation indicating that the water system owner has a right to divert water for domestic or municipal purposes from the well source;

(vi) a copy of complete plans and specifications prepared, signed and stamped by a licensed professional engineer covering the well housing, equipment and diversion piping necessary to introduce water from the well into the distribution system; and

(vii) a bacteriological analysis of water obtained from the well after installation of permanent equipment, disinfection and flushing.

(d) An Operation Permit shall be obtained in accordance with R309-500-9 before any water from the well is introduced into a public water system.

(6) Well Materials, Design and Construction.

(a) ANSI/NSF Standards 60 and 61 Certification.

All interior surfaces must consist of products complying with ANSI/NSF Standard 61. This requirement applies to drop pipes, well screens, coatings, adhesives, solders, fluxes, pumps, switches, electrical wire, sensors, and all other equipment or surfaces which may contact the drinking water.

All substances introduced into the well during construction or development shall be certified to comply with ANSI/NSF Standard 60. This requirement applies to drilling fluids (biocides, clay thinners, defoamers, foamers, loss circulation materials, lubricants, oxygen scavengers, viscosifiers, weighting agents) and regenerants. This requirement also applies to well grouting and sealing materials which may come in direct contact with the drinking water.

(b) Permanent Steel Casing Pipe shall:

(i) be new single steel casing pipe meeting AWWA Standard A-100, ASTM or API specifications and having a minimum weight and thickness as given in Table 1 found in R655-4-9.4 of the Utah Administrative Code (Administrative Rules for Water Well Drillers, adopted January 1, 2001, Division of Water Rights);

(ii) have additional thickness and weight if minimum thickness is not considered sufficient to assure reasonable life expectancy of the well;

(iii) be capable of withstanding forces to which it is subjected;

(iv) be equipped with a drive shoe when driven;

(v) have full circumferential welds or threaded coupling joints; and

(vi) project at least 18 inches above the anticipated final ground surface and at least 12 inches above the anticipated pump house floor level. At sites subject to flooding the top of the well casing shall terminate at least three feet above the 100 year flood level or the highest known flood elevation, whichever is higher.

(c) Non-Ferrous Casing Material.

The use of any non-ferrous material for a well casing shall receive prior approval of the Executive Secretary based on the ability of the material to perform its desired function. Thermoplastic water well casing pipe shall meet ANSI/ASTM Standard F480-76 and shall bear the logo NSF-wc indicating compliance with NSF Standard 14 for use as well casing.

(d) Disposal of Cuttings.

Cuttings and waste from well drilling operations shall not be discharged into a waterway, lake or reservoir. The rules of the Utah Division of Water Quality must be observed with respect to these discharges.

(e) Packers.

Packers, if used, shall be of material that will not impart taste, odor, toxic substances or bacterial contamination to the well water. Lead, or partial lead packers are specifically prohibited.

(f) Screens.

The use of well screens is recommended where appropriate and, if used, they shall:

(i) be constructed of material resistant to damage by chemical action of groundwater or cleaning operations;

(ii) have size of openings based on sieve analysis of formations or gravel pack materials;

(iii) have sufficient diameter to provide adequate specific capacity and low aperture entrance velocities;

(iv) be installed so that the operating water level remains above the screen under all pumping conditions; and

(v) be provided with a bottom plate or washdown bottom fitting of the same material as the screen.

(g) Plumbness and Alignment Requirements.

Every well shall be tested for plumbness and vertical alignment in accordance with AWWA Standard A100. Plans and specifications submitted for review shall:

(i) have the test method and allowable tolerances clearly stated in the specifications. and

(ii) clearly indicate any options the design engineer may have if the well fails to meet the requirements. Generally wells may be accepted if the misalignment does not interfere with the installation or operation of the pump or uniform placement of grout.

(h) Casing Perforations.

The placement of perforations in the well casing shall:

(i) be so located to permit as far as practical the uniform collection of water around the circumference of the well casing, and

(ii) be of dimensions and size to restrain the water bearing soils from entrance into the well.

(i) Grouting Techniques and Requirements.

For all public drinking water wells the annulus between the outermost well casing and the borehole wall shall be grouted to a depth of at least 100 feet below the ground surface unless an "exception" is issued by the Executive Secretary (see R309-500-4(1)). If more than one casing is used, including a conductor casing, the annulus between the outermost casing and the next inner casing shall be sealed with grout (meeting the grouting materials requirements of R309-515-6(i)(ii) herein) or with a water tight steel ring having a thickness equal to that of the permanent well casing and continuously welded to both casings.

If a well is to be considered in a protected aquifer the grout seal shall extend from the ground surface down to at least 100 feet below the surface, and through the protective layer, as described in R309-600-6(1)(x) (see also R309-515-6(6)(i)(iii)(D) below).

The following applies to all drinking water wells:

(i) Consideration During Well Construction.

(A) Sufficient annular opening shall be provided to permit a minimum of two inches of grout between the outermost permanent casing and the drilled hole, taking into consideration any joint couplings.

(B) Additional information is available from the Division for recommended construction methods for grout placement.

(C) The casing(s) must be provided with sufficient guides welded to the casing to permit unobstructed flow and uniform thickness of grout.

(ii) Grouting Materials.

(A) Neat Cement Grout.

Cement, conforming to ASTM Standard C150, and water, with no more than six gallons of water per sack of cement, shall be used for two inch openings. Additives may be used to increase fluidity subject to approval by the Executive Secretary.

(B) Concrete Grout.

Equal parts of cement conforming to ASTM Standard C150, and sand, with not more than six gallons of water per sack of cement may be used for openings larger than two inches.

(C) Clay Seal.

Where an annular opening greater than six inches is available a seal of swelling bentonite meeting the requirements of R655-4-9.4.2 may be used when approved by the Executive Secretary.

(iii) Application.

(A) When the annular opening is less than four inches, grout shall be installed under pressure, by means of a positive displacement grout pump, from the bottom of the annular opening to be filled.

(B) When the annular opening is four or more inches and 100 feet or less in depth, and concrete grout is used, it may be placed by gravity through a grout pipe installed to the bottom of the annular opening in one continuous operation until the annular opening is filled.

(C) All temporary construction casings shall be removed prior to or during the well sealing operation. Any exceptions shall be approved by the State Engineer and evidence of approval submitted to the Executive Secretary (see R655-4-9.4.3.1 for conditions surrounding leaving temporary surface casing in place. A temporary construction casing is a casing not intended to be part of the permanent well.

(D) When a "well in a protected aquifer" classification is desired, the grout seal shall extend from the ground surface down to at least 100 feet below the surface, and through the protective clay layer (see R309-600-6(1)(x)).

(E) After cement grouting is applied, work on the well shall be discontinued until the cement or concrete grout has properly set; usually a period of 72 hours.

(j) Water Entered Into Well During Construction.

Any water entering a well during construction shall not be contaminated and should be obtained from a chlorinated municipal system. Where this is not possible the water must be dosed to give a 100 mg/l free chlorine residual. Refer also to the administrative rules of the Division of Water Rights in this regard.

(k) Gravel Pack Wells.

The following shall apply to gravel packed wells:

(i) the gravel pack material is to be of well rounded particles, 95 percent siliceous material, that are smooth and uniform, free of foreign material, properly sized, washed and then disinfected immediately prior to or during placement,

(ii) the gravel pack is placed in one uniform continuous operation,

(iii) refill pipes, when used, are Schedule 40 steel pipe incorporated within the pump foundation and terminated with screwed or welded caps at least 12 inches above the pump house floor or concrete apron,

(iv) refill pipes located in the grouted annular opening be surrounded by a minimum of 1.5 inches of grout,

(v) protection provided to prevent leakage of grout into the gravel pack or screen, and

(vi) any casings not withdrawn entirely meet requirements of R309-515-6(6)(b) or R309-515-6(6)(c).

(7) Well Development.

(a) Every well shall be developed to remove the native silts and clays, drilling mud or finer fraction of the gravel pack.

(b) Development should continue until the maximum specific capacity is obtained from the completed well.

(c) Where chemical conditioning is required, the specifications shall include provisions for the method, equipment, chemicals, testing for residual chemicals, and disposal of waste and inhibitors.

(d) Where blasting procedures may be used the specifications shall include the provisions for blasting and cleaning. Special attention shall be given to assure that the grouting and casing are not damaged by the blasting.

(8) Capping Requirements.

(a) A welded metal plate or a threaded cap is the preferred method for capping a completed well until permanent equipment is installed.

(b) At all times during the progress of work the contractor shall provide protection to prevent tampering with the well or entrance of foreign materials.

(9) Well Abandonment.

(a) Test wells and groundwater sources which are to be permanently abandoned shall be sealed by such methods as necessary to restore the controlling geological conditions which existed prior to construction or as directed by the Utah Division of Water Rights.

(b) Wells to be abandoned shall be sealed to prevent undesirable exchange of water from one aquifer to another. Prefernce shall be given to using a neat cement grout. Where fill materials are used, which are other than cement grout or concrete, they shall be disinfected and free of foreign materials. When an abandoned will is filled with cement- grout or concrete, these materials shall be applied to the well- hole through a pipe, tremie, or bailer.

(10) Well Assessment.

(a) Step Drawdown Test.

Preliminary to the constant-rate test required below, it is recommended that a step-drawdown test (uniform increases in pumping rates over uniform time intervals with single drawdown measurements taken at the end of the intervals) be conducted to determine the maximum pumping rate for the desired intake setting.

(b) Constant-Rate Test.

A "constant-rate" yield and drawdown test shall:

(i) be performed on every production well after construction or subsequent treatment and prior to placement of the permanent pump,

(ii) have the test methods clearly indicated in the specifications,

(iii) have a test pump with sufficient capacity that when pumped against the maximum anticipated drawdown, it will be capable of pumping in excess of the desired design discharge rate,

(iv) provide for continuous pumping for at least 24 hours or until stabilized drawdown has continued for at least six hours when test pumped at a "constant-rate" equal to the desired design discharge rate,

(v) provide the following data:

(A) capacity vs. head characteristics for the test pump (manufacturer's pump curve),

(B) static water level (in feet to the nearest tenth, as measured from an identified datum; usually the top of casing),

(C) depth of test pump intake,

(D) time and date of starting and ending test(s),

(vi) For the "constant-rate" test provide the following at time intervals sufficient for at least ten essentially uniform intervals for each log cycle of the graphic evaluation required below:

(A) record the time since starting test (in minutes),

(B) record the actual pumping rate,

(C) record the pumping water level (in feet to the nearest tenth, as measured from the same datum used for the static water level),

(D) record the drawdown (pumping water level minus static water level in feet to the nearest tenth),

(E) provide graphic evaluation on semi-logarithmic graph paper by plotting the drawdown measurements on the arithmetic scale at locations corresponding to time since starting test on the logarithmic scale, and

(vii) Immediately after termination of the constant-rate test, and for a period of time until there are no changes in depth

to water level measurements for at least six hours, record the following at time intervals similar to those used during the constant-rate pump test:

(A) time since stopping pump test (in minutes),

(B) depth to water level (in feet to the nearest tenth, as measured from the same datum used for the pumping water level).

(11) Well Disinfection.

Every new, modified, or reconditioned well including pumping equipment shall be disinfected before being placed into service for drinking water use. These shall be disinfected according to AWWA Standard C654 published by the American Water Works Association as modified to incorporate the following as a minimum standard:

(i) the well shall be disinfected with a chlorine solution of sufficient volume and strength and so applied that a concentration of at least 50 parts per million is obtained in all parts of the well and comes in contact with equipment installed in the well. This solution shall remain in the well for a period of at least eight hours, and

(ii) a satisfactory bacteriologic water sample analysis shall be obtained prior to the use of water from the well in a public water system.

(12) Well Equipping.

(a) Naturally Flowing Wells.

Naturally flowing wells shall:

(i) have the discharge controlled by valves,

(ii) be provided with permanent casing and sealed by grout,

(iii) if erosion of the confining bed adjacent to the well appears likely, special protective construction may be required by the Division.

(b) Line Shaft Pumps.

Wells equipped with line shaft pumps shall:

(i) have the casing firmly connected to the pump structure or have the casing inserted into the recess extending at least 0.5 inches into the pump base,

(ii) have the pump foundation and base designed to prevent fluids from coming into contact with joints between the pump base and the casing,

(iii) be designed such that the intake of the well pump is at least ten feet below the maximum anticipated drawdown elevation,

(iv) avoid the use of oil lubrication for pumps with intake screens set at depths less than 400 feet (see R309-105-10(7) and/or R309-515-8(2)for additional requirements of lubricants).

(c) Submersible Pumps.

Where a submersible pump is used:

(i) The top of the casing shall be effectively sealed against the entrance of water under all conditions of vibration or movement of conductors or cables.

(ii) The electrical cable shall be firmly attached to the riser pipe at 20 foot intervals or less.

(iv) The intake of the well pump must be at least ten feet below the maximum anticipated drawdown elevation.

(d) Pitless Well Units and Adapters.

If the excavation surrounding the well casing allowing installation of the pitless unit compromises the surface seal the competency of the surface seal shall be restored. Torch cut holes in the well casing shall be to neat lines closely following the outline of the pitless adapter and completely filled with a competent weld with burrs and fins removed prior to the installation of the pitless unit and adapter.

Pitless well units and adapters shall:

(i) not be used unless the specific application has been approved by the Executive Secretary,

(ii) be used to make a conection to a water well casing that is made below the ground. A below the ground connection shall not be submerged in water during installation,

(iii) terminate at least 18 inches above final ground elevation or three feet above the highest known flood elevation whichever is greater,

(iv) pitless adapters or pitless units to be used shall contain a label or imprint indicating compliance with the Water Systems Council Pitless Adapter Standard (PAS-97),

(v) have suitable access to the interior of the casing in order to disinfect the well,

(vi) have a suitable sanitary seal or cover at the upper terminal of the casing that will prevent the entrance of any fluids or contamination, especially at the connection point of the electrical cables,

(vii) have suitable access so that measurements of static and pumped water levels in the well can be obtained,

(viii) allow at least one check valve within the well casing,

(ix) be furnished with a cover that is lockable or otherwise protected against vandalism or sabotage,

(x) be shop-fabricated from the point of connection with the well casing to the unit cap or cover,

(xi) be of watertight construction throughout,

(xii) be constructed of materials at least equivalent to and having wall thickness compatible to the casing,

(xiii) have field connection to the lateral discharge from the pitless unit of threaded, flanged or mechanical joint connection,

(xiv) be threaded or welded to the well casing. If the connection to the casing is by field weld, the shop assembled unit must be designed specifically for field welding to the casing. The only field welding permitted on the pitless unit will be that needed to connect a pitless unit to the casing, and

(xv) have an inside diameter as great as that of the well casing, up to and including casing diameters of 12 inches, to facilitate work and repair on the well, pump, or well screen.

(e) Well Discharge Piping.

The discharge piping shall:

(i) be designed so that the friction loss will be low,

(ii) have control valves and appurtenances located above the pump house floor when an above-ground discharge is provided,

(iii) be protected against the entrance of contamination,

(iv) be equipped with (in order of placement from the well head) a smooth nosed sampling tap, a check valve, a pressure gauge, a means of measuring flow and a shutoff valve,

(v) where a well pumps directly into a distribution system, be equipped with an air release vacuum relief valve located upstream from the check valve, with exhaust/relief piping terminating in a down-turned position at least six inches above the floor and covered with a No. 14 mesh corrosion resistant screen. An exception to this requirement will be allowed provided specific proposed well head valve and piping design includes provisions for pumping to waste all trapped air before water is introduced into the distribution system,

(vi) have all exposed piping valves and appurtenances protected against physical damage and freezing,

(vii) be properly anchored to prevent movement, and

(f) Water Level Measurement.

(i) Provisions shall be made to permit periodic measurement of water levels in the completed well.

(ii) Where permanent water level measuring equipment is installed it shall be made using corrosion resistant materials attached firmly to the drop pipe or pump column and installed in such a manner as to prevent entrance of foreign materials.

(g) Observation Wells.

Observation wells shall be:

(i) constructed in accordance with the requirements for permanent wells if they are to remain in service after completion of a water supply well, and

(ii) protected at the upper terminal to preclude entrance of foreign materials.

(h) Electrical Protection.

Sufficient electrical controls shall be placed on all pump motors to eliminate electrical problems due to phase shifts, surges, lightning, etc.

(13) Well House Construction.

The use of a well house is strongly recommended, particularly in installations utilizing above ground motors.

In addition to applicable provisions of R309-540, well pump houses shall conform to the following:

(a) Casing Projection Above Floor.

The permanent casing for all ground water wells shall project at least 12 inches above the pump house floor or concrete apron surface and at least 18 inches above the final ground surface. However, casings terminated in underground vaults may be permitted if the vault is provided with a drain to daylight sized to handle in excess of the well flow and surface runoff is directed away from the vault access.

(b) Floor Drain.

Where a well house is constructed the floor surface shall be at least six inches above the final ground elevation and shall be sloped to provide drainage. A "drain-to-daylight" shall be provided unless highly impractical.

(c) Earth Berm.

Sites subject to flooding shall be provided with an earth berm terminating at an elevation at least two feet above the highest known flood elevation or other suitable protection as determined by the Executive Secretary.

(d) Well Casing Termination at Flood Sites.

The top of the well casing at sites subject to flooding shall terminate at least 3 feet above the 100 year flood level or the highest known flood elevation, whichever is higher (refer to R309-515-6(6)(b)(vi)).

(e) Miscellaneous.

The well house shall be ventilated, heated and lighted in such a manner as to assure adequate protection of the equipment (refer to R309-540-5(2) (a) through (h)

(f) Fencing.

Where necessary to protect the quality of the well water the Executive Secretary may require that certain wells be fenced in a manner similar to fencing required around spring areas.

(g) Access.

An access shall be provided either through the well house roof or sidewalls in the event the pump must be pulled for replacement or servicing the well.

R309-515-7. Ground Water - Springs.

(1) General.

Springs vary greatly in their characteristics and they should be observed for some time prior to development to determine any flow and quality variations. Springs determined to be "under the direct influence of surface water" will have to be given "surface water treatment".

(2) Source Protection.

Public drinking water systems are responsible for protecting their spring sources from contamination. The selection of a spring should only be made after consideration of the requirements of R309-515-4. Springs must be located in an area which shall minimize threats from existing or potential sources of pollution. A Preliminary Evaluation Report on source protection issues is required by R309-600-13(2). If certain precautions are taken, sewer lines may be permitted within a public drinking water system's source protection zones at the discretion of the Executive Secretary. When sewer lines are permitted in protection zones both sewer lines and manholes shall be specially constructed as described in R309-515-6(4).

(3) Surface Water Influence.

Some springs yield water which has been filtered underground for years, other springs yield water which has been filtered underground only a matter of hours. Even with proper development, the untreated water from certain springs may exhibit turbidity and high coliform counts. This indicates that the spring water is not being sufficiently filtered in underground travel. If a spring is determined to be "under the direct influence of surface water", it shall be given "conventional surface water treatment" (refer to R309-505-6).

(4) Pre-construction Submittal

Before commencement of construction of spring development improvements the following information must be submitted to the Executive Secretary and approved in writing.

(a) Detailed plans and specifications covering the development work.

(b) A copy of an engineer's or geologist's statement indicating:

(i) the historical record (if available) of spring flow variation,

(ii) expected minimum flow and the time of year it will occur,

(iii) expected maximum flow and the time of year it will occur,

(iv) expected average flow,

(v) the behavior of the spring during drought conditions.

After evaluating this information, the Division will assign a "firm yield" for the spring which will be used in assessing the number of and type of connections which can be served by the spring (see "desired design discharge rate" in R309-110).

(c) A copy of documentation indicating the water system owner has a right to divert water for domestic or municipal purposes from the spring source.

(d) A Preliminary Evaluation Report on source protection issues as required by R309-600-13.

(e) A copy of the chemical analyses required by R309-515-4(5).

(f) An assessment of whether the spring is "under the direct influence of surface water" (refer to R309-505-7(1)(a).

(5) Information Required after Spring Development.

After development of a culinary spring, the following information shall be submitted:

(a) Proof of satisfactory bacteriologic quality.

(b) Information on the rate of flow developed from the spring.

(c) As-built plans of spring development.

(6) Operation Permit Required.

Water from the spring can be introduced into a public water system only after it has been approved for use, in writing, by the Executive Secretary (see R309-500-9).

(7) Spring Development.

The development of springs for drinking water purposes shall comply with the following requirements:

(a) The spring collection device, whether it be collection tile, perforated pipe, imported gravel, infiltration boxes or tunnels must be covered with a minimum of ten feet of relatively impervious soil cover. Such cover must extend a minimum of 15 feet in all horizontal directions from the spring collection device. Clean, inert, non-organic material shall be placed in the vicinity of the collection device(s).

(b) Where it is impossible to achieve the ten feet of relatively impervious soil cover, an acceptable alternate will be the use of an impermeable liner provided that:

(i) the liner has a minimum thickness of at least 10 mils,

(ii) all seams in the liner are folded or welded to prevent leakage,

(iii) the liner is certified as complying with ANSI/NSF Standard 61. This requirement is waived if certain that the drinking water will not contact the liner,

(iv) the liner is installed in such a manner as to assure its integrity. No stones, two inch or larger or sharp edged, shall be located within two inches of the liner,

(v) a minimum of two feet of relatively impervious soil

cover is placed over the impermeable liner,

(vi) the soil and liner cover are extended a minimum of 15 feet in all horizontal directions from the collection devices.

(c) Each spring collection area shall be provided with at least one collection box to permit spring inspection and testing.

(d) All junction boxes and collection boxes, must comply with R309-545 with respect to access openings, venting, and tank overflow. Lids for these spring boxes shall be gasketed and the box adequately vented.

(e) The spring collection area shall be surrounded by a fence located a distance of 50 feet (preferably 100 feet if conditions allow) from all collection devices on land at an elevation equal to or higher than the collection device, and a distance of 15 feet from all collection devices on land at an elevation lower than the collection device. The elevation datum to be used is the surface elevation at the point of collection. The fence shall be at least "stock tight" (see R309-110). In remote areas where no grazing or public access is possible, the fencing requirement may be waived by the Executive Secretary. In populated areas a six foot high chain link fence with three strands of barbed wire may be required.

(f) Within the fenced area all vegetation which has a deep root system shall be removed.

(g) A diversion channel, or berm, capable of diverting all anticipated surface water runoff away from the spring collection area shall be constructed immediately inside the fenced area.

(h) A permanent flow measuring device shall be installed. Flow measurement devices such as critical depth meters or weirs shall be properly housed and otherwise protected.

(i) The spring shall be developed as thoroughly as possible so as to minimize the possibility of excess spring water ponding within the collection area. Where the ponding of spring water is unavoidable, the excess shall be collected by shallow piping or french drain and be routed beyond and down grade of the fenced area required above, whether or not a fence is in place.

R309-515-8. Operation and Maintenance.

(1) Spring Collection Area Maintenance.

(a) Spring collection areas shall be periodically (preferably annually) cleared of deep rooted vegetation to prevent root growth from clogging collection lines. Frequent hand or mechanical clearing of spring collection areas and diversion channel is strongly recommended. It is advantageous to encourage the growth of grasses and other shallow rooted vegetation for erosion control and to inhibit the growth of more detrimental flora.

(b) No pesticide (e.g., herbicide) may be applied on a spring collection area without the prior written approval of the Executive Secretary. Such approval shall be given 1) only when acceptable pesticides are proposed; 2) when the pesticide product manufacturer certifies that no harmful substance will be imparted to the water; and 3) only when spring development construction meets the requirements of these rules.

(2) Pump Lubricants.

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has approved propylene glycol and certain types of mineral oil for occasional contact with or for addition to food products. These oils are commonly referred to as "food-grade mineral oils". All oil lubricated pumps shall utilize food grade mineral oil suitable for human consumption as determined by the Executive Secretary.

(3) Algicide Treatment.

No algicide shall be applied to a drinking water source unless specific approval is obtained from the Division. Such approval will be given only if the algicide is certified as meeting the requirements of ANSI/NSF Standard 60, Water Treatment Chemicals - Health Effects.

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R317. Environmental Quality, Water Quality.
R317-8. Utah Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (UPDES).
R317-8-1. General Provisions and Definitions.

1.1 COMPARABILITY WITH THE CWA. The UPDES rules promulgated pursuant to the Utah Water Quality Act are intended to be compatible with the Federal regulations adopted pursuant to CWA.

1.2 CONFLICTING PROVISIONS. The provisions of the UPDES rules are to be construed as being compatible with and complementary to each other. In the event that any of these rules are found by a court of competent jurisdiction to be contradictory, the more stringent provisions shall apply.

1.3 SEVERABILITY. In the event that any provision of these rules is found to be invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining UPDES rules shall not be affected or diminished thereby.

1.4 ADMINISTRATION OF THE UPDES PROGRAM. The Executive Secretary of the Utah Water Quality Board has responsibility for the administration of the UPDES program, including pretreatment. The responsibility for the program is delegated to the Executive Secretary in accordance with UCA Subsection 19-5-104(11) and UCA Subsection 19-5-107(2)(a). The Executive Secretary has the responsibility for issuance, denial, modification, revocation and enforcement of UPDES permits, including general permits, Federal facilities permits, and sludge permits; and approval and enforcement authority for the pretreatment program.

1.5 DEFINITIONS. The following terms have the meaning as set forth unless a different meaning clearly appears from the context or unless a different meaning is stated in a definition applicable to only a portion of these rules:

(1) "Administrator" means the Administrator of the United States Environmental Protection Agency, or an authorized representative.

(2) "Applicable standards and limitations" means all standards and limitations to which a discharge, a sewage sludge use or disposal practice, or a related activity is subject under Subsection 19-5-104(6) of the Utah Water Quality Act and regulations promulgated pursuant thereto, including but not limited to effluent limitations, water quality standards, standards of performance, toxic effluent standards or prohibitions, best management practices, pretreatment standards, and standards for sewage sludge use or disposal.

(3) "Application" means the forms approved by the Utah Water Quality Board, which are the same as the EPA standard NPDES forms, for applying for a UPDES permit, including any additions, revisions or modifications.

(4) "Average monthly discharge limit" means the highest allowable average of daily discharges over a calendar month, calculated as the sum of all daily discharge measured during a calendar month divided by the number of daily discharges measured during the month.

(5) "Average weekly discharge limit" means the highest allowable average of daily discharges over a calendar week, calculated as the sum of all daily discharges measured during a calendar week divided by the number of daily discharges measured during that week.

(6) "Best management practices (BMPs)" means schedules of activities, prohibitions of practices, maintenance procedures, and other management practices to prevent or reduce the pollution of waters of the state. BMPs also include treatment requirements, operating procedures, practices to control plant site runoff, spillage or leaks, sludge or waste disposal or drainage from raw material storage.

(7) "Class I sludge management facility" means any POTW required to have an approved pretreatment program under R317-8-8 and any other treatment works treating domestic sewage classified as a Class I sludge management facility by the Executive Secretary, because of the potential for its sludge use or disposal practices to adversely affect public health and the environment.

(8) "Continuous discharge" means a discharge which occurs without interruption throughout the operating hours of the facility, except for infrequent shutdowns for maintenance, process changes, or other similar activities.

(9) "CWA" means the Clean Water Act as subsequently amended (33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq.).

(10) "Daily discharge" means the discharge of a pollutant measured during a calendar day or any 24-hour period that reasonably represents the calendar day for purposes of sampling. For pollutants with limitations expressed in units of mass, the daily discharge is calculated as the total mass of the pollutant discharged over the day. For pollutants with limitations expressed in other units of measurement, the daily discharge is calculated as the average measurement of the pollutant over the day.

(11) "Direct discharge" means the discharge of a pollutant.

(12) "Discharge of a pollutant" means any addition of any pollutants to "waters of the State" from any "point source." This definition includes additions of pollutants into waters of the State from: surface runoff which is collected or channeled by man; discharges through pipes, sewers, or other conveyances owned by the State, a municipality, or other person which do not lead to a treatment works; and discharges through pipes, sewers, or other conveyances, leading into privately owned treatment works. This term does not include an addition of pollutants by any "indirect discharger."

(13) "Economic impact consideration" means the reasonable consideration given by the Executive Secretary to the economic impact of water pollution control on industry and agriculture; provided, however, that such consideration shall be consistent and in compliance with the CWA and EPA promulgated regulations.

(14) "Executive Secretary" means the Executive Secretary of the Utah Water Quality Board or its authorized representative.

(15) "Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR)" means EPA uniform national form or equivalent State form, including any subsequent additions, revisions or modifications, for the reporting of self-monitoring results by permittees.

(16) "Draft permit" means a document prepared under R317-8-6.3 indicating the Executive Secretary's preliminary decision to issue or deny, modify, revoke and reissue, terminate, or reissue a permit. A notice of intent to terminate a permit, and a notice of intent to deny a permit are types of draft permits. A denial of a request for modification, revocation and reissuance, or termination as provided in R317-8-5.6 is not a draft permit. A proposed permit prepared after the close of the public comment period is not a draft permit.

(17) "Effluent limitation" means any restriction imposed by the Executive Secretary on quantities, discharge rates, and concentrations of pollutants which are discharged from point sources into waters of the State.

(18) "Effluent limitations guidelines" means a regulation published by the Administrator under section 304(b) of CWA to adopt or revise effluent limitations.

(19) "Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)" means the United States Environmental Protection Agency.

(20) "Facility or activity" means any UPDES point source, or any other facility or activity, including land or appurtenances thereto, that is subject to regulation under the UPDES program.

(21) "General permit" means any UPDES permit authorizing a category of discharges within a geographical area, and issued under R317-8-2.5.

(22) "Hazardous substance" means any substance designated under 40 CFR Part 116.

(23) "Indirect discharge" means a nondomestic discharger

introducing pollutants to a publicly owned treatment works.

(24) "Interstate agency" means an agency of which Utah and one or more states is a member, established by or under an agreement or compact, or any other agency, of which Utah and one or more other states are members, having substantial powers or duties pertaining to the control of pollutants.

(25) "Major facility" means any UPDES facility or activity classified as such by the Executive Secretary in conjunction with the Regional Administrator.

(26) "Maximum daily discharge limitation" means the highest allowable daily discharge.

(27) "Municipality" means a city, town, district, county, or other public body created by or under the State law and having jurisdiction over disposal of sewage, industrial wastes, or other wastes. For purposes of these rules, an agency designated by the Governor under Section 208 of the CWA is also considered to be a municipality.

(28) "National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES)" means the national program for issuing, modifying, revoking and reissuing, terminating, monitoring and enforcing permits, and imposing and enforcing pretreatment requirements under Sections 307, 402, 318 and 405 of the CWA.

(29) "New discharger" means any building, structure, facility, or installation:

(a) From which there is or may be a "discharge of pollutants;"

(b) That did not commence the "discharge of pollutants" at a particular "site" prior to August 13, 1979;

(c) Which is not a "new source;" and

(d) Which has never received a finally effective UPDES permit for discharges at that "site."

This definition includes an "indirect discharger" which commenced discharging into waters of the state after August 13, 1979.

(30) "New source" means any building, structure, facility, or installation from which there is or may be a direct or indirect discharge of pollutants, the construction of which commenced;

(a) After promulgation of EPA's standards of performance under Section 306 of CWA which are applicable to such source, or

(b) After proposal of Federal standards of performance in accordance with Section 306 of CWA which are applicable to such source, but only if the Federal standards are promulgated in accordance with Section 306 within 120 days of their proposal.

(31) "Non-continuous or batch discharge" for a discharge to be considered a non-continuous or batch discharge the following must apply:

(a) Frequency of a non-continuous or batch discharge:

i. shall not occur more than once every three (3) weeks,

ii. shall not be more than once during the three (3) weeks and

iii. shall not exceed 24 hours;

(b) Shall not cause a slug load at the POTW.

(32) "Owner or operator" means the owner or operator of any facility or activity subject to regulation under the UPDES program.

(33) "Permit" means an authorization, license, or equivalent control document issued by the Executive Secretary to implement the requirements of the UPDES regulations. "Permit" includes a UPDES "general permit." The term does not include any document which has not yet been the subject of final agency action, such as a draft permit or a proposed permit.

(34) "Person" means any individual, corporation, partnership, association, company or body politic, including any agency or instrumentality of the United States government.

(35) "Point source" means any discernible, confined, and discrete conveyance, including but not limited to any pipe, ditch, channel, tunnel, conduit, well, discrete fissure, container, rolling stock, concentrated animal feeding operation, landfill leachate collection system, vessel or other floating craft, from which pollutants are or may be discharged. This term does not include agricultural storm-water runoff or return flows from irrigated agriculture.

(36) "Pollutant" means, for the purpose of these regulations, dredged spoil, solid waste, incinerator residue, filter backwash, sewage, garbage, sewage sludge, munitions, chemical wastes, biological materials, radioactive materials (except those regulated under the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (42 U.S.C. 2011 et seq.)), heat, wrecked or discarded equipment, rock, sand, cellar dirt and industrial, municipal, and agricultural waste discharged into water. It does not mean:

(a) Sewage from vessels; or

(b) Water, gas, or other material which is injected into a well to facilitate production of oil or gas, or water derived in association with oil and gas production and disposed of in a well, if the well used either to facilitate production or for disposal purposes is approved by authority of the State in which the well is located, and if the State determines that the injection or disposal will not result in the degradation of ground or surface water resources.

(37) "Pollution" means any man-made or man-induced alteration of the chemical, physical, biological, or radiological integrity of any waters of the State, unless such alteration is necessary for the public health and safety. Alterations which are not consistent with the requirements of the CWA and implementing regulations shall not be deemed to be alterations necessary for the public health and safety. A discharge not in accordance with Utah Water Quality Standards, stream classification, and UPDES permit requirements, including technology-based standards shall be deemed to be pollution.

(38) "Primary industry category" means any industry category listed in R317-8-3.11.

(39) "Privately owned treatment works" means any device or system which is used to treat wastes from any facility whose operator is not the operator of the treatment works and which is not a POTW.

(40) "Process wastewater" means any water which, during manufacturing or processing, comes into direct contact with or results from the production or use of any raw material, intermediate product, finished product, byproduct, or waste product.

(41) "Proposed permit" means a UPDES permit prepared after the close of the public comment period and, when applicable, any public hearing and adjudicative proceedings, which is sent to EPA for review before final issuance by the Executive Secretary. A proposed permit is not a draft permit.

(42) "Publicly-owned treatment works" (POTW) means any facility for the treatment of pollutants owned by the State, its political subdivisions, or other public entity. For the purposes of these regulations, POTW includes sewers, pipes or other conveyances conveying wastewater to a POTW providing treatment, treatment of pollutants includes recycling and reclamation, and pollutants refers to municipal sewage or industrial wastes of a liquid nature.

(43) "Recommencing discharger" means a source which resumes discharge after terminating operation.

(44) "Regional Administrator" means the Regional Administrator of the Region VIII office of the EPA or the authorized representative of the Regional Administrator.

(45) "Schedule of compliance" means a schedule of remedial measures included in a permit, including an enforceable sequence of interim requirements leading to compliance with the Utah Water Quality Act and rules promulgated pursuant thereto.

(46) "Secondary industry category" means any industry category which is not a primary industry category.

(47) "Septage" means the liquid and solid material pumped

from a septic tank, cesspool, or similar domestic sewage treatment system, or a holding tank when the system is cleaned or maintained.

(48) "Seven (7) consecutive day discharge limit" means the highest allowable average of daily discharges over a seven (7) consecutive day period.

(49) "Sewage from vessels" means human body wastes and the wastes from toilets and other receptacles intended to receive or retain body wastes that are discharged from vessels and regulated under Section 312 of CWA.

(50) "Sewage sludge" means any solid, semi-solid, or liquid residue removed during the treatment of municipal wastewater or domestic sewage. Sewage sludge includes, but is not limited to, solids removed during primary, secondary or advanced wastewater treatment, scum, septage, portable toilet dumpings, type III marine sanitation device pumpings, and sewage sludge products. Sewage sludge does not include grit or screenings, or ash generated during the incineration of sewage sludge.

(51) "Sewage sludge use or disposal practice" means the collection, storage, treatment, transportation, processing, monitoring, use, or disposal of sewage sludge.

(52) "Site" means the land or water area where any "facility or activity" is physically located or conducted, including adjacent land used in connection with the facility or activity.

(53) "Sludge-only facility" means any treatment works treating domestic sewage whose methods of sewage sludge use or disposal are subject to rules promulgated pursuant to Section 19-5-104 of the Utah Water Quality Act and which is required to obtain a permit under R317-8-2.1.

(54) "Standards for sewage sludge use or disposal" means the rules promulgated pursuant to Section 19-5-104 of the Utah Water Quality Act which govern minimum requirements for sludge quality, management practices, and monitoring and reporting applicable to sewage sludge or the use or disposal of sewage sludge by any person.

(55) "State/EPA Agreement" means an agreement between the State and the Regional Administrator which coordinates State and EPA activities, responsibilities and programs, including those under the CWA programs.

(56) "Thirty (30) consecutive day discharge limit" means the highest allowable average of daily discharges over a thirty (30) consecutive day period.

(57) "Toxic pollutant" means any pollutant listed as toxic in R317-8-7.6 or, in the case of sludge use or disposal practices, any pollutant identified as toxic in State adopted rules for the disposal of sewage sludge.

(58) "Treatment works treating domestic sewage" means a POTW or any other sewage sludge or waste water treatment devices or systems, regardless of ownership (including federal facilities), used in the storage, treatment, recycling, and reclamation of municipal or domestic sewage, including land dedicated for the disposal of sewage sludge. This definition does not include septic tanks or similar devices. For purposes of this definition, "domestic sewage" includes waste and waste water from humans or household operations that are discharged to or otherwise enter a treatment works.

(59) "Variance" means any mechanism or provision under the UPDES regulations which allows modification to or waiver of the generally applicable effluent limitation requirements or time deadlines.

(60) "Waters of the State" means all streams, lakes, ponds, marshes, watercourses, waterways, wells, springs, irrigation systems, drainage systems, and all other bodies or accumulations of water, surface and underground, natural or artificial, public or private, which are contained within, flow through, or border upon this State or any portion thereof, except that bodies of water confined to and retained within the limits of private property, and which do not develop into or constitute a nuisance, or a public health hazard, or a menace to fish or wildlife, shall not be considered to be "waters of the State." The exception for confined bodies of water does not apply to any waters which meet the definition of "waters of the United States" under 40 CFR 122.2. Waters are considered to be confined to and retained within the limits of private property only if there is no discharge or seepage to either surface water or groundwater. Waters of the State includes "wetlands" as defined in the Federal Clean Water Act.

(61) "Wetlands" means those areas that are inundated or saturated by surface or groundwater at a frequency and duration sufficient to support, and that under normal circumstance do support, a prevalence of vegetation typically adapted for life in saturated soil conditions. Wetlands generally include swamps, marshes, bogs, and similar areas.

(62) "Whole effluent toxicity" means the aggregate toxic effect of an effluent as measured directly by a toxicity test.

(63) "Utah Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (UPDES)" means the State-wide program for issuing, modifying, revoking and reissuing, terminating, monitoring and enforcing permits, and imposing and enforcing pretreatment requirements under the Utah Water Quality Act.

1.6 DEFINITIONS APPLICABLE TO STORM-WATER DISCHARGES.

(1) "Co-Permittee" means a permittee to a UPDES permit that is only responsible for permit conditions relating to the discharge for which it is operator.

(2) "Illicit discharge" means any discharge to a municipal separate storm sewer that is not composed entirely of storm water except discharges pursuant to a UPDES permit (other than the UPDES permit for discharges from the municipal separate storm sewer) and discharges resulting from fire fighting activities.

(3) "Incorporated place" means a city or town that is incorporated under the laws of Utah.

(4) "Large municipal separate storm sewer system" means all municipal separate storm sewers that are:

(a) Located in an incorporated place with a population of 250,000 or more as determined by the 1990 Decennial Census by the Bureau of Census; or

(b) Located in counties with unincorporated urbanized areas with a population of 250,000 or more according to the 1990 Decennial Census by the Bureau of Census, except municipal separate storm sewers that are located in the incorporated places, townships or towns within the County; or

(c) Owned or operated by a municipality other than those described in R317-8-1.6(4)(a) or (b) and that are designated by the Executive Secretary as part of a large or medium municipal separate storm sewer system. See R317-8-3.9(6)(a) for provisions regarding this definition.

(5) "Major municipal separate storm sewer outfall" (or "major outfall") means a municipal separate storm sewer outfall that discharges from a single pipe with an inside diameter of 36 inches or more or its equivalent (discharge from a single conveyance other than circular pipe which is associated with a drainage area of more than 50 acres); or for municipal separate storm sewers that receive storm water from lands zoned for industrial activity (based on comprehensive zoning plans or the equivalent), an outfall that discharges from a single pipe with an inside diameter of 12 inches or more or from its equivalent (discharge from other than a circular pipe associated with a drainage area of 2 acres or more).

(6) "Major outfall" means a major municipal separate storm sewer outfall.

(7) "Medium municipal separate storm sewer system" means all municipal separate storm sewers that are:

(a) Located in an incorporated place with a population of 100,000 or more but less than 250,000, as determined by the

1990 Decennial Census by the Bureau of Census;

(b) Located in counties with unincorporated urbanized areas with a population greater than 100,000 but less than 250,000 as determined by the 1990 Decennial Census by the Bureau of the Census; or

(c) Owned or operated by a municipality other than those described in R317-8-1.6(4)(a) and (b) and that are designated by the Executive Secretary as part of the large or medium municipal separate storm sewer system. See R317-8-3.9(6)(b) for provisions regarding this definition.

(8) "MS4" means a municipal separate storm sewer system.

(9) "Municipal separate storm sewer system" means all separate storm sewers that are defined as "large" or "medium" or "small" municipal separate storm sewer systems pursuant to paragraphs R317-8-1.6(4), (7), and (14) of this section, or designated under paragraph R317-8-3.9(1)(a)5 of this section.

(10) "Outfall" means a point source at the point where a municipal separate storm sewer discharges to waters of the State and does not include open conveyances connecting two municipal separate storm sewers, or pipes, tunnels or other conveyances which connect segments of the same stream or other waters of the State and are used to convey waters of the State.

(11) "Overburden" means any material of any nature, consolidated or unconsolidated, that overlies a mineral deposit, excluding topsoil or similar naturally occurring surface materials that are not disturbed by mining operations.

(12) "Runoff coefficient" means the fraction of total rainfall that will appear at a conveyance as runoff.

(13) "Significant materials" means, but is not limited to: raw materials; fuels; materials such as solvents, detergents, and plastic pellets; finished materials such as metallic products; raw materials used in food processing or production; hazardous substances designated under section 101(14) of CERCLA: any chemical the facility is required to report pursuant to section 313 of Title III of SARA: fertilizers; pesticides; and waste products such as ashes, slag and sludge that have the potential to be released with storm water discharges.

(14) "Small municipal separate storm sewer system" means all separate storm sewers that are:

(a) Owned or operated by the United States, State of Utah, city, town, county, district, association, or other public body (created by or pursuant to State law) having jurisdiction over disposal of sewage, industrial waste, storm water, or other wastes, including special districts under State law such as a sewer district, flood control district or drainage district, or similar entity, or a designated and approved management agency under section 208 of the CWA that discharges to waters of the State.

(b) Not defined as "large" or "medium" municipal separate storm sewer system pursuant to paragraphs R317-8-1.6(4) and (7) of this section, or designated under paragraph R317-8-3.9(1)(a)5 of this section.

(c) This term includes systems similar to separate storm sewer systems in municipalities, such as systems at military bases, large hospital or prison complexes, and highways and other thoroughfares. The term does not include separate storm sewers in very discrete areas, such as individual buildings.

(15) "Small MS4" means a small municipal separate storm sewer system.

(16) "Storm water" means storm water runoff, snow melt runoff, and surface runoff and drainage.

(17) "Storm water discharge associated with industrial activity" means the discharge from any conveyance which is directly related to manufacturing, processing or raw materials storage areas at an industrial plant. The term does not include discharges from facilities or activities excluded from the UPDES program. See R317-8-3.9(6)(c) and (d) for provisions applicable to this definition.

(18) "Uncontrolled sanitary landfill means a landfill or open dump, whether in operation or closed, that does not meet the requirements for runon or runoff controls established pursuant to subtitle D of the Solid Waste Disposal Act.

1.7 ABBREVIATIONS AND ACRONYMS. The following abbreviations and acronyms, as used throughout the UPDES regulations, shall have the meaning given below:

(1) "BAT" means best available technology economically achievable;

(2) "BCT" means best conventional pollutant control technology;

(3) "BMPs" means best management practices;

(4) "BOD" means biochemical oxygen demands;

(5) "BPT" means best practicable technology currently available;

(6) "CFR" means Code of Federal Regulations;

(7) "COD" means chemical oxygen demand;

(8) "CWA" means the Federal Clean Water Act;

(9) "DMR" means discharge monitoring report;

(10) "NPDES" means National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System;

(11) "POTW" means publicly owned treatment works;

(12) "SIC" means standard industrial classification;

(13) "TDS" means total dissolved solids;

(14) "TSS" means total suspended solids;

(15) "UPDES" means Utah Pollutant Discharge Elimination System;

(16) "UWQB" means the Utah Water Quality Board;

(17) "WET" means whole effluent toxicity.

1.8 UPGRADE AND RECLASSIFICATION. Upgrading or reclassification of waters of the State by the Utah Water Quality Board may be done periodically, but only using procedures and in a manner consistent with the requirements of State and Federal law.

1.9 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION. In addition to adjudicatory proceedings required under the State Administrative Procedures Act and proceedings otherwise outlined or referenced in these regulations, the Executive Secretary will investigate and provide written response to all citizen complaints. In addition, the Executive Secretary shall not oppose intervention in any civil or administrative proceeding by any citizen where permissive intervention may be authorized by statute, rule or regulation. The Executive Secretary will publish notice of and provide at least 30 days for public comment on any proposed settlement of any enforcement action.

1.10 INCORPORATION OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS BY REFERENCE. The State adopts the following Federal standards and procedures, effective as of December 8, 1999 unless otherwise noted, which are incorporated by reference:

(1) 40 CFR 129 (Toxic Effluent Standards) with the following exceptions:

(a) Substitute "UPDES" for all federal regulation references to "NPDES".

(b) Substitute "Executive Secretary" for all federal regulation references to "State Director".

(c) Substitute "R317-8-4.4, R317-8-6, and R317-8-7" for all federal regulation references to "40 CFR Parts 124 and 125".

(2) 40 CFR 133 (Secondary Treatment Regulation) with the following exceptions:

(a) 40 CFR 133.102 for which R317-1-3.2 is substituted.

(b) 40 CFR 133.105.

(c) Substitute "UPDES" or "Utah Pollutant Discharge Elimination System" for all federal regulation references for "NPDES" or "National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System", respectively.

(d) Substitute "Executive Secretary" for all federal regulation references to "State Director" in 40 CFR 133.103.

(3) 40 CFR 136 (Guidelines Establishing Test Procedures for the Analysis of Pollutants)

(4) 40 CFR 403.6 (National Pretreatment Standards and Categorical Standards), effective as of May 16, 2008, with the following exception:

(a) Substitute "Executive Secretary" for all federal regulation references to "Director".

(5) 40 CFR 403.7, effective as of May 16, 2008, (Removal Credits)

(6) 40 CFR 403.13, effective as of May 16, 2008, (Variances from Categorical Pretreatment Standards for Fundamentally Different Factors)

(7) 40 CFR Parts 405 through 411

(8) 40 CFR Part 412, effective as of February 12, 2003, with the following changes:

(a) Substitute "Executive Secretary" for all federal regulation references to "Director".

(b) Substitute "UPDES" for all federal regulation references to "NPDES".

(c) Substitute "Comprehensive Nutrient Management Plan" for all federal regulation references to "nutrient management plan".

(d) In 412.37(b), replace the reference 122.21(i)(1) with R317-8-3.6(2); and 122.42(e)(1)(ix) with R317-8-4.1(15)(d)1.i.

(e) In 412.37(c), replace the reference 122.42(e)(1)(ix) with R317-8-4.1(15)(d)1.i.

(9) 40 CFR Parts 413 through 471

(10) 40 CFR 503 (Standards for the Use or Disposal of Sewage Sludge), effective as of the date that responsibility for implementation of the federal Sludge Management Program is delegated to the State except as provided in R317-1-6.4, with the following changes:

(a) Substitute "Executive Secretary" for all federal regulation references to "Director".

(11) 40 CFR 122.30

(12) 40 CFR 122.32

(a) In 122.32(a)(2), replace the reference 122.26(f) with R317-8-3.9(5).

(13) 40 CFR 122.33

(a) In 122.33(b)(2)(i), replace the reference 122.21(f) with R317-8-3.1(6).

(b) In 122.33(b)(2)(i), replace the reference 122.21(f)(7) with R317-8-3.1(6)(g).

(c) In 122.33(b)(2)(ii), replace the reference 122.26(d)(1) and (2) with R317-8-3.9(3)(a) and (b)

(d) In 122.33(b)(3), replace the reference 122.26 with R317-8.

(e) In 122.33(b)(3), replace the reference 122.26(d)(1)(iii) and (iv); and (d)(2)(iv) with R317-8-3.9(3)(a)3 and 4; and (3)(b)4.

(14) 40 CFR 122.34

(a) In 122.34(a), replace the reference 122.26(d) with R317-8-3.9(3).

(b) In 122.34(b)(3)(i), replace the reference 122.26(d)(2) with R317-8-3.9(3)(b).

(c) In 122.34(b)(4)(i), replace the reference 122.26(b)(15)(i) with R317-8-3.9(6)(e)1.

(d) In 122.34(f), replace the references 122.41 through 122.49 with R317-8-4.1 through R317-8-5.4.

(e) In 122.34(g)(2), replace the reference 122.7 with R317-8-3.3.

(15) 40 CFR 122.35

(a) In 122.35, replace the reference 122 with R317-8.

(16) 40 CFR 122.36

(17) For the references R317-8-1.10(12), (13), (14), (15), and (16), make the following substitutions:

(a) "The Executive Secretary of the Water Quality Board" for the "NPDES permitting authority"

(b) "UPDES" for "NPDES"

(18) 40 CFR 122.23, effective as of February 12, 2003, with the following changes:

(a) Substitute "Executive Secretary" for all federal regulation references to "Director".

(b) Substitute "UPDES" for all federal regulation references to "NPDES".

(c) In 122.23(d)(3), replace the reference 122.21 with R317-8-3.1; and 122.28 with R317-8-2.5.

(d) In 122.23(e), replace the reference 122.42 (e)(1)(vi)-(ix) with R317-8-4.1(15)(d)1.f.-i.

(e) In 122.23(f)(2), replace the reference 122.21(f) with R317-8-3.1(6); and 122.21(i)(1)(i)-(ix) with R317-8-3.6(2)(a)-(i).

(f) In 122.23(h), replace the reference 122.21(g) with R317-8-3.1(4).

R317-8-2. Scope and Applicability.

2.1 APPLICABILITY OF THE UPDES REQUIREMENTS. The UPDES program requires permits for the discharge of pollutants from any point source into waters of the State. The program also applies to owners or operators of any treatment works treating domestic sewage, whether or not the treatment works is otherwise required to obtain a UPDES permit in accordance with R317-8-8. Prior to promulgation of State rules for sewage sludge use and disposal, the Executive Secretary shall impose interim conditions in permits issued for publicly owned treatment works or take such other measures as the Executive Secretary deems appropriate to protect public health and the environment from any adverse affects which may occur from toxic pollutants in sewage sludge.

(1) Specific inclusions. The following are examples of specific categories of point sources requiring UPDES permits for discharges. These terms are further defined in R317-8-3.5 through R317-8-8.10.

(a) Concentrated animal feeding operations;

(b) Concentrated aquatic animal production facilities;

(c) Discharges into aquaculture projects;

(d) Storm water discharges; and

(e) Silvicultural point sources.

(2) Specific exclusions. The following discharges do not require UPDES permits:

(a) Any discharge of sewage from vessels, effluent from properly functioning marine engines, laundry, shower, and galley sink wastes, or any other discharge incidental to the normal operation of a vessel. This exclusion does not apply to rubbish, trash, garbage, or other such materials discharged overboard; nor to other discharges when the vessel is operating in a capacity other than as a means of transportation such as when used as an energy or mining facility, a storage facility or a seafood processing facility, or when secured to storage facility or a seafood processing facility, or when secured in waters of the state for the purpose of mineral or oil exploration or development.

(b) Discharges of dredged or fill material into waters of the State which are regulated under Section 404 of CWA.

(c) The introduction of sewage, industrial wastes, or other pollutants into publicly owned treatment works by indirect dischargers. Plans or agreements to switch to this method of disposal in the future do not relieve dischargers of the obligation to have and comply with permits until all discharges of pollutants to waters of the State are eliminated. This exclusion does not apply to the introduction of pollutants to privately owned treatment works or to other discharges through pipes, sewers, or other conveyances owned by the State, a municipality, or other party not leading to treatment works.

(d) Any discharge in compliance with the instructions of an on-scene coordinator pursuant to 40 CFR 300 (The National Oil and Hazardous Substances Pollution Contingency Plan) or 33 CFR 153.10(e) (Pollution by Oil and Hazardous Substances).

(e) Any introduction of pollutants from non-point source agricultural and silvicultural activities, including storm water runoff from orchards, cultivated crops, pastures, rangelands, and forest lands, but not discharges from concentrated animal feeding operations as defined in 40 CFR 122.23, discharges from concentrated aquatic animal production facilities as defined in R317-8-3.7, discharges to aquaculture projects as defined in R317-8-3.8, and discharges from silvicultural point sources as defined in R317-8-3.10.

(f) Return flows from irrigated agriculture.

(g) Discharges into a privately owned treatment works, except as the Executive Secretary may otherwise require under R317-8-4.2(12).

(h) Authorizations by permit or by rule which are prepared to assure that underground injection will not endanger drinking water supplies, and which are issued under the state's Underground Injection Control program; and underground injections and disposal wells which are permitted by the Utah Water Quality Board pursuant to Part VII of the Utah Wastewater Disposal Regulations or the Board of Oil, Gas and Mining, Class II.

(i) Discharges which are not regulated by the U.S. EPA under Section 402 of the Clean Water Act.

(3) Requirements for permits on a case-by-case basis.

(a) Various sections of R317-8 allow the Executive Secretary to determine, on a case-by-case basis, that certain concentrated animal feeding operations, concentrated aquatic animal production facilities, separate storm sewers and certain other facilities covered by general permits that do not generally require an individual permit may be required to obtain an individual permit because of their contributions to water pollution.

(b) Whenever the Executive Secretary decides that an individual permit is required as specified in R317-8-2.1(3)(a), the Executive Secretary shall notify the discharger in writing of that decision and the reasons for it, and shall send an application form with the notice. The discharger shall apply for a permit within 60 days of receipt of notice, unless permission for a later date is granted by the Executive Secretary. The question whether the determination was proper will remain open for consideration during the public comment period and in any subsequent adjudicative proceeding.

(c) Prior to a case-by-case determination that an individual permit is required for a storm water discharge, the Executive Secretary may require the discharger to submit a permit application or other information regarding the discharge. In requiring such information, the Executive Secretary shall notify the discharger in writing and shall send an application form with the notice. The discharger must apply for a permit within 60 days of notice, unless permission for a later date is granted by the Executive Secretary. The question whether the determination was proper will remain open for consideration during the public comment period and in any subsequent adjudicative proceeding.

2.2 PROHIBITIONS. No permit may be issued by the Executive Secretary:

(1) When the conditions of the permit do not provide for compliance with the applicable requirements of the Utah Water Quality Act, as amended, or rules promulgated pursuant thereto;

(2) When the Regional Administrator has objected to issuance of the permit in writing under the procedures specified in 40 CFR 123.44;

(3) When the imposition of conditions cannot ensure compliance with the applicable water quality requirements of Utah and all affected states;

(4) When, in the judgment of the Secretary of the U.S. Army, acting through the Chief of Engineers, anchorage and navigation in or on any of the waters of the United States would be substantially impaired by the discharge;

(5) For the discharge of any radiological, chemical, or biological warfare agent or high-level radioactive waste;

(6) For any discharge inconsistent with a plan or plan amendment approved under Section 208(b) of CWA.

(7) To a new source or a new discharger, if the discharge from its construction or operation will cause or contribute to the violation of water quality standards. The owner or operator of a new source or new discharger proposing to discharge into a water segment which does not meet Utah water quality standards or is not expected to meet those standards even after the application of the effluent limitations required by the UPDES regulations and for which the Executive Secretary has performed a wasteload allocation for the pollutants to be discharged, must demonstrate, before the close of the public comment period, that:

(a) There are sufficient remaining wasteload allocations to allow for the discharge; and

(b) The existing dischargers into the segment are subject to schedules of compliance designed to bring the segment into compliance with Utah Water Quality Standards. (See R317-2.)

2.3 VARIANCE REQUESTS BY NON-POTW'S. A discharger which is not a publicly owned treatment works (POTW) may request a variance from otherwise applicable effluent limitations under any of the following statutory or regulatory provisions within the time period specified in this section:

(1) Fundamentally different factors.

(a) A request for a variance based on the presence of "fundamentally different factors" from those on which the effluent limitations guideline was based shall be filed as follows:

1. For a request for a variance from best practicable control technology currently available (BPT) by the close of the public comment period under R317-8-6.5.

2. For a request for a variance from best available technology economically achievable (BAT) and/or best conventional pollutant control technology (BCT) by no later than:

a. July 3, 1989, for a request on an effluent limitation guideline promulgated before February 4, 1987, to the extent July 3, 1989 is not later than that provided under previously promulgated regulations: or

b. 180 days after the date on which an effluent limitation guideline is published in the Federal Register for a request based on an effluent limitation guideline promulgated on or after February 4, 1987.

3. Requests should be filed with the Executive Secretary. A request filed with EPA shall be considered to be a request filed under the UPDES program.

(b) The request shall explain how the requirements of the applicable regulatory and statutory criteria have been met.

(2) Non-conventional pollutants. A request for a variance from the BAT requirements for CWA section 301(b)(2)(F) pollutants (commonly called "non-conventional" pollutants) pursuant to Section 301(c) of CWA because of the economic capability of the owner or operator, or pursuant to section 301(g) of the CWA (provided, however, that 301(g) variance may only be requested for ammonia; chlorine; color; iron; total phenols (4AAP) (when determined by the Executive Secretary to be a pollutant covered by section 301(b)(2)(F)) and any other pollutant listed by the Administrator under Section 301((g)(4) of the CWA) must be filed as follows:

(a) For those requests for a variance from an effluent limitation based upon an effluent limitation guideline by:

1. Filing an initial request with the Executive Secretary stating the name of the discharger, the permit number, the outfall number(s), the applicable effluent guideline, and the nature of the modification being requested. This request must have been filed not later than:

a. September 25, 1978, for a pollutant which is controlled by a BAT effluent limitation guideline promulgated before December 27, 1977: or

b. 270 days after promulgation of an applicable effluent limitation guideline for guidelines promulgated after December 27, 1977: and

2. Submitting a completed request no later than the close of the public comment period under R317-8-6.5 demonstrating that the requirements of R317-8-6.8 and the applicable requirements of R317-8-8.8 have been met. Notwithstanding this provision, the complete application for a request shall be filed 180 days before the Executive Secretary must make a decision (unless the Executive Secretary establishes a shorter or longer period). For those requests for a variance from effluent limitations not based on effluent limitation guidelines, the request need only comply with R317-8-2.3(2)(a)(2) and need not be preceded by an initial request under R317-8-2.3(2)(a)(2).

3. Requests should be filed with the Executive Secretary. A request filed with EPA shall be considered to be a request filed under the UPDES program.

(3) Delay in construction of POTW. An extension of the Federal statutory deadlines based on delay in completion of a POTW into which the source is to discharge must have been requested on or before June 26, 1978 or 180 days after the relevant POTW requested an extension under R317-8-2.7, whichever is later, but in no event may this date have been later than January 30, 1988. The request shall explain how the requirements of 40 CFR Part 125, Subpart J have been met.

(4) Innovative technology. An extension from the Federal statutory deadline for best available technology, or for best conventional pollutant control technology, based on the use of innovative technology may be requested no later than the close of the public comment period under Section R317-8-6.5 for the discharger's initial permit requiring compliance with best available technology or best conventional pollutant control technology. The request shall demonstrate that the requirements of Section R317-8-6.8 and 8-5.6 have been met.

(5) Thermal discharges. A variance for the thermal component of any discharge must be filed with a timely application for a permit under R317-8-3 except that if thermal effluent limitations are established by EPA or are based on water quality standards the request for a variance may be filed by the close of the public comment period under R317-8-6.5.

(6) Water Quality Related Effluent Limitations. A modification of requirements for achieving water quality-related effluent limitations may be requested no later than the close of the public comment period under R317-8-6.5 on the permit from which the modification is sought.

2.4 EXPEDITED VARIANCE PROCEDURES AND TIME EXTENSIONS. Notwithstanding the time requirements in R317-8-2.3, the Executive Secretary may notify a permit applicant before a draft permit is issued under R317-8-6.3 that the draft permit will likely contain limitations which are eligible for variances.

(1) In the notice the Executive Secretary may require that the applicant, as a condition of consideration of any potential variance request, submit a request explaining how the requirements of R317-8-7 applicable to the variance have been met. The Executive Secretary may require the submittal within a specified reasonable time after receipt of the notice. The notice may be sent before the permit application has been submitted. The draft or final permit may contain the alternative limitations which may become effective upon final grant of the variance.

(2) A discharger who cannot file a timely complete request required under R317-8-2.3(2) may request an extension. The extension may be granted or denied at the discretion of the Executive Secretary. Extensions will be no more than six months in duration.

2.5 GENERAL PERMITS

(1) Coverage. The Executive Secretary may issue a general permit in accordance with the following:

(a) Area. The general permit will be written to cover a category of discharges or sludge use or disposal practices or facilities described in the permit under paragraph (b) of this subsection, except those covered by individual permits, within a geographic area. The area will correspond to existing geographic or political boundaries, such as:

1. Designated planning areas under Sections 208 and 303 of CWA;

2. City, county, or state political boundaries;

3. State highway systems;

4. Standard metropolitan statistical areas as defined by the U.S. Office of Management and Budget;

5. Urbanized areas as designated by the U.S. Bureau of the Census, consistent with the U.S. Office of Management and Budget;

6. Any other appropriate division or combination of boundaries as determined by the Executive Secretary.

(b) Sources. The general permit will be written to regulate, within the area described in R317-8-2.5(a), either;

1. Storm water point sources; or

2. A category of point sources other than storm water point sources, or a category of treatment works, treating domestic sewage, if the sources or treatment works treating domestic sewage all:

a. Involve the same or substantially similar types of operations;

b. Discharge the same types of wastes or engage in the same types of sludge use or disposal practices.

c. Require the same effluent limitations, operating conditions, or standards for sludge use or disposal;

d. Require the same or similar monitoring; and

e. In the opinion of the Executive Secretary, are more appropriately controlled under a general permit than under individual permits.

(2) Administration.

(a) General permits may be issued, modified, revoked and reissued, or terminated in accordance with applicable requirements of R317-8-6.

(b) Authorization to discharge, or authorization to engage in sludge use and disposal practices.

1. Except as provided in paragraphs (2)(b)5. and (2)(b)6. of this section, discharges (or treatment works treating domestic sewage) seeking coverage under a general permit shall submit to the Executive Secretary a written notice of intent to be covered by the general permit. A discharger (or treatment works treating domestic sewage) who fails to submit a notice of intent in accordance with the terms of the permit is not authorized to discharge, (or in the case of sludge use or disposal practice), under the terms of the general permit unless the general permit, in accordance with paragraph (2)(b)5. of this section, contains a provision that a notice of intent is not required or the Executive Secretary notifies a discharger (or treatment works treating domestic sewage) that it is covered by a general permit in accordance with paragraph (2)(b)6. of this section. A complete and timely, notice of intent (NOI), to be covered in accordance with general permit requirements, fulfills the requirements for permit applications for purposes of R-317-8-3.

2. The contents of the notice of intent shall be specified in the general permit and shall require the submission of information necessary for adequate program implementation, including at a minimum, the legal name and address of the owner or operator, the facility name and address, type of facility of discharges, and the receiving stream(s). General permits for storm water discharges associated with industrial activity from inactive mining, inactive oil and gas operations, or inactive landfill occurring on Federal lands where an operator cannot be

identified may contain alternative notice of intent requirements. Notices of intent for coverage under a general permit for concentrated animal feeding operations must include the information specified in R317-8-3.6(2), including a topographic map. All notices of intent shall be signed in accordance with R317-8-3.3.

3. General permits shall specify the deadlines for submitting notices of intent to be covered and the date(s) when a discharger is authorized to discharge under the permit;

4. General permits shall specify whether a discharger (or treatment works treating domestic sewage) that has submitted a complete and timely notice of intent to be covered in accordance with the general permit and that is eligible for coverage under the permit, is authorized to discharge, (or in the case of a sludge disposal permit, to engage in a sludge use for disposal practice), in accordance with the permit either upon receipt of the notice of intent by the Executive Secretary, after a waiting period specified in the general permit, on a date specified in the general permit, or upon receipt of notification of inclusion by the Executive Secretary. Coverage may be terminated or revoked in accordance with paragraph (2)(c) of this section.

5. Discharges other than discharges from publicly owned treatment works, combined sewer overflows, municipal separate storm sewer systems, primary industrial facilities, and storm water discharges associated with industrial activity, may, at the discretion of the Executive Secretary, be authorized to discharge under a general permit without submitting a notice of intent where the Executive Secretary finds that a notice of intent requirement would be inappropriate. In making such a finding, the Executive Secretary shall consider: the type of discharge; the potential for toxic and conventional pollutants in the discharges; the expected volume of the discharges covered by the permit; and the estimated number of discharges to be covered by the permit. The Executive Secretary shall provide in the public notice of the general permit the reasons for not requiring a notice of intent.

6. The Executive Secretary may notify a discharger (or treatment works treating domestic sewage) that it is covered by a general permit, even if the discharger (or treatment works treating domestic sewage) has not submitted a notice of intent to be covered. A discharger (or treatment works treating domestic sewage) so notified may request an individual permit under paragraph R317-8-2.5(2)(c).

(c) Requiring an individual permit.

1. The Executive Secretary may require any person authorized by a general permit to apply for and obtain an individual UPDES permit. Any interested person may petition the Executive Secretary to take action under R317-8-2.4. Cases where an individual UPDES permit may be required include the following:

a. The discharge(s) is a significant contributor of pollutants. In making this determination, the Executive Secretary may consider the following factors:

i. The location of the discharge with respect to waters of the State;

ii. The size of the discharge;

iii. The quantity and nature of the pollutants discharged to waters of the State; and

iv. Other relevant factors;

b. The discharger or treatment works treating domestic sewage is not in compliance with the conditions of the general UPDES permit;

c. A change has occurred in the availability of demonstrated technology or practices for the control or abatement of pollutants applicable to the point source or treatment works treating domestic sewage;

d. Effluent limitation guidelines are promulgated for point sources covered by the general UPDES permit;

e. A Utah Water Quality Management Plan containing requirements applicable to such point sources is approved;

f. Standards for sewage sludge use or disposal have been promulgated for the sludge use and disposal practices covered by the general UPDES permit; or

2. Any owner or operator authorized by a general permit may request to be excluded from the coverage of the general permit by applying for an individual permit. The owner or operator shall submit an application under R317-8-3.1 to the Executive Secretary with reasons supporting the request. The request shall be submitted no later than ninety (90) days after the notice by the Executive Secretary in accordance with R317-8-6.5. If the reasons cited by the owner or operator are adequate to support the request, the Executive Secretary may issue an individual permit.

3. When an individual UPDES permit is issued to an owner or operator otherwise subject to a general UPDES permit, the applicability of the general permit to the individual UPDES permittee is automatically terminated on the effective date of the individual permit.

4. A source excluded from a general permit solely because he already has an individual permit may request that the individual permit be revoked. The permittee shall then request to be covered by the general permit. Upon revocation of the individual permit, the general permit shall apply to the source.

2.6 DISPOSAL OF POLLUTANTS INTO WELLS, INTO POTWS OR BY LAND APPLICATION.

(1) The Executive Secretary may issue UPDES permits to control the disposal of pollutants into wells when necessary to protect the public health and welfare, and to prevent the pollution of ground and surface waters.

(2) When part of a discharger's process wastewater is not being discharged into waters of the State (including groundwater) because it is disposed of into a well, into a POTW, or by land application, thereby reducing the flow or level of pollutants being discharged into waters of the State, applicable effluent standards and limitations for the discharge in a UPDES permit shall be adjusted to reflect the reduced raw waste resulting from such disposal. Effluent limitations and standards in the permit shall be calculated by one of the following methods:

(a) If none of the waste from a particular process is discharged into waters of the State and effluent limitations guidelines provide separate allocation for wastes from that process, all allocations for the process shall be eliminated from calculation of permit effluent limitations or standards.

(b) In all cases other than those described in R317-8-2.6(2)(a), effluent limitations shall be adjusted by multiplying the effluent limitation derived by applying effluent limitation guidelines to the total waste stream by the amount of wastewater to be treated and discharged into waters of the State and dividing the result by the total wastewater flow. Effluent limitations and standards so calculated may be further adjusted under R317-8-7.3 to make them more or less stringent if discharges to wells, publicly owned treatment works, or by land application change the character or treatability of the pollutants being discharged to receiving waters.

This method may be algebraically expressed as: $P=E \times N/T$

Where P is the permit effluent limitation, E is the limitation derived by applying effluent guidelines to the total waste stream, N is the wastewater flow to be treated and discharged to waters of the State and T is the total wastewater flow.

(3) R317-8-2.6(2) shall not apply to the extent that promulgated effluent limitations guidelines:

(a) Control concentrations of pollutants discharged but not mass; or

(b) Specify a different specific technique for adjusting effluent limitations to account for well injection, land application, or disposal into POTWs.

(4) R317-8-2.6(2) does not alter a dischargers obligation to meet any more stringent requirements established under R317-8-4.

2.7 VARIANCE REQUESTS BY POTWS. A discharger which is a publicly owned treatment works (POTW) may request a variance from otherwise applicable effluent limitations under the following provision:

(1) Water Quality Based Effluent Limitation. A permit modification of the requirements for achieving water quality based effluent limitations shall be requested no later than the close of the public comment period under R317-8-6.5 on the permit for which the modification is sought.

(2) Delay in construction. An extension of a Federal statutory deadline based on delay in the construction of the POTW must have been requested on or before August 3, 1987.

2.8 DECISION ON VARIANCES

(1) The Executive Secretary may deny or forward to the Administrator (or his delegate) with a written concurrence, a completed request for:

(a) Extensions under CWA section 301(i) based on delay in completion of a publicly owned treatment works;

(b) After consultation with the Regional Administrator, extensions based on the use of innovative technology; or

(c) Variances under R317-8-2.3(4) for thermal pollution.

(2) The Executive Secretary may deny or forward to the Regional Administrator with a written concurrence, or submit to EPA without recommendation a completed request for:

(a) A variance based on the presence of "fundamentally different factors" from those on which an effluent limitations guideline was based;

(b) A variance based on the economic capability of the applicant;

(c) A variance based upon certain water quality factors (See CWA section 301(g)); or

(d) A variance based on water quality related effluent limitations.

(e) Except for information required by R317-8-3.1(4)(c) which shall be retained for a period of at least five years from the date the application is signed, applicants shall keep records of all data used to complete permit applications and any supplemental information for a period of at least three years from the date the application is signed.

R317-8-3. Application Requirements.

3.1 APPLYING FOR A UPDES PERMIT

(1) Application requirements

(a) Any person who is required to have a permit, including new applicants and permittees with expiring permits shall complete, sign, and submit an application to the Executive Secretary as described in this regulation and R317-8-2 Scope and Applicability. On the date of UPDES program approval by EPA, all persons permitted or authorized under NPDES shall be deemed to hold a UPDES permit, including those expired permits which EPA has continued in effect according to 40 CFR 122.6. For the purpose of this section the Executive Secretary will accept the information required under R317-8-3.5 for existing facilities, which has been submitted to EPA as part of a NPDES renewal. The applicant may be requested to update any information which is not current.

(b) Any person who (1) discharges or proposes to discharge pollutants and (2) owns or operates a sludge-only facility and does not have an effective permit, shall submit a complete application to the Executive Secretary in accordance with this section and R317-8-6. A complete application shall include a BMP program, if necessary, under R317-8-4.2(10). The following are exceptions to the application requirements:

1. Persons covered by general permits under R317-8-4.2(10);

2. Discharges excluded under R317-8-2.1(2);

3. Users of a privately owned treatment works unless the Executive Secretary requires otherwise under R317-8-4.2(12).

(2) Time to apply. Any person proposing a new discharge shall submit an application at least 180 days before the date on which the discharge is to commence, unless permission for a later date has been granted by the Executive Secretary. Facilities proposing a new discharge of storm water associated with industrial activity shall submit an application 180 days before that facility commences industrial activity which may result in a discharge of storm water associated with that industrial activity. Facilities described under R317-8-3.9(6)11 shall submit applications at least 90 days before the date on which construction is to commence. Different submittal dates may be required under the terms of applicable general permits. Persons proposing a new discharge are encouraged to submit their applications well in advance of the 90 or 180 day requirements to avoid delay. See also R317-8-3.2 and R317-8-3.9(2)1.g. and 2.

(3) Who Applies. When a facility or activity is owned by one (1) person but is operated by another person, it is the operator's duty to obtain a permit.

(4) Duty to reapply.

(a) Any POTW with a currently effective permit shall submit a new application at least 180 days before the expiration date of the existing permit, unless permission for a later date has been granted by the Executive Secretary. The Executive Secretary shall not grant permission for applications to be submitted later than the expiration date of the existing permit.

(b) All other permittees with currently effective permits shall submit a new application 180 days before the existing permit expires, except that:

1. The Executive Secretary may grant permission to submit an application later than the deadline for submission otherwise applicable, but no later than the permit expiration date; and

2. The Executive Secretary may grant permission to submit the information required by R317-8-3.5(7), (9) and (10) after the permit expiration date.

(c) All applicants for permits, other than POTWs, new sources, and sludge-only facilities must complete EPA Forms 1 and either 2B or 2C or 2F or equivalent State forms as directed by the Executive Secretary to apply under R317-8-3. Forms may be obtained from the Executive Secretary. In addition to any other applicable requirements in this section, all POTWs and other treatment works treating domestic sewage, including sludge-only facilities, must submit with their applications the information listed at 40 CFR 501.15(a)(2) within the time frames established in R317-8-3.1(7)(a) and (b).

(d) Continuation of expiring permits. The conditions of an expired permit continue in force until the effective date of a new permit if:

1. The permittee has submitted a timely application under subsection (2) of this section which is a complete application for a new permit; and

2. The Executive Secretary, through no fault of the permittee, does not issue a new permit with an effective date under R317-8-6.11 on or before the expiration date of the previous permit.

3. Effect Permits continued under this paragraph remain fully effective and enforceable until the effective date of a new permit.

4. Enforcement. When the permittee is not in compliance with the conditions of the expiring or expired permit the Executive Secretary may choose to do any or all of the following:

a. Initiate enforcement action based upon the permit which has been continued;

b. Issue a notice of intent to deny the new permit under R317-8-6.3(2);

c. Issue a new permit under R317-8-6 with appropriate conditions; or

d. Take other actions authorized by the UPDES regulations.

(5) Completeness. The Executive Secretary will not issue a UPDES permit before receiving a complete application for a permit except for UPDES General Permits. A permit application is complete when the Executive Secretary receives an application form with any supplemental information which is completed to his or her satisfaction.

(6) Information requirements. All applicants for UPDES permits shall provide the following information to the Executive Secretary, using the application form provided by the Executive Secretary.

(a) The activities being conducted which require the applicant to obtain UPDES permit.

(b) Name, mailing address, and location of the facility for which the application is submitted.

(c) From one (1) to four (4) SIC codes which best reflect the principal products or services provided by the facility.

(d) The operators name, address, telephone number, ownership status, and status as to Federal, State, private, public, or other entity.

(e) Whether the facility is located on Indian lands.

(f) A listing of all other relevant environmental permits, or construction approvals issued by the Executive Secretary or other state or federal permits.

(g) A topographic map, or other map if a topographic map is unavailable, extending one (1) mile beyond the property boundaries of the source, depicting the facility and each of its intake and discharge structures, each of its hazardous waste treatment, storage, or disposal facilities; each well where fluids from the facility are injected underground and those wells, springs, other surface water bodies, and drinking water wells listed in public records or otherwise known to the applicant in the map area.

(h) A brief description of the nature of the business.

(i) Additional information may also be required of new sources, new dischargers and major facilities to determine any significant adverse environmental effects of the discharge pursuant to new source regulations promulgated by the Executive Secretary.

(7) Permits Under Section 19-5-107 of the Utah Water Quality Act.

(a) POTWs with currently effective UPDES permits shall submit the application information required by R317-8-3.1(4)(c) with the next application submitted in accordance with R317-8-3.1(4) of this section or within 120 days after promulgation of a standard for sewage sludge use or disposal applicable to the POTW's sludge use or disposal practice(s), whichever occurs first.

(b) Any other existing treatment works treating domestic sewage not covered in R317-8-3.1(7)(a) shall submit an application to the Executive Secretary within 120 days after promulgation of a standard for sewage sludge use or disposal applicable to its sludge use or disposal practice(s) or upon request of the Executive Secretary prior to the promulgation of an applicable standard for sewage sludge use or disposal if the Executive Secretary determines that a permit is necessary to protect to public health and the environment from any potential adverse effects that may occur from toxic pollutants in sewage sludge.

(c) Any treatment works treating domestic sewage that commences operations after promulgation of an applicable standard for sewage sludge use or disposal shall submit an application to the Executive Secretary at least 180 days prior to the date proposed for commencing operations.

(8) Recordkeeping. Except for information required by R317-8-3.1(7)(c) which shall be retained for a period of at least five years from the date the application is signed or longer as required by the Executive Secretary, applicants shall keep records of all data used to complete permit applications and any supplemental information submitted under this regulation for a period of at least three (3) years from the date the application is signed.

(9) Service of process. Every applicant and permittee shall provide the Executive Secretary an address for receipt of any legal paper for service of process. The last address provided to the Executive Secretary pursuant to this provision shall be the address at which the Executive Secretary may tender any legal notice, including but not limited to service of process in connection with any enforcement action. Service, whether by bond or by mail, shall be complete upon tender of the notice, process or order and shall not be deemed incomplete because of refusal to accept or if the addressee is not found.

(10) Application Forms. The State will use EPA-developed NPDES application forms or State equivalents in administering the UPDES program.

3.2 APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR NEW SOURCES AND NEW DISCHARGES. New manufacturing, commercial, mining and silvicultural dischargers applying for UPDES permits (except for new discharges of facilities subject to the requirements of R317-8-3.5 or new discharges of storm water associated with industrial activity which are subject to R317-8-3.9(2)(a) except as provided by R317-8-3.9(2)(a)2, shall provide the following information to the Executive Secretary, using application forms provided by the Executive Secretary:

(1) Expected outfall location. The latitude and longitude to the nearest 15 seconds and the name of the receiving water.

(2) Discharge dates. The expected date of commencement of discharge.

(3) Flows, Sources of Pollution and Treatment Technologies

(a) Expected treatment of wastewater. Description of the treatment that the wastewater will receive, along with all operations contributing wastewater to the effluent, average flow contributed by each operation, and the ultimate disposal of any solid or liquid wastes not discharged.

(b) Line drawing. A line drawing of the water flow through the facility with a water balance as described in R317-8-3.5(2).

(c) Intermittent Flows. If any of the expected discharges will be intermittent or seasonal, a description of the frequency, duration and maximum daily flow rate of each discharge occurrence (except for storm water runoff, spillage, or leaks).

(4) Production. If a new source performance standard or an effluent limitation guideline applies to the applicant and is expressed in terms of production (or other measure of operation), a reasonable measure of the applicant's expected actual production reported in the units used in the applicable effluent guideline or new source performance standard as required by R317-8-4.3(2)(b) for each of the first three years. Alternative estimates may also be submitted if production is likely to vary.

(5) Effluent Characteristics. The requirements in R317-8-3.5(7) that an applicant must provide estimates of certain pollutants expected to be present do not apply to pollutants present in a discharge solely as a result of their presence in intake water; however, an applicant must report such pollutants as present. Net credits may be provided for the presence of pollutants in intake water if the requirements of R317-8-4.3(7) are met. All levels (except for discharge flow, temperature and pH) must be estimated as concentration and as total mass.

(a) Each applicant must report estimated daily maximum, daily average and source of information for each outfall for the following pollutants or parameters. The Executive Secretary may waive the reporting requirements for any of these pollutants

and parameters if the applicant submits a request for such a waiver before or with his application which demonstrates that information adequate to support issuance of the permit can be obtained through less stringent reporting requirements.

1. Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD).
2. Chemical Oxygen Demand (COD).
3. Total Organic Carbon (TOC).
4. Total Suspended Solids (TSS).
5. Flow.
6. Ammonia (as N).
7. Temperature (winter and summer).
8. pH.

(b) Each applicant must report estimated daily maximum, daily average, and source of information for each outfall for the following pollutants, if the applicant knows or has reason to believe they will be present or if they are limited by an effluent limitation guideline or new source performance standard either directly or indirectly through limitations on an indicator pollutant: all pollutants in Table IV, R317-8-3.12(4) (certain conventional and nonconventional pollutants).

(c) Each applicant must report estimated daily maximum, daily average and source of information for the following pollutants if he knows or has reason to believe that they will be present in the discharges from any outfall:

1. The pollutants listed in Table III, R317-8-3.12(3) (the toxic metals, in the discharge from any outfall: Total cyanide, and total phenols);

2. The organic toxic pollutants in R317-8-3.12(2) (except bis (chloromethyl) ether, dichlorofluoromethane and trichlorofluoromethane). This requirement is waived for applicants with expected gross sales of less than $100,000 per year for the next three years, and for coal mines with expected average production of less than 100,000 tons of coal per year.

(d) The applicant is required to report that 2,3,7,8 Tetrachlorodibenzo-P-Dioxin (TCDD) may be discharged if he uses or manufactures one of the following compounds, or if he knows or has reason to believe that TCDD will or may be present in an effluent:

1. 2,4,5-trichlorophenoxy acetic acid (2,4,5-T) (CAS #93-76-5);

2. 2-(2,4,5-trichlorophenoxy) propanic acid (Silvex, 2,4,5-TP) (CAS #93-72-1);

3. 2-(2,4,5-trichlorophenoxy) ethyl 2,2-dichloropropionate (Erbon) (CAS #136-25-4);)

4. 0,0-dimethyl 0-(2,4,5-trichlorophenyl) phosphorothioate (Ronnel) (CAS #299-84-3);

5. 2,4,5-trichlorophenol (TCP) (CAS #95-95-4); or

6. Hexachlorophene (HCP) (CAS #70-80-4);

(e) Each applicant must report any pollutants listed in Table V, R317-8-3.12(5) (certain hazardous substances) if he believes they will be present in any outfall (no quantitative estimates are required unless they are already available).

(f) No later than two years after the commencement of discharge from the proposed facility, the applicant is required to complete and submit Items V and VI of NPDES application Form 2c (see R317-8-3.5). However, the applicant need not complete those portions of Item V requiring tests which he has already performed and reported under the discharge monitoring requirements of his UPDES permit.

(6) Engineering Report. Each applicant must report the existence of any technical evaluation concerning his wastewater treatment, along with the name and location of similar plants of which he has knowledge.

(7) Other information. Any optional information the permittee wishes to have considered.

(8) Certification. Signature of certifying official under R317-8-3.4.

3.3 CONFIDENTIALITY OF INFORMATION

(1) Any information submitted to the Executive Secretary pursuant to the UPDES regulations may be claimed as confidential by the person submitting the information. Any such claim must be asserted at the time of submission in the manner prescribed on the application form or instructions or, in the case of other submissions, by stamping the words "confidential business information" on each page containing such information. If no claim is made at the time of submission, the Executive Secretary may make the information available to the public without further notice. If a claim is asserted, it will be treated according to the standards of 40 CFR Part 2.

(2) Information which includes effluent data and records required by UPDES application forms provided by the Executive Secretary under R317-8-3.1 may not be claimed as confidential.

(3) Information contained in UPDES permits may not be claimed as confidential.

3.4 SIGNATORIES TO PERMIT APPLICATIONS AND REPORTS

(1) Applications. All permit applications shall be signed as follows:

(a) For a corporation: by a responsible corporate officer. For the purpose of this section, a responsible corporate officer means: (i) A president, secretary, treasurer, or vice-president of the corporation in charge of a principal business function, or any other person who performs similar policy or decision-making functions for the corporation, or (ii) the manager of one or more manufacturing, production, or operating facilities employing more than 250 persons or having gross annual sales or expenditures exceeding $25 million (in second-quarter 1980 dollars), if authority to sign documents has been assigned or delegated to the manager in accordance with corporate procedures.

(b) For a partnership or sole proprietorship: by a general partner or the proprietor, respectively; or

(c) For a municipality, State, Federal, or other public agency: By either a principal executive officer or ranking elected official. For purposes of this section, a principal executive officer of a Federal agency includes: (i) The chief executive officer having responsibility for the overall operations of a principal geographic unit of the agency.

(2) Reports. All reports required by permits and other information requested by the Executive Secretary under R317-8-3.9(3) shall be signed by a person described in subsection (1), or by a duly authorized representative of that person. A person is a duly authorized representative only if:

(a) The authorization is made in writing by a person described in subsection (1) of this section:

(b) The authorization specifies either an individual or a position having responsibility for the overall operation of the regulated facility or activity such as the position of plant manager, operator of a well or a well field, superintendent, position of equivalent responsibility, or an individual or position having overall responsibility for environmental matters for the company; and

(c) The written authorization is submitted to the Executive Secretary.

(3) Changes to authorization. If an authorization under subsection (2) of this section is no longer accurate because a different individual or position has responsibility for the overall operation of the facility, a new authorization satisfying the requirements of subsection (2) of this section must be submitted to the Executive Secretary prior to or together with any reports, information, or applications to be signed by an authorized representative.

(4) Certification. Any person signing a document under this section shall make the following certification:

"I certify under penalty of law that this document and all attachments were prepared under my direction or supervision in accordance with a system designed to assure that qualified

personnel properly gather and evaluate the information submitted. Based on my inquiry of the person or persons who manage the system, or those persons directly responsible for gathering the information, the information submitted is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations."

3.5 APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR EXISTING MANUFACTURING, COMMERCIAL, MINING, AND SILVICULTURAL DISCHARGERS

Existing manufacturing, commercial, mining, and silvicultural dischargers applying for UPDES permits shall provide the following information to the Executive Secretary, using application forms provided by the Executive Secretary:

(1) Outfall location. The latitude and longitude to the nearest fifteen (15) seconds and the name of the receiving water.

(2) Line drawing. A line drawing of the water flow through the facility with a water balance, showing operations contributing wastewater to the effluent and treatment units. Similar processes, operations, or production areas may be indicated as a single unit, labeled to correspond to the more detailed identification under R317-8-3.5. The water balance shall show approximate average flows at intake and discharge points and between units, including treatment units. If a water balance cannot be determined, the applicant may provide a pictorial description of the nature and amount of any sources of water and any collection and treatment measures.

(3) Average flows and treatment. A narrative identification of each type of process, operation, or production area which contributes wastewater to the effluent for each outfall, including process wastewater, cooling water; and storm water runoff; the average flow which each process contributes; and a description of the treatment the wastewater receives, including the ultimate disposal of any solid or fluid wastes other than by discharge. Processes, operations or production areas may be described in general terms, (for example, "dye-making reactor," "distillation tower.") For a privately owned treatment works, this information shall include the identity of each user of the treatment works. The average flow of point sources composed of storm water may be estimated. The basis for the rainfall event and the method of estimation must be indicated.

(4) Intermittent flows. If any of the discharges described in R317-8-3.5(3) are intermittent or seasonal, a description of the frequency, duration and flow rate of each discharge occurrence, except for storm water runoff, spillage, or leaks.

(5) Maximum production levels. If an EPA effluent guideline applies to the applicant and is expressed in terms of production or other measure of operation, a reasonable measure of the applicant's actual production reported in the units used in the applicable effluent guideline. The reported measure shall reflect the actual production of the facility as required by R317-8-4.3(2).

(6) Improvements. If the applicant is subject to any present requirements or compliance schedules for construction, upgrading or operation of waste treatment equipment, an identification of the abatement requirement, a description of the abatement project, and a listing of the required and projected final compliance dates.

(7) Effluent characteristics. Information on the discharge of pollutants specified in this subsection shall be provided, except information on storm water discharges which is to be provided as specified in R317-8-3.9. When quantitative data for a pollutant are required, the applicant must collect a sample of effluent and analyze it for the pollutant in accordance with analytical methods approved under 40 CFR 136. When no particular analytical method is required the applicant may use any suitable method but must provide a description of the method. The Executive Secretary may allow the applicant to test only one outfall and report that the quantitative data also applies to the substantially identical outfalls. The requirements in paragraphs (c) and (d) of this subsection that an applicant shall provide quantitative data for certain pollutants known or believed to be present do not apply to pollutants present in a discharge solely as the result of their presence in intake water; however, an applicant shall report such pollutants as present. Grab samples must be used for pH, temperature, cyanide, total phenols, residual chlorine,, oil and grease, and or E. coli. For all other pollutants, twenty-four (24)-hour composite samples must be used. However, a minimum of one grab sample may be taken for effluents from holding ponds or other impoundments with a retention period greater than 24 hours. In addition, the Executive Secretary may waive composite sampling for any outfall for which the applicant demonstrates that the use of an automatic sampler is infeasible and that the minimum of four (4) grab samples will be a representative sample of the effluent being discharged. For storm water discharges, all samples shall be collected from the discharge resulting from a storm event that is greater than 0.1 inch and at least 72 hours from the previously measurable (greater than 0.1 inch rainfall) storm event. Where feasible, the variance in the duration of the event and the total rainfall of the event should not exceed 50 percent from the average or median rainfall event in that area. For all applicants, a flow-weighted composite shall be taken for either the entire discharge or for the first three hours of the discharge. The flow-weighted composite sample for a storm water discharge may be taken with a continuous sampler or as a combination of a minimum of three sample aliquots taken in each hour of discharge for the entire discharge or for the first three hours of the discharge, with each aliquot being separated by a minimum period of fifteen minutes (applicants submitting permit applications for storm water discharges under R317-8-3.9(3) may collect flow weighted composite samples using different protocols with respect to the time duration between the collection of sample aliquots, subject to the approval of the Executive Secretary). However, a minimum of one grab sample may be taken for storm water discharges from holding ponds or other impoundments with a retention period greater than 24 hours. For a flow-weighted composite sample, only one analysis of the composite of aliquots is required. For storm water discharge samples taken from discharges associated with industrial activities, quantitative data must be reported for the grab sample taken during the first thirty minutes (or as soon thereafter as practicable) of the discharge for all pollutants specified in R317-8-3.9(2)(a). For all storm water permit applicants taking flow-weighted composites, quantitative data must be reported for all pollutants specified in R317-8-3.9 except pH, temperature, cyanide, total phenols, residual chlorine, oil and grease, or E. coli, and fecal streptococcus. The Executive Secretary may allow or establish appropriate site-specific sampling procedures or requirements, including sampling locations, the season in which the sampling takes place, the minimum duration between the previous measurable storm event and the storm event sampled, the minimum or maximum level of precipitation required for an appropriate storm event, the form of precipitation sampled (snow melt or rainfall), protocols for collecting samples under 40 CFR 136, and additional time for submitting data on a case-by-case basis. An applicant is expected to know or have reason to believe that a pollutant is present in an effluent based on an evaluation of the expected use, production, or storage of the pollutant, or on any previous analyses for the pollutant.

(a) Every applicant shall report quantitative data for every outfall for the following pollutants:

1. Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD)
2. Chemical Oxygen Demand
3. Total Organic Carbon
4. Total Suspended Solids

5. Ammonia (as N)
6. Temperature (both winter and summer)
7. pH

(b) The Executive Secretary may waive the reporting requirements for one or more of the pollutants listed in R317-8-3.5(7)(a) if the applicant has demonstrated that the waiver is appropriate because information adequate to support issuance of a permit can be obtained with less stringent requirements.

(c) Each applicant with processes in one or more primary industry category, listed in R317-8-3.11 of this regulation, and contributing to a discharge, shall report quantitative data for the following pollutants in each outfall containing process wastewater:

1. The organic toxic pollutants in the fractions designated in Table 1 of R317-8-3.12 for the applicant's industrial category or categories unless the applicant qualifies as a small business under R317-8-3.5(8). Table II of R317-8-3.12 of this part lists the organic toxic pollutants in each fraction. The fractions result from the sample preparation required by the analytical procedure which uses gas chromatography/mass spectrometry. A determination that an applicant falls within a particular industrial category for the purposes of selecting fractions for testing is not conclusive as to the applicant's inclusion in that category for any other purposes.

2. The pollutants listed in Table III of R317-8-3.12 (the toxic metals, cyanide, and total phenols).

(d) 1. Each applicant must indicate whether it knows or has reason to believe that any of the pollutants in Table IV of R317-8-3.12 (certain conventional and nonconventional pollutants) is discharged from each outfall. If an applicable effluent limitations guideline either directly limits the pollutant or, by its express terms, indirectly limits the pollutant through limitations on an indicator, the applicant must report quantitative data. For every pollutant discharged which is not so limited in an effluent limitations guideline, the applicant must either report quantitative data or briefly describe the reasons the pollutant is expected to be discharged.

2. Each applicant must indicate whether it knows or has reason to believe that any of the pollutants listed in Table II or Table III of R317-8-3.12 (the toxic pollutants and total phenols) for which quantitative data are not otherwise required under paragraph (b) of this section, is discharged from each outfall. For every pollutant expected to be discharged in concentrations of 10 ppb or greater the applicant must report quantitative data. For acrolein, acrylonitrile, 2.4 dinitrophenol, and 2-methyl-4,6 dinitrophenol, where any of these four pollutants are expected to be discharged in concentrations of 100 ppb or greater, the applicant must report quantitative data. For every pollutant expected to be discharged in concentrations less than 10 ppb, or in the case of acrolein, acrylonitrile, 2.4 dinitrophenol, and 2-methyl-4,6 dinitrophenol, in concentration less than 100 ppb, the applicant must either submit quantitative data or briefly describe the reasons the pollutant is expected to be discharged. An applicant qualifying as a small business under R317-8-3.5(8) is not required to analyze for pollutants listed in Table II of R317-8-3.12 (the organic toxic pollutants).

(e) Each applicant shall indicate whether it knows or has reason to believe that any of the pollutants in R317-8-3.12(5) of this regulation, certain hazardous substances and asbestos are discharged from each outfall. For every pollutant expected to be discharged, the applicant shall briefly describe the reasons the pollutant is expected to be discharged, and report any quantitative data for the pollutant.

(f) Each applicant shall report qualitative data, generated using a screening procedure not calibrated with analytical standards, for 2,3,7,8-tetrachlorodibenzo-p-dioxin(TCDD) if it:

1. Uses or manufactures 2,4,5-trichlorophenoxy acetic acid (2,4,5-T); 2-(2,4,5-trichlorophenoxy) propanoic acid (Silvex, 2,4,5-TP); 2-(2.4.5-trichlorophenoxy) ethyl 2,2-dichloropropionate (Erbon); O,O-dimethyl O-(2,4,5-trichlorophenyl) phosphorothioate (Ronnel); 2,4,5-trichlorophenol (TCP); or hexachlorophene (HCP); or

2. Knows or has reason to believe that TCDD is or may be present in an effluent.

(8) Small business exemption. An applicant which qualifies as a small business under one of the following criteria is exempt from the requirements in R317-8-3.5(7)(c) and (d) to submit quantitative data for the pollutants listed in R317-8-3.12(2), organic toxic pollutants:

(a) For coal mines, a probable total annual production of less than 100,000 tons per year.

(b) For all other applicants, gross total annual sales averaging less than $100,000 per year, in second quarter 1980 dollars.

(9) Used or manufactured toxics. The application shall include a listing of any toxic pollutant which the applicant currently uses or manufactures as an intermediate or final product or byproduct. The Executive Secretary may waive or modify this requirement for any applicant if the applicant demonstrates that it would be unduly burdensome to identify each toxic pollutant and the Executive Secretary has adequate information to issue the permit.

(10) Biological toxicity tests. The applicant shall identify any biological toxicity tests which it knows or has reason to believe have been made within the last three (3) years on any of the applicant's discharges or on a receiving water in relation to a discharge.

(11) Contract analyses. If a contract laboratory or consulting firm performed any of the analyses required by R317-8-3.5(7), the identity of each laboratory or firm and the analyses performed shall be included in the application.

(12) Additional information. In addition to the information reported on the application form, applicants shall provide to the Executive Secretary, upon request, other information as the Executive Secretary may reasonably be required to assess the discharges of the facility and to determine whether to issue a UPDES permit. The additional information may include additional quantitative data and bioassays to assess the relative toxicity of discharges to aquatic life and requirements to determine the cause of the toxicity.

3.6 CONCENTRATED ANIMAL FEEDING OPERATIONS

(1) Permit required. All concentrated animal feeding operations have a duty to seek coverage under a UPDES permit, as described in 40 CFR 122.23(d).

(2) Application requirements for new and existing concentrated animal feeding operations. New and existing concentrated animal feeding operations (defined in 40 CFR 122.23) shall provide the following information to the Executive Secretary, using the application form provided by the Executive Secretary:

(a) The name of the owner or operator;

(b) The facility location and mailing addresses;

(c) Latitude and longitude of the production area (entrance to production area);

(d) A topographic map of the geographic area in which the CAFO is located showing the specific location of the production area;

(e) Specific information about the number and type of animals, whether in open confinement or housed under roof (beef cattle, broilers, layers, swine weighing 55 pounds or more, swine weighing less than 55 pounds, mature dairy cows, dairy heifers, veal calves, sheep and lambs, horses, ducks, turkeys, other);

(f) The type of containment and storage (anaerobic lagoon, roofed storage shed, storage ponds, underfloor pits, above ground storage tanks, below ground storage tanks, concrete pad, impervious soil pad, other) and total capacity for manure, litter,

and process wastewater storage(tons/gallons);

(g) The total number of acres under control of the applicant available for land application of manure, litter, or process wastewater;

(h) Estimated amounts of manure, litter, and process wastewater generated per year (tons/gallons);

(i) Estimated amounts of manure, litter and process wastewater transferred to other persons per year (tons/gallons); and

(j) For CAFOs that seek permit coverage after December 31, 2006, certification that a Comprehensive Nutrient Management Plan (CNMP) has been completed and will be implemented upon the date of permit coverage.

(3) Technical standards for nutrient management. UPDES permits issued to concentrated animal feeding operations shall contain technical standards for nutrient management as outlined in 40 CFR 412.4. The technical standards for nutrient management shall conform with the standards contained in the Utah Natural Resources Conservation Service Conservation Practice Standard Code 590 Nutrient Management.

3.7 CONCENTRATED AQUATIC ANIMAL PRODUCTION FACILITIES

(1) Permit required. Concentrated aquatic animal production facilities, as defined in this section, are point sources subject to the UPDES permit program.

(2) Definitions. "Concentrated aquatic animal production facility" means a hatchery, fish farm, or other facility which meets the criteria in R317-8-3.7(5) or which the Executive Secretary designates under R317-8-3.7(3).

(3) Case-by-Case designation of concentrated aquatic animal production facilities.

(a) The Executive Secretary may designate any warm or cold water aquatic animal production facility as a concentrated aquatic animal production facility upon determining that it is a significant contributor of pollution to the waters of the State. In making this designation the Executive Secretary will consider the following factors:

1. The location and quality of the receiving waters of the State;

2. The holding, feeding, and production capacities of the facility;

3. The quantity and nature of the pollutants reaching waters of the State; and

4. Other relevant factors.

(b) A permit application will not be required from a concentrated aquatic animal production facility designated under this section until the Executive Secretary or authorized representative has conducted an on-site inspection of the facility and has determined that the facility could and should be regulated under the UPDES permit program.

(4) Information required. New and existing concentrated aquatic animal production facilities shall provide the following information to the Executive Secretary using the application form provided:

(a) The maximum daily and average monthly flow from each outfall.

(b) The number of ponds, raceways, and similar structures.

(c) The name of the receiving water and the source of intake water.

(d) For each species of aquatic animals, the total yearly and maximum harvestable weight.

(e) The calendar month of maximum feeding and the total mass of food fed during that month.

(5) Criteria for determining a concentrated aquatic animal production facility. A hatchery, fish farm, or other facility is a concentrated aquatic animal production facility for purposes of this regulation if it contains, grows, or holds aquatic animals in either of the following categories:

(a) Cold water aquatic animals. Cold water fish species or other cold water aquatic animals in ponds, raceways, or other similar structures which discharge at least thirty (30) days per year but does not include:

1. Facilities which produce less than 9,090 harvest weight kilograms (approximately 20,000 pounds) of aquatic animals per year; and

2. Facilities which feed less than 2,272 kilograms (approximately 5,000 pounds) of food during the calendar month of maximum feeding.

3. Cold water aquatic animals include, but are not limited to the Salmonidae family of fish.

(b) Warm water aquatic animals. Warm water fish species or other warm water aquatic animals in ponds, raceways, or other similar structures which discharge at least thirty (30) days per year, but does not include:

1. Closed ponds which discharge only during periods of excess runoff; or

2. Facilities which produce less than 45,454 harvest weight kilograms (approximately 100,000) pounds) of aquatic animals per year.

3. "Warm water aquatic animals" include, but are not limited to, the Ameiuride, Centrachidae and Cyprinidae families of fish.

3.8 AQUACULTURE PROJECTS

(1) Permit required. Discharges into aquaculture projects, as defined in this section, are subject to the UPDES permit program.

(2) Definitions.

(a) "Aquaculture project" means a defined managed water area which uses discharges of pollutants into that designated area for the maintenance or production of harvestable freshwater plants and animals.

(b) "Designated project areas" means the portions of the waters of the State within which the permittee or permit applicant plans to confine the cultivated species, using a method or plan of operation, including, but not limited to, physical confinement, which on the basis of reliable scientific evidence, is expected to ensure that specific individual organisms comprising an aquaculture crop will enjoy increased growth attributable to the discharge of pollutants, and be harvested within a defined geographic area.

3.9 STORM WATER DISCHARGES

(1) Permit requirement.

(a) Prior to October 1, 1992, a permit shall not be required for a discharge composed entirely of storm water, except for:

1. A discharge with respect to which a permit has been issued prior to February 4, 1987;

2. A discharge associated with industrial activity;

3. A discharge from a large municipal separate storm sewer system;

4. A discharge from a medium municipal separate storm sewer system;

5. A discharge which the Executive Secretary determines contributes to a violation of water quality standard or is a significant contributor of pollutants to waters of the State. This designation may include a discharge from any conveyance or system of conveyances used for collecting and conveying storm water runoff or a system of discharges from municipal separate storm sewers, except for those discharges from conveyances which do not require a permit under this section or agricultural storm water runoff which is exempted from the definition of point source. The Executive Secretary may designate discharges from municipal separate storm sewers on a system-wide or jurisdiction-wide basis. In making this determination the Executive Secretary may consider the following factors:

a. The location of the discharge with respect to waters of the State;

b. The size of the discharge;

c. The quantity and nature of the pollutants discharged to

waters of the State; and

d. Other relevant factors.

(b) The Executive Secretary may not require a permit for discharges of storm water runoff from mining operations or oil and gas exploration, production, processing, or treatment operations or transmission facilities, composed entirely of flows which are from conveyances or systems of conveyances (including but not limited to pipes, conduits, ditches, and channels) used for collecting and conveying precipitation runoff and which are not contaminated by contact with or do not come into contact with any overburden, raw material, intermediate products, finished product, by product, or waste products located on the site of such operations.

(c) Large and medium municipal separate storm sewer systems.

1. Permits must be obtained for all discharges from large and medium municipal separate storm sewer systems.

2. The Executive Secretary may either issue one system-wide permit covering all discharges from municipal separate storm sewers within a large or medium municipal storm sewer system or issue distinct permits for appropriate categories of discharges within a large or medium municipal separate storm sewer system including, but not limited to: all discharges owned or operated by the same municipality; located within the same jurisdiction; all discharges within a system that discharge to the same watershed; discharges within a system that are similar in nature; or individual discharges from municipal separate storm sewers within the system.

3. The operator of a discharge from a municipal separate storm sewer which is part of a large or medium municipal separate storm sewer system must either:

a. Participate in a permit application (to be a permittee or a co-permittee) with one or more other operators of discharges from the large or medium municipal storm sewer system which covers all, or a portion of all, discharges from the municipal separate storm sewer system;

b. Submit a distinct permit application which only covers discharges from the municipal separate storm sewers for which the operator is responsible; or

4. A regional authority may be responsible for submitting a permit application under the following guidelines:

i. The regional authority together with co-applicants shall have authority over a storm water management program that is in existence, or shall be in existence at the time part 1 of the application is due;

ii. The permit applicant or co-applicants shall establish their ability to make a timely submission of part 1 and part 2 of the municipal application;

iii. Each of the operators of municipal separate storm sewers within the systems described in R317-8-1.6(4)(a),(b) and (c) or R317-8-1.6(7)(a),(b), and (c), that are under the purview of the designated regional authority, shall comply with the application requirements of R317-8-3.9(3).

5. One permit application may be submitted for all or a portion of all municipal separate storm sewers within adjacent or interconnected large or medium municipal separate storm sewer systems. The Executive Secretary may issue one system-wide permit covering all, or a portion of all municipal separate storm sewers in adjacent or interconnected large or medium municipal separate storm sewer systems.

6. Permits for all or a portion of all discharges from large or medium municipal separate storm sewer systems that are issued on a system-wide, jurisdiction-wide, watershed or other basis may specify different conditions relating to different discharges covered by the permit, including different management programs for different drainage areas which contribute storm water to the system.

7. Co-permittees need only comply with permit conditions relating to discharges from the municipal separate storm sewers for which they are operators.

(d) Discharges through large and medium municipal separate storm sewer systems. In addition to meeting the requirements of R317-8-3.9(2), an operator of a storm water discharge associated with industrial activity which discharges through a large or medium municipal separate storm sewer system shall submit, to the operator of the municipal separate storm sewer system receiving the discharge no later than May 15, 1991, or 180 days prior to commencing such discharge: the name of the facility; a contact person and phone number; the location of the discharge; a description, including Standard Industrial Classification, which best reflects the principal products or services provided by each facility; and any existing UPDES permit number.

(e) Other municipal separate storm sewers. The Executive Secretary may issue permits for municipal separate storm sewers that are designated under R317-8-3.9(1)(a)(5) on a system-wide basis, jurisdiction-wide basis, watershed basis or other appropriate basis, or may issue permits for individual discharges.

(f) Non-municipal separate storm sewers. For storm water discharges associated with industrial activity from point sources which discharge through a non-municipal or non-publicly owned separate storm sewer system, the Executive Secretary, in his discretion, may issue: a single UPDES permit, with each discharger a co-permittee to a permit issued to the operator of the portion of the system that discharges into waters of the State; or, individual permits to each discharger of storm water associated with industrial activity through the non-municipal conveyance system.

1. All storm water discharges associated with industrial activity that discharge through a storm water discharge system that is not a municipal separate storm sewer must be covered by an individual permit, or a permit issued to the operator of the portion of the system that discharges to waters of the State, with each discharger to the non-municipal conveyance a co-permittee to that permit.

2. Where there is more than one operator of a single system of such conveyances, all operators of storm water discharges associated with industrial activity must submit applications.

3. Any permit covering more than one operator shall identify the effluent limitations, or other permit conditions, if any, that apply to each operator.

(g) Combined sewer systems. Conveyances that discharge storm water runoff combined with municipal sewage are point sources that must obtain UPDES permits and that are not subject to the provisions of this section.

(h) Small municipal, small construction, TMDL pollutants of concern, and significant contributors of pollution.

1. On and after October 1, 1994, for discharges composed entirely of storm water, that are not required by paragraph (1)(a) of this section to obtain a permit, operators shall be required to obtain a UPDES permit only if:

a. The discharge is from a small MS4 required to be regulated pursuant to 40 CFR 122.32 (see R317-8-1.10(10)).

b. The discharge is a storm water discharge associated with small construction activity pursuant to paragraph R317-8-3.9(6)(e).

c. The Executive Secretary or authorized representative determines that storm water controls are needed for the discharge based on wasteload allocations that are part of "total maximum daily loads" (TMDLs) that address the pollutant(s) of concern; or

d. The Executive Secretary or authorized representative determines that the discharge, or category of discharges within a geographic area, contributes to a violation of a water quality standard or is a significant contributor of pollutants to waters of the State.

2. Operators of small MS4s designated pursuant to paragraphs (1)(h)1.a., (1)(h)1.c., and (1)(h)1.d. of this section shall seek coverage under an UPDES permit in accordance with 40 CFR 122.33, 122.34, and 122.35 (see R317-8-1.10(11) through R317-8-1.10(13). Operators of non-municipal sources designated pursuant to paragraph (1)(h)1.b; (1)(h)1.c; and (1)(h)1.d of this section shall seek coverage under a UPDES permit in accordance with paragraph (2)(a) of this section.

3. Operators of storm water discharges designated pursuant to paragraphs (1)(h)1.c. and (1)(h)1.d. of this section shall apply to the Executive Secretary for a permit within 180 days of receipt of notice, unless permission for a later date is granted by the Executive Secretary (see R317-8-3.6(3)).

(2) Application requirements for storm water discharges associated with industrial activity and storm water discharges associated with small construction activity.

(a) Individual application. Dischargers of storm water associated with industrial activity and with small construction activity are required to apply for an individual permit or seek coverage under a promulgated storm water general permit. Facilities that are required to obtain an individual permit, or any discharge of storm water which the Executive Secretary is evaluating under R317-8-3.9(1)(a)5 and is not a municipal separate storm sewer, and which is not part of a group application described under paragraph R317-8-3.9(2)(b) of this section, shall submit an UPDES application in accordance with R317-8-3.1 and supplemented by the provisions of the remainder of this paragraph. Applicants for discharges composed entirely of storm water shall submit Forms 1 and 2F. Applicants for discharges composed of storm water and non-storm water shall submit EPA Forms 1, 2C, and 2F. Applicants for new sources or new discharges composed of storm water and non-storm water shall submit EPA Forms 1, 2D, and 2F.

1. Except as provided in R317-8-3.9(2)(a)2, 3, and 4, the operator of a storm water discharge associated with industrial activity subject to this section shall provide:

a. A site map showing topography (or indicating the outline of drainage areas served by the outfall(s) covered in the application if a topographic map is unavailable) of the facility including: each of its drainage and discharge structures; the drainage area of each storm water outfall; paved areas and buildings within the drainage area of each storm water outfall; each past or present area used for outdoor storage or disposal of significant materials; each existing structural control measure to reduce pollutants in storm water runoff; materials loading and access areas; areas where pesticides, herbicides, soil conditioners and fertilizers are applied; each of its hazardous waste treatment, storage or disposal facilities (including each area not required to have a RCRA permit which is used for accumulating hazardous waste); each well where fluids from the facility are injected underground; springs, and other surface water bodies which receive storm water discharges from the facility;

b. An estimate of the area of impervious surfaces (including paved areas and building roofs) and the total area drained by each outfall (within a mile radius of the facility) and a narrative description of the following: Significant materials that in the three years prior to the submittal of this application have been treated, stored or disposed in a manner to allow exposure to storm water; method of treatment, storage or disposal of such materials; materials management practices employed, in the three years prior to the submittal of this application, to minimize contact by these materials with storm water runoff; materials loading and access areas; the location, manner and frequency in which pesticides, herbicides, soil conditioners and fertilizers are applied; the location and a description of existing structural and non-structural control measures to reduce pollutants in storm water runoff; and a description of the treatment the storm water receives, including the ultimate disposal of any solid or fluid wastes other than by discharge;

c. A certification that all outfalls that should contain storm water discharges associated with industrial activity have been tested or evaluated for the presence of non-storm water discharges which are not covered by a UPDES permit; tests for such non-storm water discharges may include smoke tests, fluorometric dye tests, analysis of accurate schematics, as well as other appropriate tests. The certification shall include a description of the method used, the date of any testing, and the on-site drainage points that were directly observed during a test;

d. Existing information regarding significant leaks or spills of toxic or hazardous pollutants at the facility that have taken place within the three years prior to the submittal of this application;

e. Quantitative data based on samples collected during storm events and collected in accordance with R317-8-3.1 from all outfalls containing a storm water discharge associated with industrial activity for the following parameters:

i. Any pollutant limited in an effluent guideline to which the facility is subject;

ii. Any pollutant listed in the facility's UPDES permit for its process wastewater (if the facility is operating under an existing UPDES permit);

iii. Oil and grease, pH, BOD5, COD, TSS, total phosphorus, total Kjeldahl nitrogen, and nitrate plus nitrite nitrogen;

iv. Any information on the discharge required under R317-8-3.5(7)(d) and (e);

v. Flow measurements or estimates of the flow rate, and the total amount of discharge for the storm event(s) sampled, and the method of flow measurement or estimation; and

vi. The date and duration (in hours) of the storm event(s) sampled, rainfall measurements or estimates of the storm event (in inches) which generated the sampled runoff and the duration between the storm event sampled and the end of the previous measurable (greater than O.1 inch rainfall) storm event (in hours);

f. Operators of a discharge which is composed entirely of storm water are exempt from R317-8-3.5(2),(3),(4),(5),(7)(a),(c), and (f); and

g. Operators of new sources or new discharges which are composed in part or entirely of storm water must include estimates for the pollutants or parameters listed in R317-8-3.9(2)(a)1e instead of actual sampling data, along with the source of each estimate. Operators of new sources or new discharges composed in part or entirely of storm water must provide quantitative data for the parameters listed in R317-8-3.5(2)(a)1e within two years after commencement of discharge, unless such data has already been reported under the monitoring requirements of the UPDES permit for the discharge. Operators of a new source or new discharge which is composed entirely of storm water are exempt from the requirements of R317-8-3.2(3)(b) and (c) and 3.2(5).

2. An operator of an existing or new storm water discharge that is associated with industrial activity solely under R317-8-3.9(6)(c)11 of this section or is associated with small construction activity solely under paragraph R317-8-3.9(6)(e) of this section, is exempt from the requirements of R317-8-3.5 and R317-8-3.9(2)(a)1. Such operator shall provide a narrative description of:

a. The location (including a map) and the nature of the construction activity;

b. The total area of the site and the area of the site that is expected to undergo excavation during the life of the permit;

c. Proposed measures, including best management practices, to control pollutants in storm water discharges during construction, including a brief description of applicable State and local erosion and sediment control requirements;

d. Proposed measures to control pollutants in storm water discharges that will occur after construction operations have been completed, including a brief description of applicable State or local erosion and sediment control requirements;

e. An estimate of the runoff coefficient of the site and the increase in impervious area after the construction addressed in the permit application is completed, the nature of fill material and existing data describing the soil or the quality of the discharge; and

f. The name of the receiving water.

3. The operator of an existing or new discharge composed entirely of storm water from an oil or gas exploration, production, processing, or treatment operation, or transmission facility is not required to submit a permit application in accordance with R317-8-3.9(2)(a)1, unless the facility:

a. Has had a discharge of storm water resulting in the discharge of a reportable quantity for which notification is or was required pursuant to 40 CFR 117.21 or 40 CFR 302.6 at anytime since November 16, 1987;

b. Has had a discharge of storm water resulting in the discharge of a reportable quantity for which notification is or was required pursuant to 40 CFR 110.6 at any time since November 16, 1987; or

c. Contributes to a violation of a water quality standard.

4. The operator of an existing or new discharge composed entirely of storm water from a mining operation is not required to submit a permit application unless the discharge has come into contact with any overburden, raw material, intermediate products, finished product, byproduct or waste products located on the site of such operations.

5. Applicants shall provide such other information the Executive Secretary may reasonably require to determine whether to issue a permit and may require any facility subject to R317-8-3.9(2)(a)2 to comply with R317-8-3.9(2)(a)1.

(3) Application requirements for large and medium municipal separate storm sewer discharges. The operator of a discharge from a large or medium municipal separate storm sewer or a municipal separate storm sewer that is designated by the Executive Secretary under R317-8-3.9(1)(a)5, may submit a jurisdiction-wide or system-wide permit application. Where more than one public entity owns or operates a municipal separate storm sewer within a geographic area (including adjacent or interconnected municipal separate storm sewer systems), such operators may be a coapplicant to the same application. Permit applications for discharges from large and medium municipal storm sewers or municipal storm sewers designated under R317-8-3.9(1)(a)5 shall include:

(a) Part 1. Part 1 of the application shall consist of:

1. General information. The applicants' name, address, telephone number of contact person, ownership status and status as a State or local government entity.

2. Legal authority. A description of existing legal authority to control discharges to the municipal separate storm sewer system. When existing legal authority is not sufficient to meet the criteria provided in R317-8-3.9(3)(b)1, the description shall list additional authorities as will be necessary to meet the criteria and shall include a schedule and commitment to seek such additional authority that will be needed to meet the criteria.

3. Source identification.

a. A description of the historic use of ordinances, guidance or other controls which limited the discharge of non-storm water discharges to any Publicly Owned Treatment Works serving the same area as the municipal separate storm sewer system.

b. A USGS 7.5 minute topographic map (or equivalent topographic map with a scale between 1:10,000 and 1:24,000 if cost effective) extending one mile beyond the service boundaries of the municipal storm sewer system covered by the permit application. The following information shall be provided:

i. The location of known municipal storm sewer system outfalls discharging to waters of the State;

ii. A description of the land use activities (e.g. divisions indicating undeveloped, residential, commercial, agriculture and industrial uses) accompanied with estimates of population densities and projected growth for a ten year period within the drainage area served by the separate storm sewer. For each land use type, and estimate of an average runoff coefficient shall be provided;

iii. The location and a description of the activities of the facility of each currently operating or closed municipal landfill or other treatment, storage or disposal facility for municipal waste;

iv. The location and the permit number of any known discharge to the municipal storm sewer that has been issued a UPDES permit;

v. The location of major structural controls for storm water discharge (retention basins, detention basins, major infiltration devices, etc.); and

vi. The identification of publicly owned parks, recreational areas, and other open lands.

4. Discharge characterization.

a. Monthly mean rain and snow fall estimates (or summary of weather bureau data) and the monthly average number of storm events.

b. Existing quantitative data describing the volume and quality of discharges from the municipal storm sewer, including a description of the outfalls sampled, sampling procedures and analytical methods used.

c. A list of water bodies that receive discharges from the municipal separate storm sewer system, including downstream segments, lakes and estuaries, where pollutants from the system discharges may accumulate and cause water degradation and a brief description of known water quality impacts. At a minimum, the description of impacts shall include a description of whether the water bodies receiving such discharges have been:

i. Assessed and reported in CWA 305(b) reports submitted by the State, the basis for the assessment (evaluated or monitored), a summary of designated use support and attainment of Clean Water Act (CWA) goals (fishable and swimmable waters), and causes of nonsupport of designated uses;

ii. Listed under section 304(l)(1)(A)(i), section 304(l)(1)(A)(ii), or section 304(l)(1)(B) of the CWA that is not expected to meet water quality standards or water quality goals;

iii. Listed in Utah Nonpoint Source Assessments that, without additional action to control nonpoint sources of pollution, cannot reasonably be expected to attain or maintain water quality standards due to storm sewers, construction, highway maintenance and runoff from municipal landfills and municipal sludge adding significant pollution (or contributing to a violation of water quality standards);

iv. Identified and classified according to eutrophic condition of publicly owned lakes listed in State reports required under section 314(a) of the CWA (include the following: A description of those publicly owned lakes for which uses are known to be impaired; a description of procedures, processes and methods to control the discharge of pollutants from municipal separate storm sewers into such lakes; and a description of methods and procedures to restore the quality of such lakes);

v. Recognized by the applicant as highly valued or sensitive waters;

vi. Defined by the state or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's National Wetlands Inventory as wetlands; and

vii. Found to have pollutants in bottom sediments, fish tissue or biosurvey data.

d. Field screening. Results of a field screening analysis for illicit connections and illegal dumping for either selected field

screening points or major outfalls covered in the permit application. At a minimum, a screening analysis shall include a narrative description, for either each field screening point or major outfall, of visual observations made during dry weather periods. If any flow is observed, two grab samples shall be collected during a 24 hour period with a minimum period of four hours between samples. For all such samples, a narrative description of the color, odor, turbidity, the presence of an oil sheen or surface scum as well as any other relevant observations regarding the potential presence of non-storm water discharges or illegal dumping shall be provided. In addition, a narrative description of the results of a field analysis using suitable methods to estimate pH, total chlorine, total copper, total phenol, and detergents (or surfactants) shall be provided along with a description of the flow rate. Where the field analysis does not involve analytical methods approved under 40 CFR part 136, the applicant shall provide a description of the method used including the name of the manufacturer of the test method along with the range and accuracy of the test. Field screening points shall be either major outfalls or other outfall points (for any other point of access such as manholes) randomly located throughout the storm sewer system by placing a grid over a drainage system map and identifying those cells of the grid which contain a segment of the storm sewer system or major outfall. The field screening points shall be established using the following guidelines and criteria:

i. A grid system consisting of perpendicular north-south and east-west lines spaced 1/4 mile apart shall be overlayed on a map of the municipal storm sewer system, creating a series of cells;

ii. All cells that contain a segment of the storm sewer system shall be identified; one field screening point shall be selected in each cell; major outfalls may be used as field screening points;

iii. Field screening points should be located downstream of any sources of suspected illegal or illicit activity;

iv. Field screening points shall be located to the degree practicable at the farthest manhole or other accessible location downstream in the system, within each cell; however, safety of personnel and accessibility of the location should be considered in making this determination;

v. Hydrological conditions; total drainage area of the site; population density of the site; traffic density; age of the structures or building in the area; history of the area; and land use types;

vi. For medium municipal separate storm sewer systems, no more than 250 cells need to have identified field screening points; in large municipal separate storm sewer systems, no more than 500 cells need to have identified field screening points; cells established by the grid that contain no storm sewer segments will be eliminated from consideration; if fewer than 250 cells in medium municipal sewers are created, and fewer than 500 in large systems are created by the overlay on the municipal sewer map, then all those cells which contain a segment of the sewer system shall be subject to field screening (unless access to the separate storm sewer system is impossible); and

vii. Large or medium municipal separate storm sewer systems which are unable to utilize the procedures described in R317-8-3.9(3)(a)4di-vi, because a sufficiently detailed map of the separate storm sewer systems is unavailable, shall field screen no more than 500 or 250 major outfalls respectively (or all major outfalls in the system, if less); in such circumstances, the applicant shall establish a grid system consisting of north-south and east-west lines spaced 1/4 mile apart as an overlay to the boundaries of the municipal storm sewer system, thereby creating a series of cells; the applicant will then select major outfalls in as many cells as possible until at least 500 major outfalls (large municipalities) or 250 major outfalls (medium municipalities) are selected; a field screening analysis shall be undertaken at these major outfalls.

e. Characterization plan. Information and a proposed program to meet the requirements of R317-8-3.9(3)(b)3. Such description shall include: the location of outfalls or field screening points appropriate for representative data collection under R317-8-3.9(3)(b)3.a, a description of why the outfall or field screening point is representative, the seasons during which sampling is intended, a description of the sampling equipment. The proposed location of outfall or field screening points for such sampling should reflect water quality concerns to the extent practicable.

5. Management programs.

a. A description of the existing management programs to control pollutants from the municipal separate storm sewer system. The description shall provide information on existing structural and source controls, including operation and maintenance measures for structural controls, that are currently being implemented. Such controls may include, but are not limited to: Procedures to control pollution resulting from construction activities; floodplain management controls; wetland protection measures; best management practices for new subdivisions; and emergency spill response programs. The description may address controls established under State law as well as local requirements.

b. A description of the existing program to identify illicit connections to the municipal storm sewer system. The description should include inspection procedures and methods for detecting and preventing illicit discharges, and describe areas where this program has been implemented.

6. Financial resources. A description of the financial resources currently available to the municipality to complete part 2 of the permit application. A description of the municipality's budget for existing storm water programs, including an overview of the municipality's financial resources and budget, including overall indebtedness and assets, and sources of funds for storm water programs.

(b) Part 2. Part 2 of the application shall consist of:

1. Adequate legal authority. A demonstration that the applicant can operate pursuant to legal authority established by statute, ordinance or series of contracts which authorizes or enables the applicant at a minimum to:

a. Control through ordinance, permit, contract, order or similar means, the contribution of pollutants to the municipal storm sewer by storm water discharges associated with industrial activity and the quality of storm water discharged from sites of industrial activity;

b. Prohibit through ordinance, order or similar means, illicit discharges to the municipal separate storm sewer;

c. Control through ordinance, order or similar means the discharge to a municipal separate storm sewer of spills, dumping or disposal of materials other than storm water;

d. Control through interagency agreements among coapplicants the contribution of pollutants from one portion of the municipal system to another portion of the municipal system;

e. Require compliance with conditions in ordinances, permits, contracts or orders; and

f. Carry out all inspection, surveillance and monitoring procedures necessary to determine compliance and noncompliance with permit conditions including the prohibition on illicit discharges to the municipal separate storm sewer.

2. Source identification. The location of any major outfall that discharges to waters of the State that was not reported under R317-8-3.9(3)(a)3b 1. Provide an inventory, organized by watershed of the name and address, and a description (such as SIC codes) which best reflects the principal products or services provided by each facility which may discharge, to the municipal separate storm sewer, storm water associated with industrial

activity;

3. Characterization data. When "quantitative data" for a pollutant are required, the applicant must collect a sample of effluent in accordance with R317-8-3.5(7) and analyze it for the pollutant in accordance with analytical methods approved under 40 CFR part 136. When no analytical method is approved the applicant may use any suitable method but must provide a description of the method. The applicant must provide information characterizing the quality and quantity of discharges covered in the permit application, including:

a. Quantitative data from representative outfalls designated by the Executive Secretary (based on information received in part 1 of the application, the Executive Secretary shall designate between five and ten outfalls or field screening points as representative of the commercial, residential and industrial land use activities of the drainage area contributing to the system or, where there are less than five outfalls covered in the application, the Executive Secretary shall designate all outfalls) developed as follows:

i. For each outfall or field screening point designated, samples shall be collected of storm water discharges from three storm events occurring at least one month apart in accordance with R317-8-3.5(7) (the Executive Secretary may allow exemptions to sampling three storm events when climatic conditions create good cause for such exemptions);

ii. A narrative description shall be provided of the date and duration of the storm event(s) sampled, rainfall estimates of the storm event which generated the sampled discharge and the duration between the storm event sampled and the end of the previous measurable (greater than 0.1 inch rainfall) storm event;

iii. For samples collected and described under R317-8-3.9(3)(b)3.a i and ii, quantitative data shall be provided for: the organic pollutants listed in Table II; the pollutants listed in Table III (other toxic pollutants metals, cyanide, and total phenols) of R317-8-3.13, and for the following pollutants:

Total suspended solids (TSS)
Total dissolved solids (TDS)
COD
BOD5
Oil and grease
Fecal coliform
Fecal streptococcus
pH
Total Kjeldahl nitrogen
Nitrate plus nitrite
Dissolved phosphorus
Total ammonia plus organic nitrogen
Total phosphorus

iv. Additional limited quantitative data required by the Executive Secretary for determining permit conditions (the Executive Secretary may require that quantitative data shall be provided for additional parameters, and may establish sampling conditions such as the location, season of sample collection, form of precipitation and other parameters necessary to insure representativeness);

b. Estimates of the annual pollutant load of the cumulative discharges to waters of the State from all identified municipal outfalls and the event mean concentration of the cumulative discharges to waters of the State from all identified municipal outfalls during a storm event for BOD5, COD, TSS, dissolved solids, total nitrogen, total ammonia plus organic nitrogen, total phosphorus, dissolved phosphorus, cadmium, copper, lead, and zinc. Estimates shall be accompanied by a description of the procedures for estimating constituent loads and concentrations, including any modeling, data analysis, and calculation methods;

c. A proposed schedule to provide estimates for each major outfall identified in either R317-8-3.9(3)(b)2 or R317-8-3.9(3)(a)3b 1 of the seasonal pollutant load and of the event mean concentration of a representative storm for any constituent detected in any sample required under R317-8-3.9(3)(b)3a of this section; and

d. A proposed monitoring program for representative data collection for the term of the permit that describes the location of outfalls or field screening points to be sampled (or the location of instream stations), why the location is representative, the frequency of sampling, parameters to be sampled, and a description of sampling equipment.

4. Proposed management program. A proposed management program covers the duration of the permit. It shall include a comprehensive planning process which involves public participation and where necessary intergovernmental coordination, to reduce the discharge of pollutants to the maximum extent practicable using management practices, control techniques and system, design and engineering methods, and such other provisions which are appropriate. The program shall also include a description of staff and equipment available to implement the program. Separate proposed programs may be submitted by each coapplicant. Proposed programs may impose controls on a system wide basis, a watershed basis, a jurisdiction basis, or on individual outfalls. Proposed programs will be considered by the Executive Secretary when developing permit conditions to reduce pollutants in discharges to the maximum extent practicable. Proposed management programs shall describe priorities for implementing controls. Such programs shall be based on:

a. A description of structural and source control measures to reduce pollutants from runoff from commercial and residential areas that are discharged from the municipal storm sewer system that are to be implemented during the life of the permit, accompanied with an estimate of the expected reduction of pollutant loads and a proposed schedule for implementing such controls. At a minimum, the description shall include:

i. A description of maintenance activities and a maintenance schedule for structural controls to reduce pollutants (including floatables) in discharges from municipal separate storm sewers;

ii. A description of planning procedures including a comprehensive master plan to develop, implement and enforce controls to reduce the discharge of pollutants from municipal separate storm sewers which receive discharges from areas of new development and significant redevelopment. Such plan shall address controls to reduce pollutants in discharges from municipal separate storm sewers after construction is completed. Controls to reduce pollutants in discharges from municipal separate storm sewers containing construction site runoff are addressed in R317-8-3.9(3)(b)4d;

iii. A description of practices for operating and maintaining public streets, roads and highways and procedures for reducing the impact on receiving waters of discharges from municipal storm sewer systems, including pollutants discharged as a result of deicing activities;

iv. A description of procedures to assure that flood management projects assess the impacts on the water quality of receiving water bodies and that existing structural flood control devices have been evaluated to determine if retrofitting the device to provide additional pollutant removal from storm water is feasible.

v. A description of a program to monitor pollutants in runoff from operating or closed municipal landfills or other treatment, storage or disposal facilities for municipal waste, which shall identify priorities and procedures for inspections and establishing and implementing control measures for such discharges (this program can be coordinated with the program developed under R317-8-3.9(3)(b)4c); and

vi. A description of a program to reduce to the maximum extent practicable, pollutants in discharges from municipal separate storm sewers associated with the application of pesticides, herbicides and fertilizer which will include, as

appropriate, controls such as educational activities, permits, certifications and other measures for commercial applicators and distributors, and controls for application in public right-of-ways and at municipal facilities.

b. A description of a program, including a schedule, to detect and remove illicit discharges and improper disposal into the storm sewer. The proposed program shall include:

i. A description of a program, including inspections, to implement and enforce an ordinance, orders or similar means to prevent illicit discharges to the municipal separate storm sewer system; this program description shall address all types of illicit discharges, however the following category of non-storm water discharges or flows shall be addressed where such discharges are identified by the municipality as sources of pollutants to waters of the State: water line flushing, landscape irrigation, diverted stream flows, rising ground waters, uncontaminated ground water infiltration to separate storm sewers, uncontaminated pumped ground water, discharges from potable water sources, foundation drains, air conditioning condensation, irrigation water, springs, water from crawl space pumps, footing drains, lawn watering, individual residential car washing, flows from riparian habitats and wetlands, dechlorinated swimming pool discharges, and street wash water (program descriptions shall address discharges or flows from fire fighting only where such discharges or flows are identified as significant sources of pollutants to waters of the State);

ii. A description of procedures to conduct on-going field screening activities during the life of the permit, including areas or locations that will be evaluated by such field screens;

iii. A description of procedures to be followed to investigate portions of the separate storm sewer system that, based on the results of the field screen, or other appropriate information, indicate a reasonable potential of containing illicit discharges or other sources of non-storm water (such procedures may include: sampling procedures for constituents such as fecal coliform, fecal streptococcus, surfactants (MBAS), residual chlorine, fluorides and potassium; testing with fluorometric dyes; or conducting in storm sewer inspections where safety and other considerations allow. Such description shall include the location of storm sewers that have been identified for such evaluation);

iv. A description of procedures to prevent, contain, and respond to spills that may discharge into the municipal separate storm sewer;

v. A description of a program to promote, publicize and facilitate public reporting of the presence of illicit discharges or water quality impacts associated with discharges from municipal separate storm sewers;

vi. A description of educational activities, public information activities, and other appropriate activities to facilitate the proper management and disposal of used oil and toxic materials; and

vii. A description of controls to limit infiltration of seepage from municipal sanitary sewers to municipal separate storm sewer systems where necessary;

c. A description of a program to monitor and control pollutants in storm water discharges to municipal systems from municipal landfills, hazardous waste treatment, disposal and recovery facilities, industrial facilities that are subject to section 313 of title III of the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA), and industrial facilities that the municipal permit applicant determines are contributing a substantial pollutant loading to the municipal storm sewer system. The program shall:

i. Identify priorities and procedures for inspection and establishing and implementing control measures for such discharges;

ii. Describe a monitoring program for storm water discharges associated with the industrial facilities identified in R317-8-3.9(b)4c to be implemented during the term of the permit, including the submission of quantitative data on the following constituents: any pollutants limited in effluent guidelines subcategories, where applicable; any pollutant listed in an existing UPDES permit for a facility; oil and grease, COD, pH, BOD5, TSS, total phosphorus, total Kjeldahl nitrogen, nitrate plus nitrite nitrogen, and any information on discharges required under R317-8-3.5(7)(d) 1, 2, and (e).

d. A description of a program to implement and maintain structural and non-structural best management practices to reduce pollutants in storm water runoff from construction sites to the municipal storm sewer system, which shall include:

i. A description of procedures for site planning which incorporate consideration of potential water quality impacts;

ii. A description of requirements for nonstructural and structural best management practices;

iii. A description of procedures for identifying priorities for inspecting sites and enforcing control measures which consider the nature of the construction activity, topography, and the characteristics of soils and receiving water quality; and

iv. A description of appropriate educational and training measures for construction site operators.

v. Assessment of controls. Estimated reductions in loadings of pollutants from discharges of municipal storm sewer constituents from municipal storm sewer systems expected as the result of the municipal storm water quality management program. The assessment shall also identify known impacts of storm water controls on ground water.

vi. Fiscal analysis. For each fiscal year to be covered by the permit, a fiscal analysis of the necessary capital and operation and maintenance expenditures necessary to accomplish the activities of the programs under R317-8-3.9(8)(b) 3 and 4. Such analysis shall include a description of the source of funds that are proposed to meet the necessary expenditures, including legal restrictions on the use of such funds.

vii. Where more than one legal entity submits an application, the application shall contain a description of the rules and responsibilities of each legal entity and procedures to ensure effective coordination.

viii. Where requirements under R317-8-3.9(3)(a)4e, 3.9(3)(b)3b, and 3.9(3)(b)4 are not practicable or are not applicable, the Executive Secretary may exclude any operator of a discharge from a municipal separate storm sewer which is designated under R317-8-3.9(1)(a)5, R317-8-1.6(4)(b) or R317-8-1.6(7)(b) from such requirements. The Executive Secretary shall not exclude the operator of a discharge from a municipal separate storm sewer located in incorporated places with populations greater than 100,000 and less than 250,000 according to the latest decennial census by Bureau of Census; or located in counties with unincorporated urbanized areas with a population of 250,000 or more according to the latest decennial census by the Bureau of Census, from any of the permit application requirements except where authorized.

(4) Application deadlines. Any operator of a point source required to obtain a permit under R317-8-3.9(1)(a) that does not have an effective UPDES permit authorizing discharges from its storm water outfalls shall submit an application in accordance with the following deadlines:

(a) Storm water discharges associated with industrial activities.

1. Except as provided in paragraph (4)(a)2. Of this section, for any storm water discharge associated with industrial activity identified in paragraphs R317-8-3.9(6)(d)1 through 11 of this section that is not authorized by a storm water general permit, a permit application made pursuant to paragraph R317-8-3.9(2) of this section must be submitted to the Executive Secretary by October 1, 1992;

2. For any storm water discharge associated with industrial

activity from a facility that is owned or operated by a municipality with a population of less than 100,000 that is not authorized by a general or individual permit, other than an airport, powerplant, or uncontrolled sanitary landfill, the permit application must be submitted to the Executive Secretary by March 10, 2003.

(b) For any discharge from a large municipal separate storm sewer system:

1. Part 1 of the application shall be submitted to the Executive Secretary by November 18, 1991;

2. Based on information received in the part 1 application the Executive Secretary will approve or deny a sampling plan within 90 days after receiving the part 1 application;

3. Part 2 of the application shall be submitted to the Executive Secretary by November 16, 1992.

(c) For any discharge from a medium municipal separate storm sewer system;

1. Part 1 of the application shall be submitted to the Executive Secretary by May 18, 1992.

2. Based on information received in the part 1 application the Executive Secretary will approve or deny a sampling plan within 90 days after receiving the part 1 application.

3. Part 2 of the application shall be submitted to the Executive Secretary by May 17, 1993.

(d) A permit application shall be submitted to the Executive Secretary within 180 days of notice, unless permission for a later date is granted by the Executive Secretary for;

1. A storm water discharge which the Executive Secretary determines that the discharge contributes to a violation of a water quality standard or is a significant contributor of pollutants to waters of the State.

2. A storm water discharge subject to R317-8-3.9(2)(a)5.

(e) Facilities with existing UPDES permits for storm water discharges associated with industrial activity shall maintain existing permits. New applications shall be submitted 180 days before the expiration of such permits. Facilities with expired permits or permits due to expire before May 18, 1992, shall submit applications in accordance with the deadline set forth in R317-8-3.9(4)(a).

(f) For any storm water discharge associated with small construction activity identified in paragraph R317-8-3.9(6)(e)1. of this section, see R317-8-3.1(2). Discharges from these sources require permit authorization by March 10, 2003, unless designated for coverage before then.

(g) For any discharge from a regulated small MS4, the permit application made under 40 CFR 122.33 (see R317-8-1.10(11)) must be submitted to the Executive Secretary by:

1. March 10, 2003 if designated under 40 CFR 122.32 (a)(1) (see R317-8-1.10(10)) unless your MS4 serves a jurisdiction with a population under 10,000 and the Executive Secretary has established a phasing schedule under 40 CFR 123.35 (d)(3); or

2. Within 180 days of notice, unless the Executive Secretary grants a later date, if designated under 40 CFR 122.32(a)(2) and 40 CFR 122.33(c)(2) (see R317-8-1.10(10) and (11)).

(5) Petitions.

(a) Any operator of a municipal separate storm sewer system may petition the Executive Secretary to require a separate UPDES permit for any discharge into the municipal separate storm sewer system.

(b) Any person may petition the Executive Secretary to require a UPDES permit for a discharge which is composed entirely of storm water which contributes to a violation of a water quality standard or is a significant contributor of pollutants to waters of the State.

(c) The owner or operator of a municipal separate storm sewer system may petition the Executive Secretary to reduce the Census estimates of the population served by such separate system to account for storm water discharge to combined sewers that is treated in a publicly owned treatment works. In municipalities in which combined sewers are operated, the Census estimates of population may be reduced proportional to the fraction, based on estimated lengths, of the length of combined sewers over the sum of the length of combined sewers and municipal separate storm sewers where an applicant has submitted the UPDES permit number associated with each discharge point and a map indicating areas served by combined sewers and the location of any combined sewer overflow discharge point.

(d) Any person may petition the Executive Secretary for the designation of a large, medium, or small municipal separate storm sewer system as defined by R317-8-1.6(4), (7), and (14).

(e) The Executive Secretary shall make a final determination on any petition received under this section within 90 days after receiving the petition with the exception of the petitions to designate a small MS4 in which case the Executive Secretary shall make a final determination on the petition within 180 days after its receipt.

(6) Provisions Applicable to Storm Water Definitions.

(a) The Executive Secretary may designate a municipal separate storm sewer system as part of a large system due to the interrelationship between the discharges of designated storm sewer and the discharges from the municipal separate storm sewers described under R317-8-1.6(4)(a) or (b). In making the determination under R317-8-1.6(4)(b) the Executive Secretary may consider the following factors:

1. Physical interconnections between the municipal separate storm sewers;

2. The location of discharges from the designated municipal separate storm sewer relative to discharges from municipal separate storm sewers described in R317-8-1.6(3)(a);

3. The quantity and nature of pollutants discharged to waters of the State;

4. The nature of the receiving waters; and

5. Other relevant factors; or

The Executive Secretary may, upon petition, designate as a large municipal separate storm sewer system, municipal separate storm sewers located within the boundaries of a region defined by a storm water management regional authority based on a jurisdictional, watershed, or other appropriate basis that includes one or more of the systems described in R317-8-1.6(4).

(b) The Executive Secretary may designate a municipal separate storm sewer system as part of a medium system due to the interrelationship between the discharges of designated storm sewer and the discharges from the municipal separate storm sewers describer under R317-8-1.6(7)(a) or (b). In making the determination under R317-8-1.6(7)(b) the Executive Secretary may consider the following factors;

1. Physical interconnections between the municipal separate storm sewers;

2. The location of discharges from the designated municipal separate storm sewer relative to discharges from municipal separate storm sewers described in R317-8-1.6(7)(a);

3. The quantity and nature of pollutants discharged to waters of the State;

4. The nature of the receiving waters; or

5. Other relevant factors; or

The Executive Secretary may, upon petition, designate as a medium municipal separate storm sewer system, municipal separate storm sewers located within the boundaries of a region defined by a storm water management regional authority based on a jurisdictional, watershed, or other appropriate basis that includes one or more of the systems described in R317-8-1.6(7)(a), (b), and (c).

(c) Storm water discharges associated with industrial activity means the discharge from any conveyance that is used

for collecting and conveying storm water and that is directly related to manufacturing, processing or raw materials storage areas at an industrial plant. The term does not include discharges from facilities or activities excluded from the UPDES program under this part R317-8. For the categories of industries identified in this section, the term includes, but is not limited to, storm water discharges from industrial plant yards; immediate access roads and rail lines used or traveled by carriers of raw materials, manufactured products, waste materials, or by-products used or created by the facility; material handling sites; refuse sites; sites used for the application or disposal of process waste water (as defined in 40 CFR 401); sites used for the storage and maintenance of material handling equipment; sites used for residual treatment, storage, or disposal; shipping and receiving areas; manufacturing buildings; storage areas (including tank farms) for raw materials, and intermediate and final products; and areas where industrial activity has taken place in the past and significant materials remain and are exposed to storm water. For the purpose of this paragraph, material handling activities include storage, loading and unloading, transportation, or conveyance of any raw material, intermediate product, final product, by-product or waste product. The term excludes areas located on plant lands separate from plant's industrial activities, such as office buildings and accompanying parking lots as long as the drainage from the excluded areas is not mixed with storm water drained from the above described areas. Industrial facilities (including industrial facilities that are federally, State, or municipally owned or operated that meet the description of the facilities listed in paragraphs (d)1. through(11.) of this section) include those facilities designated under the provisions of paragraph (1)(a)5. of this section.

d. The following categories of facilities are considered to be engaging in "industrial activity" for the purposes of this section (see R317-8-3.9(1)(a)2 and (6)(c)).

1. Facilities subject to storm water effluent limitations guidelines, new source performance standards, or toxic pollutant effluent standards, or toxic pollutant effluent standards under 40 CFR subchapter N except facilities with toxic pollutant effluent standards which are exempted under category R317-8-3.9(6)(c)11;

2. Facilities classified as Standard Industrial Classifications 24 (except 2434), 26 (except 265 and 267), 28 (except 283 and 285), 29, 311, 32 (except 323), 33, 3441, 373;

3. Facilities classified as Standard Industrial Classifications 10 through 14 (mineral industry) including active or inactive mining operations (except for areas of coal mining operations no longer meeting the definition of a reclamation area because the performance bond issued to the facility by the appropriate SMCRA authority has been released, or except for areas of non-coal mining operations which have been released from applicable State or Federal reclamation requirements after December 17, 1990) and oil and gas exploration, production, processing, or treatment operations, or transmission facilities that discharge storm water contaminated by contact with or that has come into contact with, any overburden, raw material, intermediate products, finished products, byproducts or waste products located on the site of such operations; (inactive mining operations are mining sites that are not being actively mined, but which have an identifiable owner/operator; inactive mining sites do not include sites where mining claims are being maintained prior to disturbances associated with the extraction, beneficiation, or processing of mined materials, nor sites where minimal activities are undertaken for the sole purpose of maintaining a mining claim);

4. Hazardous waste treatment, storage, or disposal facilities, including those that are operating under interim status or a permit under subtitle C of RCRA;

5. Landfills, land application sites, and open dumps that receive or have received any industrial wastes (waste that is received from any of the facilities described under this subsection) including those that are subject to regulation under subtitle D of RCRA;

6. Facilities involved in the recycling of materials, including metal scrap yards, battery reclaimers, salvage yards, and automobile junkyards, including but limited to those classified as Standard Industrial Classification 5015 and 5093;

7. Steam electric power generating facilities, including coal handling sites;

8. Transportation facilities classified as Standard Industrial Classifications 40, 41, 42 (except 4221-25), 43, 44, 45, and 5171 which have vehicle maintenance shops, equipment cleaning operations, or airport deicing operations. Only those portions of the facility that are either involved in vehicle maintenance (including vehicle rehabilitation, mechanical repairs, painting, fueling, and lubrication), equipment cleaning operations, airport deicing operations, or which are otherwise identified under R317-8-3.9(6)(c) 1 through 7 or R317-8-3.9(6)(c) 9 through 11 are associated with industrial activity;

9. Treatment works treating domestic sewage or any other sewage sludge or wastewater treatment device or system, used in the storage treatment, recycling, and reclamation of municipal or domestic sewage, including land dedicated to the disposal of sewage sludge that are located within the confines of the facility, with a design flow of 1.0 mgd or more, or required to have an approved pretreatment program. Not included are farm lands, domestic gardens or lands used for sludge management where sludge is beneficially reused and which are not physically located in the confines of the facility, or areas that are in compliance with requirements for disposal of sewage sludge.

10. Construction activity including clearing, grading and excavation, except operations that result in the disturbance of less than five acres of total land area. Construction activity also includes the disturbance of less than five acres of total land area that is part of a larger common plan of development or sale if the larger common plan will ultimately disturb five acres or more;

11. Facilities under Standard Industrial Classifications 20, 21, 22, 23, 2434, 25, 265, 267, 27, 283, 285, 30, 31 (except 311), 323, 34 (except 3441), 35, 36, 37 (except 373), 38, 39, 4221-25.

(e) Storm water discharge associated with small construction activity means the discharge of storm water from:

1. Construction activities including clearing, grading, and excavating that result in land disturbance of equal to or greater than one acre and less than five acres. Small construction activity also includes the disturbance of less than one acre of total land area that is part of a larger common plan of development or sale if the larger common plan will ultimately disturb equal to or greater than one and less than five acres. Small construction activity does not include routine maintenance that is performed to maintain the original line and grade, hydraulic capacity, or original purpose of the facility. The Executive Secretary may waive the otherwise applicable requirements in a general permit for a storm water discharge from construction activities that disturb less than five acres where:

a. The value of the rainfall erosivity factor ("R" in the Revised Universal Soil Loss Equation) is less than five during the period of construction activity. The rainfall erosivity factor is determined in accordance with Chapter 2 of Agriculture Handbook Number 703, Predicting Soil Erosion by Water: A Guide to Conservation Planning With the Revised Universal Soil Loss Equation (RUSLE), page 21-64, dated January 1997. Copies may be obtained from EPA's Water Resource Center, Mail Code RC4100, 401 M St. S.W., Washington, DC 20460. A copy is also available for inspection at the U.S. EPA Water Docket, 401 M Street S.W., Washington, DC. 20460, or the

Office of Federal Register, 800 N. Capitol Street N.W. Suite 700, Washington, DC. An Operator must certify to the Executive Secretary that the construction activity will take place during a period when the value of the rainfall erosivity factor is less than five; or

b. Storm water controls are not needed based on a "total maximum daily load" (TMDL) approved by EPA that addresses the pollutant(s) of concern or, for non-impaired waters that do not require TMDLs, an equivalent analysis that determines allocations for small construction sites for the pollutant(s) of concern or that determines that such allocations are not needed to protect water quality based on consideration of existing in-stream concentrations, expected growth in pollutant contributions from all sources, and a margin of safety. For the purpose of this paragraph, the pollutant(s) of concern include sediment or a parameter that addresses sediment (such as total suspended solids, turbidity or siltation) and any other pollutant that has been identified as a cause of impairment of any water body that will receive a discharge from the construction activity. The operator must certify to the Executive Secretary that the construction activity will take place, and storm water discharges will occur, within the drainage area addressed by the TMDL or equivalent analysis.

2. Any other construction activity designated by the Executive Secretary based on the potential for contribution to a violation of a water quality standard or for significant contribution of pollutants to waters of the State.

(7) Conditional exclusion for "no exposure" of industrial activities and materials to storm water. Discharges composed entirely of storm water are not storm water discharges associated with industrial activity if there is "no exposure" of industrial materials and activities to rain, snow, snow melt and/or runoff, and the discharger satisfies the conditions in paragraphs (7)(a) through (7)(d) of this section. "No exposure" means that all industrial materials and activities are protected by a storm resistant shelter to prevent exposure to rain, snow, snow melt, and/or runoff. Industrial materials or activities include, but are not limited to, material handling equipment or activities, industrial machinery, raw materials, intermediate products, by-products, final products, or waste products. Material handling activities include the storage, loading and unloading, transportation, or conveyance of any raw material, intermediate product, final product or waste product.

(a) Qualification. To qualify for this exclusion, the operator of the discharge must:

1. Provide a storm resistant shelter to protect industrial materials and activities from exposure to rain, snow, snow melt, and runoff:

2. Complete and sign (according to R317-8-3.3) a certification that there are no discharges of storm water contaminated by exposure to industrial materials and activities from the entire facility, except as provided in paragraph (7)(b) of this section:

3. Submit the signed certification to the Executive Secretary once every five years;

4. Allow the Executive Secretary or authorized representative to inspect the facility to determine compliance with the "no exposure" conditions;

5. Allow the Executive Secretary or authorized representative to make any "no exposure" inspection reports available to the public upon request; and

6. For facilities that discharge through an MS4, upon request, submit a copy of the certification of "no exposure" to the MS4 operator, as well as allow inspection and public reporting by the MS4 operator.

(b) Industrial materials and activities not requiring storm resistant shelter. To qualify for this exclusion, storm resistant shelter is not required for:

1. Drums, barrels, tanks, and similar containers that are tightly sealed, provided those containers are not deteriorated and do not leak ("Sealed" means banded or otherwise secured and without operational taps or valves);

2. Adequately maintained vehicles used in material handling; and

3. Final products, other than products that would be mobilized in storm water discharge (e.g., rock salt).

(c) Limitations

1. Storm water discharges from construction activities identified in paragraphs R317-8-3.9(6)(d)10. and R317-8-3.9(6)(e) are not eligible for this conditional exclusion.

2. This conditional exclusion from the requirement for an UPDES permit is available on a facility-wide basis only, not for individual outfalls. If a facility has some discharges of storm water that would otherwise be "no exposure" discharges, individual permit requirements should be adjusted accordingly.

3. If circumstances change and industrial materials or activities become exposed to rain, snow, snow melt, and/or runoff, the conditions for this exclusion no longer apply. In such cases, the discharge become subject to enforcement for un-permitted discharge. Any conditionally exempt discharger who anticipates changes in circumstances should apply for and obtain permit authorization prior to the change of circumstances.

4. Notwithstanding the provisions of this paragraph, the Executive Secretary retains the authority to require permit authorization (and deny this exclusion) upon making a determination that the discharge causes, has a reasonable potential to cause, or contributes to an instream excursion above an applicable water quality standard, including designated uses.

(d) Certification. The no exposure certification must require the submission of the following information, at a minimum, to aid the Executive Secretary in determining if the facility qualifies for the no exposure exclusion:

1. The legal name, address and phone number of the discharger (see R317-8-3.1(3)).

2. The facility name and address, the county name and the latitude and longitude where the facility is located;

3. The certification must indicate that none of the following materials or activities are, or will be in the foreseeable future, exposed to precipitation:

a. Using, storing, or cleaning industrial machinery or equipment, and areas where residuals from using, storing or cleaning industrial machinery or equipment remain and are exposed to storm water;

b. Materials or residuals on the ground or in storm water inlets from spills/leaks;

c. Materials or products from past industrial activity;

d. Materials handling equipment (except adequately maintained vehicles);

e. Materials or products during loading/unloading or transporting activities;

f. Materials or products stored outdoors (except final products intended for outside use, e.g., new cars, where exposure to storm water does not result in the discharge to pollutants);

g. Materials contained in open, deteriorated or leaking storage drums, barrels, tanks, and similar containers;

h. Materials or products handled/stored on roads or railways owned or maintained by the discharger;

i. Waste material (except waste in covered, non-leaking containers, e.g., dumpsters);

j. Application or disposal of process wastewater (unless otherwise permitted); and

k. Particulate matter or visible deposits or residuals from roof stacks/vents not otherwise regulated, i.e., under an air quality control permit, and evident in the storm water outflow.

4. All "no exposure" certifications must include the following certification statement, and be signed in accordance

with the signatory requirements of R317-8-3.3 "I certify under penalty of law that I have read and understand the eligibility requirements for claiming a condition of "no exposure" and obtaining an exclusion from UPDES storm water permitting; and that there are no discharges of storm water contaminated by exposure to industrial activities or materials from the industrial facility identified in this document (except as allowed under paragraph (7)(b) of this section). I understand that I am obligated to submit a no exposure certification form once every five years to the Executive Secretary and, if requested, to the operator of the local MS4 into which this facility discharges (where applicable). I understand that I must allow the Executive Secretary or authorized representative or MS4 operator where the discharge is into the local MS4, to perform inspections to confirm the condition of no exposure and make such inspection reports publicly available upon request. I understand that I must obtain coverage under a UPDES permit prior to any point source discharge of storm water from the facility. I certify under penalty of law that this document and all attachments were prepared under my direction or supervision in accordance with a system designed to assure that qualified personnel properly gathered and evaluated the information submitted. Based upon my inquiry of the person or persons who manage the system, or those persons directly involved in gathering the information, the information submitted is to the best of my knowledge and belief true, accurate and complete. I am aware there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations."

(8) The Executive Secretary may designate small MS4's other than those described in 40 CFR 122.32(a)(1) (see also R317-8-1.10(10)) to be covered under the UPDES storm water permit program, and require a UPDES storm water permit. Designations of this kind will be based on whether a storm water discharge results in or has the potential to result in exceedances of water quality standards, including impairment of designated uses, or other significant water quality impacts, including habitat and biological impacts; and shall apply to any small MS4 located outside of an urbanized area serving a population density of at least 1,000 people per square mile and a population of at least 10,000.

(a) Criteria used in designation may include;

1. discharge(s) to sensitive waters,
2. areas with high growth or growth potential,
3. areas with a high population density,
4. areas that are contiguous to an urbanized area,
5. small MS4's that cause a significant contribution of pollutants to waters of the State,
6. small MS4's that do not have effective programs to protect water quality by other programs, or
7. other appropriate criteria.

(b) Permits for designated MS4's under this paragraph shall be under the same requirements as small MS4's designated under 40 CFR 122.32(a)(1) (see also R317-8-1.10(10)).

3.10 SILVICULTURAL ACTIVITIES

(1) Permit requirements. Silvicultural point sources, as defined in this section, are point sources subject to the UPDES permit program.

(2) Definitions.

(a) "Silvicultural point source" means any discernible, confined, and discrete conveyance related to rock crushing, gravel washing, log sorting, or log storage facilities which are operated in connection with silvicultural activities and from which pollutants are discharged into waters of the State. The term does not include non-point source silvicultural activities such as nursery operations, site preparation, reforestation and subsequent cultural treatment, thinning, prescribed burning, pest and fire control, harvesting operations, surface drainage, or road construction and maintenance from which there is natural runoff.

(b) "Rock crushing and gravel washing facilities" means facilities which process crushed and broken stone, gravel, and riprap.

(c) "Log sorting and log storage facilities" means facilities whose discharges result from the holding of unprocessed wood, for example, logs or roundwood with bark or after removal of bark held in self-contained bodies of water or stored on land where water is applied intentionally on the logs.

3.11 APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR NEW AND EXISTING POTWS.

(1) The following POTWs shall provide the results of valid whole effluent biological toxicity testing to the Executive Secretary.

(a) All POTWs with design influent flows equal to or greater than one million gallons per day; and

(b) All POTWs with approved pretreatment programs or POTWs required to develop a pretreatment program;

(2) In addition to the POTWs listed in R317-8-3.11(1)(a) and (b) the Executive Secretary may require other POTWs to submit the results of toxicity tests with their permit applications, based on consideration of the following factors:

(a) The variability of the pollutants or pollutant parameters in the POTW effluent (based on chemical-specific information, the type of treatment facility, and types of industrial contributors);

(b) The dilution of the effluent in the receiving water (ratio of effluent flow to receiving stream flow);

(c) Existing controls on point or nonpoint sources, including total maximum daily load calculations for the waterbody segment and the relative contribution of the POTW;

(d) Receiving stream characteristics, including possible or known water quality impairment, and whether the POTW discharges to a water designated as an outstanding natural resource; or

(e) Other considerations (including but not limited to the history of toxic impact and compliance problems at the POTW), which the Executive Secretary determines could cause or contribute to adverse water quality impacts.

(3) For POTWs required under R317-8-3.11(1) or (2) to conduct toxicity testing. POTWs shall use EPA's methods or other established protocols which are scientifically defensible and sufficiently sensitive to detect aquatic toxicity. Such testing must have been conducted since the last UPDES permit reissuance or permit modification under R317-8-5.6(1) whichever occurred later. Prior to conducting toxicity testing, permittees shall contact the Executive Secretary regarding the testing methodology to be used.

(4) All POTWs with approved pretreatment programs shall provide to the Executive Secretary a written technical evaluation of the need to revise local limits.

3.12 PRIMARY INDUSTRY CATEGORIES. Any UPDES permit issued to dischargers in the following categories shall include effluent limitations and a compliance schedule to meet the requirements of the UPDES regulations and Sections 301(b)(2)(A),(C),(D),(E) and (F) of the CWA whether or not applicable effluent limitations guidelines have been promulgated.

(1) Adhesives and sealants
(2) Aluminum forming
(3) Auto and other laundries
(4) Battery manufacturing
(5) Coal mining
(6) Coil coating
(7) Copper forming
(8) Electrical and electronic components
(9) Electroplating
(10) Explosives manufacturing
(11) Foundries
(12) Gum and wood chemicals

(13) Inorganic chemicals manufacturing
(14) Iron and steel manufacturing
(15) Leather tanning and finishing
(16) Mechanical products manufacturing
(17) Nonferrous metals manufacturing
(18) Ore mining
(19) Organic chemicals manufacturing
(20) Paint and ink formulation
(21) Pesticides
(22) Petroleum refining
(23) Pharmaceutical preparations
(24) Photographic equipment and supplies
(25) Plastics processing
(26) Plastic and synthetic materials manufacturing
(27) Porcelain enameling
(28) Printing and publishing
(29) Pulp and paper mills
(30) Rubber processing
(31) Soap and detergent manufacturing
(32) Steam electric power plants
(33) Textile mills
(34) Timber products processing

3.13 UPDES PERMIT APPLICATION TESTING REQUIREMENTS

TABLE I
Testing Requirements for Organic Toxic Pollutants
by Industrial Category for Existing Dischargers

	GC/MS fraction (1)			
Industrial category	Volatile	Acid	Base/	Pesticide
Adhesives and sealants	(*)	(*)	(*)	...
Aluminum Forming	(*)	(*)	(*)	...
Auto and Other Laundry	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Battery Manufacturing	(*)	...	(*)	...
Coal Mining	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Coil Coating	(*)	(*)	(*)	...
Copper Forming	(*)	(*)	(*)	...
Electric and Electronic Components	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Electroplating	(*)	(*)	(*)	...
Explosives Manufacturing	...	(*)	(*)	...
Foundries	(*)	(*)	(*)	...
Gum and Wood Chemicals	(*)	(*)	(*)	...
Inorganic Chemicals Manufacturing	(*)	(*)	(*)	...
Iron and Steel Manufacturing	(*)	(*)	(*)	...
Leather Tanning and Finishing	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Mechanical Products Manufacturing	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Nonferrous Metals Manufacturing	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Ore Mining	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Organic Chemicals Manufacturing	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Paint and Ink Formulation	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Pesticides	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Petroleum Refining	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Pharmaceutical Preparations	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Photographic Equipment and Supplies	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Plastic and Synthetic Materials Manufacturing	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Plastic Processing	(*)	...	...	...
Porcelain Enameling	(*)	...	(*)	(*)
Printing and Publishing	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Pulp and Paper Mills	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Rubber Processing	(*)	(*)	(*)	...
Soap and Detergent Manufacturing	(*)	(*)	(*)	...
Steam Electric Power Plant	(*)	(*)	(*)	...
Textile Mills	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Timber Products Processing	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)

(1) The toxic pollutants in each fraction are listed in Table II.

* Testing required.

TABLE II
Organic Toxic Pollutants in Each of Four Fractions in Analysis
by Gas Chromatography/Mass Spectroscopy (GC/MS)

(a) VOLATILES

1V acrolein
2V acrylonitrile
3V benzene
4V bis (chloromethyl) ether
5V bromoform
6V carbon tetrachloride
7V chlorobenzene
8V chlorodibromomethane
9V chloroethane
10V 2-chloroethylvinyl ether
11V chloroform
12V dichlorobromomethane
13V dichlorodifluoromethane
14V 1,1-dichloroethane
15V 1,2-dichloroethane
16V 1,1-dichloroehtylene
17V 1,2-dichloropropane
18V 1,2-dichloropropylene
19V ethylbenzene
20V metyl bromide
21V methyl chloride
22V methoylene chloride
23V 1,1,2,2-tetrachloroethane
24V tetrachloroethylene
25V toluene
26V 1,2-trans-dichloroethylene
27V 1,1,1-trichloroethane
28V 1,1,2-trichloroethane
29V trichloroethylene
30V trichlorofluoromethane
31V vinyl chloride

(b) ACID COMPOUNDS

1A 2-chlorophenol
2A 2,4-dichlorophenol
3A 2.4-dimethylphenol
4A 4,6-dinitro-o-cresol
5A 2,4-dinitrophenol
6A 2-nitrophenol
7A 4-nitrophenol
8A p-chloro-m-cresol
9A pentachlorophenol
10A phenol
11A 2,4,6-trichlorophenol

(c) BASE/NEUTRAL

1B acenaphthene
2B acenaphthylene
3B anthracene
4B benzidine
5B benzo(a)anthracene
6B benzo(a)pyrene
7B 3,4-benzofluoranthene
8B benzo(ghi)perylene
9B benzo(k)fluoranthene
10B bis(2-chloroethoxy)methane
11B bis(2-chloroethyl)ether
12B bis(2-chloroethyl)ether
13B bis(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate
14B 4-bromophenyl phenyl ether
15B butylbenzyl phthalate
16B 2-chloronaphthanlene
17B 4-chlorophenyl phenyl ether
18B chrysene
19B dibenxo(a,h)anthracene
20B 1,2-dichlorobenzen
21B 1,3-dichlorobenzene
22B 1,4-dichlorobenzene
23B 3,3-dichlorobenzidine
24B diethyl phthalate
25B dimethyl phtahalate
26B di-n-butyl phthalate
27B 2,4-dinitrotoluene
28B 2,6-dinitrotoluene
29B di-n-octyl phthalate
30B 1,2-diphenylhydrazine (as azobenzene)
31B fluoranthene
32B fluorene
33B hexachlorobenzene
34B hexachlorobutadiene
35B hexachlorocyclopentadiene

36B hexachloroethane
37B indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene
38B isophorone
39B naphthalene
40B nitrobenzene
41B N-nitrosodimethylamine
42B N-nitrosodi-n-propylamine
43B N-nitrosodiphenylamine
44B phenanthrene
45B pyrene
46B 1,2,4-trichlorobenzene

(d) PESTICIDES

1P aldrin
2P alpha-BHC
3P beta-BHC
4P gamma-BHC
5P delta-BHC
6P chlordane
7P 4,4'-DDT
8P 4,4'-DDE
10P dieldrin
11P alpha-endosulfan
12P beta-endosulfan
13P endosulfan sulfate
14P endrin
15P endrin aldehyde
16P heptachlor
17P heptachlor epoxide
18P PCB-1242
19P PCB-1254
20P PCB-1221
21P PCB-1232
22P PCB-1248
23P PCB-1260
24P PCB-1016
25P toxaphene

TABLE III
Other Toxic Pollutants; Metals, Cyanide, and Total Phenols

(a) Antimony, Total
(b) Arsenic, Total
(c) Beryllium, total
(d) Cadmium, Total
(e) Chromium, Total
(f) Copper, Total
(g) Lead, Total
(h) Mercury, Total
(i) Nickel, Total
(j) Selenium, Total
(k) Silver, Total
(l) Thallium, Total
(m) Zinc, Total
(n) Cyanide, Total
(o) Phenols, Total

TABLE IV
Conventional and Nonconventional Pollutants Required to be Tested
by Existing Dischargers if Expected to be Present

(a) Bromide
(b) Chlorine, Total Residual
(c) Color
(d) E. coli
(e) Fluoride
(f) Nitrate-Nitrite
(g) Nitrogen, total Organic
(h) Oil and Grease
(i) Phosphorus, Total
(j) Radioactivity
(k) Sulfate
(l) Sulfide
(m) Sulfite
(n) Surfactants
(o) Aluminum, Total
(p) Barium, Total
(q) Boron, Total
(r) Cobalt, Total
(s) Iron, Total
(t) Magnesium, Total
(u) Molybdenum, Total
(v) Manganese, Total
(w) Tin, Total
(x) Titanium, Total

TABLE V
28 Toxic Pollutants and Hazardous Substances Required to be Identified by Existing Dischargers if Expected to be Present

(a) Toxic Pollutants - Asbestos
(b) Hazardous Substances

1. Acetaldhyde
2. Allyl alcohol
3. Allyl chloride
4. Amyl acetate
5. Aniline
6. Benzonitrile
7. Benzyl chloride
8. Butyl acetate
9. Butylamine
10. Captan
11. Carbaryl
12. Carbofuran
13. Carbon disulfide
14. Chlorpyrifos
15. Coumaphos
16. Cresol
17. Crotonaldehyde
18. Cyclohexane
19. 2,4-D(2.4-Dichlorophenoxy acetic acid)
20. Diazinon
21. Dicamba
22. Dichlobenil
23. Dichlone
24. 2,2-Dichloropropionic acid
25. Dichlorvos
26. Diethyl amine
27. Dimethyl amine
28. Dintrobenzene
29. Diquat
30. Disulfoton
31. Diuron
32. Epichloropydrin
33. Ethanolamine
34. Ethion
35. Ethylene diamine
36. Ethylene dibromide
37. Formaldehyde
38. Furfural
39. Guthion
40. Isoprene
41. Isopropanolamine dodecylbenzenesulfonate
42. Kelthane
43. Kepone
44. Malathion
45. Mercaptodimethur
46. Methoxychlor
47. Methyl mercaptan
48. Methyl methacrylate
49. Methyl parathion
50. Mevinphos
51. Mexacarbate
52. Monoethyl amine
53. Monomethyl amine
54. Naled
55. Npathenic acid
56. Nitrotouene
57. Parathion
58. Phenolsulfanante
59. Phosgene
60. Propargite
61. Propylene oxide
62. Pyrethrins
63. Quinoline
64. Resorconol
65. Strontium
66. Strychnine
67. Styrene
68. 2,4,5-T(2,4,5-Trichlorophenoxy acetic acid)
69. TDE(Tetrachlorodiphenylethane)
70. 2,4,5-TP (2-(2,4,5 - trichlorophenoxy)propanic acid)
71. Trichlorofan
72. Triethanolamine dodecylbenzenesulfonate
73. Triethylamine
74. Trimethylamine
75. Uranium
76. Vanadium
77. Vinyl Acetate
78. Xylene
79. Xylenol

80. Zirconium

3.14 APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS OF R317-8-3.8(7)(E) SUSPENDED FOR CERTAIN CATEGORIES AND SUBCATEGORIES OF PRIMARY INDUSTRIES. The application requirements of R317-8-3.5 (7)(c) are suspended for the following categories and subcategories of the primary industries listed in R317-8-3.11:

(1) Coal mines.

(2) Testing and reporting for all four organic fractions in the Greige Mills subcategory of the Textile Mills Industry and testing and reporting for the pesticide fraction in all other subcategories of this industrial category.

(3) Testing and reporting for the volatile, base/neutral and pesticide fractions in the Base and Precious Metals Subcategory of the Ore Mining and Dressing industry, and testing and reporting for all four fractions in all other subcategories of this industrial category.

(4) Testing and reporting for all four GC/MS fractions in the Porcelain Enameling industry.

(5) Testing and reporting for the pesticide fraction in the Tall Oil Resin Subcategory and Rosin-Based Derivatives Subcategory of the Gum and Wood Chemicals industry and testing and reporting for the pesticide and base/neutral fractions in all other subcategories of this industrial category.

(6) Testing and reporting for the pesticide fraction in the Leather Tanning and Finishing, Paint and Ink Formulation, and Photographic Supplies industrial categories.

(7) Testing and reporting for the acid, base/neutral and pesticide fractions in the Petroleum Refining industrial category.

(8) Testing and reporting for the pesticide fraction in the Papergrade Sulfite subcategories of the Pulp and Paper industry; testing and reporting for the base/neutral and pesticide fractions in the following subcategories: Deink Dissolving Kraft and Paperboard from Waste Paper; testing and reporting for the volatile, base/neutral and pesticide fractions in the following subcategories: BCT Bleached Kraft, Semi-Chemical and Nonintegrated Fine Papers; and testing and reporting for the acid, base/neutral, and pesticide fractions in the following subcategories: Fine Bleached Kraft, Dissolving, Sulfite Pulp, Groundwood-Fine Papers, Market Bleached Kraft, Tissue from Wastepaper, and Nonintegrated-Tissue Papers.

(9) Testing and reporting for the base/neutral fraction in the Once-Through Cooling Water, Fly Ash and Bottom Ash Transport Water process wastestreams of the Steam Electric Power Plant industrial category.

R317-8-4. Permit Conditions.

4.1 CONDITIONS APPLICABLE TO ALL UPDES PERMITS. The following conditions apply to all UPDES permits. Additional conditions applicable to UPDES permits are in R317-8-4.1(15). All conditions applicable shall be incorporated into the permits either expressly or by reference. If incorporated by reference, a specific citation to these regulations must be given in the permit. In addition to conditions required in all UPDES permits, the Executive Secretary will establish conditions as required on a case-by-case basis under R317-8-4.2 and R317-8-5.

(1) Duty to Comply.

(a) General requirement. The permittee must comply with all conditions of the UPDES permit. Any permit noncompliance is a violation of the Utah Water Quality Act, as amended and is grounds for enforcement action; permit termination, revocation and reissuance or modification; or denial of a permit renewal application.

(b) Specific duties.

1. The permittee shall comply with effluent standards or prohibitions for toxic pollutants and with standards for sewage sludge use or disposal established by the State within the time provided in the regulations that establish these standards or prohibitions, even if the permit has not yet been modified to incorporate the requirement (40 CFR, 129).

2. The Utah Water Quality Act, in 19-5-115, provides that any person who violates the Act, or any permit, rule, or order adopted under it is subject to a civil penalty not to exceed $10,000 per day of such violation. Any person who willfully or with gross negligence violates the Act, or any permit, rule or order adopted under it is subject to a fine of not more than $25,000 per day of violation. Any person convicted under 19-5-115 a second time shall be punished by a fine not exceeding $50,000 per day.

(2) Duty to Reapply. If the permittee wishes to continue an activity regulated by this permit after the expiration date of the permit, the permittee shall apply for and obtain a new permit as required in R317-8-3.1.

(3) Need to Halt or Reduce Activity Not a Defense. It shall not be a defense for a permittee in an enforcement action that it would have been necessary to halt or reduce the permitted activity in order to maintain compliance with the conditions of this permit. (Upon reduction, loss, or failure of the treatment facility, the permittee, to the extent necessary to maintain compliance with the permit, shall control production of all discharges until the facility is restored or an alternative method of treatment is provided.)

(4) Duty to Mitigate. The permittee shall take all reasonable steps to minimize or prevent any discharge or sludge use or disposal in violation of the UPDES permit which has a reasonable likelihood of adversely affecting human health or the environment.

(5) Proper Operation and Maintenance. The permittee shall at all times properly operate and maintain all facilities and systems of treatment and control and related appurtenances which are installed or used by the permittee to achieve compliance with the conditions of the permit. Proper operation and maintenance also includes adequate laboratory controls and appropriate quality assurance procedures. This provision requires the operation of backup or auxiliary facilities or similar systems which are installed by a permittee only when the operation is necessary to achieve compliance with the conditions of the permit.

(6) Permit Actions. The permit may be modified, revoked and reissued, or terminated for cause. The filing of a request by the permittee for a permit modification, revocation and reissuance, or termination, or a notification of planned changes or anticipated noncompliance, does not stay any permit condition.

(7) Property Rights. This permit does not convey any property rights of any kind, or any exclusive privilege.

(8) Duty to Provide Information. The permittee shall furnish to the Executive Secretary, within a reasonable time, any information which the Executive Secretary may request to determine whether cause exists for modifying, revoking and reissuing, or terminating the permit or to determine compliance with this permit. The permittee shall also furnish to the Executive Secretary, upon request, copies of records required to be kept by the permit.

(9) Inspection and Entry. The permittee shall allow the Executive Secretary, or an authorized representative, including an authorized contractor acting as a representative of the Executive Secretary) upon the presentation of credentials and other documents as may be required by law to:

(a) Enter upon the permittee's premises where a regulated facility or activity is located or conducted, or where records must be kept under the conditions of the permit;

(b) Have access to and copy, at reasonable times, any records that must be kept under the conditions of the permit;

(c) Inspect at reasonable times any facilities, equipment, including monitoring and control equipment, practices or operations regulated or required under the permit; and

(d) Sample or monitor at reasonable times for the purposes of assuring UPDES program compliance or as otherwise authorized by the Utah Water Quality Act any substances or parameters, or practices at any location.

(10) Monitoring and records.

(a) Samples and measurements taken for the purpose of monitoring shall be representative of the monitored activity.

(b) The permittee shall retain records of all monitoring information, including all calibration and maintenance records and all original strip chart recordings for continuous monitoring instrumentation, copies of all reports required by the permit, and records of all data used to complete the application for the permit for a period of at least three (3) years from the date of the sample, measurement, report or application. This period may be extended by request of the Executive Secretary at any time. Records of monitoring information required by this permit related to the permittee's sewage sludge use and disposal activities, shall be retained for a period of at least five years or longer as required by State promulgated standards for sewage sludge use and disposal.

(c) Records of monitoring information shall include:

1. The date, exact place, and time of sampling or measurements;

2. The individual(s) who performed the sampling or measurements;

3. The date(s) and times analyses were performed;

4. The individual(s) who performed the analyses;

5. The analytical techniques or methods used; and

6. The results of such analyses.

(d) Monitoring shall be conducted according to test procedures approved under 40 CFR 136 or in the case of sludge use or disposal, approved under 40 CFR 136 unless otherwise specified in State standards for sludge use or disposal, unless other test procedures, approved by EPA under 40 CFR 136, have been specified in the permit.

(e) Section 19-5-115(3) of the Utah Water Quality Act provides that any person who falsifies, tampers with, or knowingly renders inaccurate any monitoring device or method required to be maintained under the permit shall, upon conviction, be punished by a fine not exceeding $10,000 or imprisonment for not more than six months or by both.

(11) Signatory Requirement. All applications, reports, or information submitted to the Executive Secretary shall be signed and certified as indicated in R317-8-3.4. The Utah Water Quality Act provides that any person who knowingly makes any false statements, representations, or certifications in any record or other document submitted or required to be maintained under the permit, including monitoring reports or reports of compliance or non-compliance shall, upon conviction, be punished by a fine of not more than $10,000 or by imprisonment for not more than six months or by both.

(12) Reporting Requirements.

(a) Planned changes. The permittee shall give notice to the Executive Secretary as soon as possible of any planned physical alteration or additions to the permitted facility. Notice is required only when:

1. The alteration or addition to a permitted facility may meet one of the criteria for determining whether a facility is a new source in R317-8-8; or

2. The alteration or addition could significantly change the nature or increase the quantity of pollutants discharged. This notification applies to pollutants which are subject neither to effluent limitations in the permit nor to notification requirements under R317-8-4.1(15).

3. The alteration or addition results in a significant change in the permittee's sludge use or disposal practices, and such alteration, addition, or change may justify the application of permit conditions that are different from or absent in the existing permit, including notification of additional use or disposal sites not reported during the permit application process or not reported pursuant to an approved land application plan.

(b) Anticipated Noncompliance. The permittee shall give advance notice to the Executive Secretary of any planned changes in the permitted facility or activity which may result in noncompliance with permit requirements.

(c) Transfers. The permit is not transferable to any person except after notice to the Executive Secretary. The Executive Secretary may require modification on and reissuance of the permit to change the name of the permittee and incorporate such other requirements as may be necessary under the Utah Water Quality Act, as amended. (In some cases, modification, revocation and reissuance is mandatory.)

(d) Monitoring reports. Monitoring results shall be reported at the intervals specified elsewhere in the permit. Monitoring results shall be reported as follows:

1. Monitoring results must be reported on a Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR) or forms provided or specified by the Executive Secretary for reporting results of monitoring of sludge use or disposal practices.

2. If the permittee monitors any pollutant more frequently than required by the permit, using test procedures approved under 40 CFR 136 or the in the case of sludge use or disposal, approved under 40 CFR 136 unless otherwise specified in State standards for sludge use and disposal, or as specified in the permit according to procedures approved by EPA, the results of this monitoring shall be included in the calculation and reporting of the data submitted in the DMR or sludge reporting form specified by the Executive Secretary.

3. Calculations for all limitations which require averaging of measurements shall utilize an arithmetic mean unless otherwise specified in the permit.

(e) Compliance Schedules. Reports of compliance or noncompliance with, or any progress report on, interim and final requirements contained in any compliance schedule of the permit shall be submitted no later than fourteen days following each scheduled date.

(f) Twenty-Four Hour Reporting. The permittee shall (orally) report any noncompliance which may endanger health or the environment. Any information shall be provided orally within twenty-four hours from the time the permittee becomes aware of the circumstances. (The report shall be in addition to and not in lieu of any other reporting requirement applicable to the noncompliance.) A written submission shall also be provided within five days of the time the permittee becomes aware of the circumstances. The written submission shall contain a description of the noncompliance and its cause; the period of noncompliance, including exact dates and times, and if the noncompliance has not been corrected, the anticipated time it is expected to continue; and steps taken or planned to reduce, eliminate, and prevent recurrence of the noncompliance. (The Executive Secretary may waive the written report on a case-by-case basis if the oral report has been received within twenty-four hours.) The following shall be included as events which must be reported within twenty-four hours:

1. Any unanticipated bypass which exceeds any effluent limitation in the permit, as indicated in R317-8-4.1(13).

2. Any upset which exceeds any effluent limitation in the permit.

3. Violation of a maximum daily discharge limitation for any of the pollutants listed by the Executive Secretary in the permit to be reported within twenty-four hours, as indicated in R317-8-4.2(7). The Executive Secretary may waive the written report on a case-by-case basis if the oral report has been received within 24 hours.

(g) Other NonCompliance. The permittee shall report all instances of noncompliance not reported under R317-8-4.1(12) (d), (e), and (f) at the time monitoring reports are submitted. The reports shall contain the information listed in R317-8-

4.1(12)(f).

(h) Other Information. Where the permittee becomes aware that it failed to submit any relevant fact in a permit application, or submitted incorrect information in its permit application or in any report to the Executive Secretary, it shall promptly submit such facts or information.

(13) Occurrence of a Bypass.

(a) Definitions.

1. "Bypass" means the intentional diversion of waste streams from any portion of a treatment facility.

2. "Severe property damage" means substantial physical damage to property, damage to the treatment facilities which causes them to become inoperable, or substantial and permanent loss of natural resources which can reasonably be expected to occur in the absence of a bypass. Severe property damage does not mean economic loss caused by delays in production.

(b) Bypass Not Exceeding Limitations. The permittee may allow any bypass to occur which does not cause effluent limitations to be exceeded, but only if it also is for essential maintenance to assure efficient operation. These bypasses are not subject to R317-8-4.1(13)(c) or (d).

(c) Prohibition of Bypass.

1. Bypass is prohibited, and the Executive Secretary may take enforcement action against a permittee for bypass, unless:

a. Bypass was unavoidable to prevent loss of human life, personal injury, or severe property damage;

b. There were no feasible alternatives to the bypass, such as the use of auxiliary treatment facilities, retention of untreated wastes, or maintenance during normal periods of equipment downtime. This condition is not satisfied if adequate backup equipment should have been installed in the exercise of reasonable engineering judgement to prevent a bypass which occurred during normal periods of equipment downtime or preventive maintenance, and

c. The permittee submitted notices as required under R317-8-4.1(13)(d).

2. The Executive Secretary may approve an anticipated bypass, after considering its adverse effects, if the Executive Secretary determines that it will meet the three conditions listed in R317-8-4.1(13)(c) a, b, and c.

(d) Notice.

1. Anticipated bypass. Except as provided in R317-8-4.1(13)(b) and R317-8-4.1(13)(d)2, if the permittee knows in advance of the need for a bypass, it shall submit prior notice, at least 90 days before the date of bypass. The prior notice shall include the following unless otherwise waived by the Executive Secretary:

a. Evaluation of alternatives to the bypass, including cost-benefit analysis containing an assessment of anticipated resource damages;

b. A specific bypass plan describing the work to be performed including scheduled dates and times. The permittee must notify the Executive Secretary in advance of any changes to the bypass schedule;

c. Description of specific measures to be taken to minimize environmental and public health impacts;

d. A notification plan sufficient to alert all downstream users, the public and others reasonably expected to be impacted by the bypass;

e. A water quality assessment plan to include sufficient monitoring of the receiving water before, during and following the bypass to enable evaluation of public health risks and environmental impacts; and

f. Any additional information requested by the Executive Secretary.

2. Emergency Bypass. Where ninety days advance notice is not possible, the permittee must notify the Executive Secretary, and the Director of the Department of Natural Resources, as soon as it becomes aware of the need to bypass and provide to the Executive Secretary the information in R317-8-4.1(13)(d)1.a. through f. to the extent practicable.

3. Unanticipated bypass. The permittee shall submit notice of an unanticipated bypass to the Executive Secretary as required in R317-8-4.1(12)(f). The permittee shall also immediately notify the Director of the Department of Natural Resources , the public and downstream users and shall implement measures to minimize impacts to public health and the environment to the extent practicable.

(14) Occurrence of an Upset.

(a) Definition. "Upset" means an exceptional incident in which there is unintentional and temporary noncompliance with technology-based permit effluent limitations because of factors beyond the reasonable control of the permittee. An upset does not include noncompliance to the extent caused by operational error, improperly designed treatment facilities, inadequate treatment facilities, lack of preventive maintenance, or careless or improper operation.

(b) Effect of an Upset. An upset constitutes an affirmative defense to an action brought for noncompliance with such technology-based permit effluent limitations if the requirements of R317-8-4.1(14)(c) are met. No determination made during administrative review of claims that noncompliance was caused by upset, and before an action for noncompliance, if final administrative action subject to judicial review.

(c) Conditions Necessary for a Demonstration of Upset. A permittee who wishes to establish the affirmative defense of upset shall demonstrate through properly signed, contemporaneous operating logs, or other relevant evidence that:

1. An upset occurred and that the permittee can identify the specific cause(s) of the upset;

2. The permitted facility was at the time being properly operated; and

3. The permittee submitted notice of the upset as required in R317-8-4.1(12)(f) (twenty-four hour notice).

4. The permittee complied with any remedial measures required under R317-8-4.1(4).

(d) Burden of Proof. In any enforcement proceeding the permittee seeking to establish the occurrence of an upset has the burden of proof.

(15) Additional Conditions Applicable to Specified Categories of UPDES Permits. The following conditions, in addition to others set forth in these regulations apply to all UPDES permits within the categories specified below:

(a) Existing Manufacturing, Commercial, Mining, and Silvicultural Dischargers. In addition to the reporting requirements under R317-8-4.1(12),(13), and (14), any existing manufacturing, commercial, mining, and silvicultural discharger shall notify the Executive Secretary as soon as it knows or has reason to believe:

1. That any activity has occurred or will occur which would result in the discharge, on a routine or frequent basis, of any toxic pollutant which is not limited in the permit, if that discharge will exceed the highest of the following "notification levels":

a. One hundred micrograms per liter (100 ug/l);

b. Two hundred micrograms per liter (200 ug/l) for acrolein and acrylonitrile; five hundred micrograms per liter (500 ug/l) for 2,4 dinitrophenol and for 2-methyl-4,6-dinitrophenol; and one milligram per liter (1 mg/l) for antimony;

c. Five times the maximum concentration value reported for that pollutant in the permit application in accordance with R317-8-3.5(7) or (10).

d. The level established by the Executive Secretary in accordance with R317-8-4.2(6).

2. That any activity has occurred or will occur which would result in any discharge on a non-routine or infrequent basis of a toxic pollutant which is not limited in the permit, if

that discharge will exceed the highest of the following "notification levels":

a. Five hundred micrograms per liter (500 ug/l).

b. One milligram per liter (1 mg/l) for antimony.

c. Ten times the maximum concentration value reported for that pollutant in the permit application in accordance with R317-8-3.5(9).

d. The level established by the Executive Secretary in accordance with R317-8-4.2(6).

(b) POTWs. POTWs shall provide adequate notice to the Executive Secretary of the following:

1. Any new introduction of pollutants into that POTW from an indirect discharger which would be subject to the UPDES regulations if it were directly discharging those pollutants; and

2. Any substantial change in the volume or character of pollutants being introduced into that POTW by a source introducing pollutants into the POTW at the time of issuance of the permit.

3. For purposes of this paragraph, adequate notice shall include information on the quality and quantity of effluent introduced into the POTW; and any anticipated impact of the change on the quantity or quality of effluent to be discharged from the POTW.

(c) Municipal separate storm sewer systems. The operator of a large or medium municipal separate storm sewer system or a municipal separate storm sewer that has been determined by the Executive Secretary under R317-8-3.9(1)(a)5 of this part must submit an annual report by the anniversary of the date of the issuance of the permit for such system. The report shall include:

1. The status of implementing the components of the storm water management program that are established as permit conditions;

2. Proposed changes to the storm water management programs that are established as permit conditions. Such proposed changes shall be consistent with R317-8-3.9(3)(b)3; and

3. Revisions, if necessary, to the assessment of controls and the fiscal analysis reported in the permit application under R317-8-3.9(3)(b)4 and 3.9(3)(b)5;

4. A summary of data, including monitoring data, that is accumulated throughout the reporting year;

5. Annual expenditures and budget for year following each annual report;

6. A summary describing the number and nature of enforcement actions, inspections, and public education programs;

7. Identification of water quality improvements or degradation.

(d) Concentrated animal feeding operations (CAFOs). Any permit issued to a CAFO must include:

1. Requirements to develop and implement a Comprehensive Nutrient Management Plan (CNMP). At a minimum, a CNMP must include best management practices and procedures necessary to implement applicable effluent limitations and standards. Operations defined as CAFOs before (insert rule effective date here) and permitted prior to December 31, 2006 must have their CNMPs developed and implemented by December 31, 2006. CAFOs that seek to obtain coverage under a permit after December 31, 2006 and all operations defined as CAFOs after (insert rule effective date here) must have a CNMP developed and implemented upon the date of permit coverage. The CNMP must, to the extent applicable:

a. Ensure adequate storage of manure, litter, and process wastewater, including procedures to ensure proper operation and maintenance of the storage facilities;

b. Ensure proper management of mortalities (i.e., dead animals) to ensure that they are not disposed of in a liquid manure, storm water, or process wastewater storage or treatment system that is not specifically designed to treat animal mortalities;

c. Ensure that clean water is diverted, as appropriate, from the production area;

d. Prevent direct contact of confined animals with waters of the United States;

e. Ensure that chemicals and other contaminants handled on-site are not disposed of in any manure, litter, process wastewater, or storm water storage or treatment system unless specifically designed to treat such chemicals and other contaminants;

f. Identify appropriate site specific conservation practices to be implemented, including as appropriate buffers or equivalent practices, to control runoff of pollutants to waters of the United States;

g. Identify protocols for appropriate testing of manure, litter, process wastewater, and soil;

h. Establish protocols to land apply manure, litter or process wastewater in accordance with site specific nutrient management practices that ensure appropriate agricultural utilization of the nutrients in the manure, litter or process wastewater;

i. Identify specific records that will be maintained to document the implementation and management of the minimum elements described in paragraphs (d)(1)a. through (d)(1)h. of this section; and

j. Include documentation that the CNMP was prepared or approved by a certified nutrient management planner.

2. Recordkeeping requirements.

a. The permittee must create, maintain for five years, and make available to the Director, upon request, the following records:

(i) All applicable records identified pursuant paragraph (d)(1)i. of this section;

(ii) In addition, all CAFOs subject to 40 CFR part 412 must comply with record keeping requirements as specified in 40 CFR 412.37(b) and (c) and 40 CFR 412.47(b) and (c).

b. A copy of the CAFO's site-specific CNMP must be maintained on site and made available to the Director upon request.

3. Requirements relating to transfer of manure or process wastewater to other persons. Prior to transferring manure, litter or process wastewater to other persons, Large CAFOs must provide the recipient of the manure, litter or process wastewater with the most current nutrient analysis. The analysis provided must be consistent with the requirements of 40 CFR part 412. Large CAFOs must retain for five years records of the date, recipient name and address, and approximate amount of manure, litter or process wastewater transferred to another person.

4. Annual reporting requirements for CAFOs. The permittee must submit an annual report to the Director. The annual report must include:

a. The number and type of animals, whether in open confinement or housed under roof (beef cattle, broilers, layers, swine weighing 55 pounds or more, swine weighing less than 55 pounds, mature dairy cows, dairy heifers, veal calves, sheep and lambs, horses, ducks, turkeys, other);

b. Estimated amount of total manure, litter and process wastewater generated by the CAFO in the previous 12 months (tons/gallons);

c. Estimated amount of total manure, litter and process wastewater transferred to other person by the CAFO in the previous 12 months (tons/ gallons);

d. Total number of acres for land application covered by the CNMP developed in accordance with paragraph (d)(1) of this section;

e. Total number of acres under control of the CAFO that were used for land application of manure, litter and process

wastewater in the previous 12 months;

f. Summary of all manure, litter and process wastewater discharges from the production area that have occurred in the previous 12 months, including date, time, and approximate volume; and

g. A statement that the current version of the CAFO's CNMP was developed or approved by a certified nutrient management planner.

4.2 ESTABLISHING PERMIT CONDITIONS. For the purposes of this section, permit conditions include any statutory or regulatory requirement which takes effect prior to the final administrative disposition of a permit. An applicable requirement may be any requirement which takes effect prior to the modification or revocation or reissuance of a permit, to the extent allowed in R317-8-5.6. New or reissued permits, and to the extent allowed under R317-8-5.6, modified or revoked and reissued permits shall incorporate each of the applicable requirements referenced in this section. In addition to the conditions established under R317-8-4.1 each UPDES permit will include conditions on a case by case basis to provide for and ensure compliance with all applicable Utah statutory and regulatory requirements and the following, as applicable:

(1) Technology-based effluent limitations and standards, based on effluent limitations and standards promulgated under Section 19-5-104 of the Utah Water Quality Act or new source performance standards promulgated under Section 19-5-104 of the Utah Water Quality Act, on case-by-case effluent limitations, or a combination of the two in accordance with R317-8-7.1.

(2) Toxic Effluent Standards and Other Effluent Limitations. If any applicable toxic effluent standard or prohibition, including any schedule of compliance specified in such effluent standard or prohibition, is promulgated under Section 307(a) of CWA for a toxic pollutant and that standard or prohibition is more stringent than any limitation on the pollutant in the permit, the Executive Secretary shall institute proceedings under these regulations to modify or revoke and reissue the permit to conform to the toxic effluent standard or prohibition.

(3) Reopener Clause. For any discharger within a primary industry category, as listed in R317-8-3.11, requirements will be incorporated as follows:

(a) On or before June 30, 1981:

1. If applicable standards or limitations have not yet been promulgated, the permit shall include a condition stating that, if an applicable standard or limitation is promulgated and that effluent standard or limitation is more stringent than any effluent limitation in the permit or controls a pollutant not limited in the permit, the permit shall be promptly modified or revoked and reissued to conform to that effluent standard or limitation.

2. If applicable standards or limitations have been promulgated or approved, the permit shall include those standards or limitations.

(b) On or after the statutory deadline set forth in Section 301(b)(2) (A), (C), and (E) of CWA, any permit issued shall include effluent limitations to meet the requirements of Section 301(b)(2) (A), (C), (D), (E), (F), whether or not applicable effluent limitations guidelines have been promulgated or approved. These permits need not incorporate the clause required by R317-8-4.2(3)(a)1.

(c) The Executive Secretary shall promptly modify or revoke and reissue any permit containing the clause required under R317-8-4.2(3)(a)1 to incorporate an applicable effluent standard or limitation which is promulgated or approved after the permit is issued if that effluent standard or limitation is more stringent than any effluent limitation in the permit, or controls a pollutant not limited in the permit.

(d) For any permit issued to a treatment works treating domestic sewage (including sludge-only facilities), the Executive Secretary shall include a reopener clause to incorporate any applicable standard for sewage sludge use or disposal adopted by the State. The Executive Secretary may promptly modify or revoke and reissue any permit containing the reopener clause required by this paragraph if the standard for sewage sludge use or disposal is more stringent than any requirements for sludge use or disposal in the permit, or controls a pollutant or practice not limited in the permit.

(4) Water quality standards and state requirements shall be included as applicable. Any requirements in addition to or more stringent than EPA's effluent limitation guidelines or standards will be included, when necessary to:

(a) Achieve water quality standards established under the Utah Water Quality Act, as amended and regulations promulgated pursuant thereto, including State narrative criteria for water quality.

1. Permit limitations must control all pollutants or pollutant parameters (either conventional, nonconventional, or toxic pollutants) which the Executive Secretary determines are or may be discharged at a level which will cause, have the reasonable potential to cause, or contribute to an excursion above any State water quality standard, including State narrative criteria for water quality.

2. When determining whether a discharge causes, has the reasonable potential to cause, or contributes to an in-stream excursion above a narrative or numeric criteria within a State water quality standard, the Executive Secretary shall use procedures which account for existing controls on point and nonpoint sources of pollution, the variability of the pollutant or pollutant parameter in the effluent, the sensitivity of the species to toxicity testing (when evaluating whole effluent toxicity), and where appropriate, the dilution of the effluent in the receiving water.

3. When the Executive Secretary determines, using the procedures in R317-8-4.2(4)(2), that a discharge causes, has the reasonable potential to cause, or contributes to an in-stream excursion above the allowable ambient concentration of a State numeric criteria within a State water quality standard for an individual pollutant, the permit must contain effluent limits for that pollutant.

4. When the Executive Secretary determines, using the procedures in R317-8-4.2(4)(2), that a discharge causes, has the reasonable potential to cause, or contributes to an in-stream excursion above the numeric criterion for whole effluent toxicity, the permit will contain effluent limits for whole effluent toxicity.

5. Except as provided in R317-8-4.2, when the Executive Secretary determines, using the procedures in R317-8-4.2(4)(2), toxicity testing data, or other information, that a discharge causes, has the reasonable potential to cause, or contributes to an in-stream excursion above a narrative criterion within an applicable State water quality standard, the permit will contain effluent limits for whole effluent toxicity. Limits on whole effluent toxicity are not necessary where the Executive Secretary determines in the fact sheet or statement of basis of the UPDES permit, using the procedures in R317-8-4.2(4)(2), that chemical specific limits for effluent are sufficient to attain and maintain applicable numeric and narrative State water quality standards.

6. Where the State has not established a water quality criterion for a specific chemical pollutant that is present in an effluent at a concentration that causes, has the reasonable potential to cause, or contributes to an excursion above a narrative criterion within an applicable State water quality standard the Executive Secretary will establish effluent limits using one or more of the following options:

a. Establish effluent limits using a calculated numeric water quality criterion for the pollutant which the Executive Secretary determines will attain and maintain applicable narrative water quality criteria and will fully protect the designated use. Such a criterion may be derived using a

proposed State criterion, or an explicit State policy or regulation interpreting its narrative water quality criteria supplemented with other relevant information which may include: EPA's Water Quality Standards Handbook, October 1983, risk assessment data, exposure data, information about the pollutant from the Food and Drug Administration, and current EPA criteria documents:

b. Establish effluent limits on a case-by-case basis, using EPA's water quality criteria, published under section 307(a) of the CWA, supplemented where necessary by other relevant information; or

c. Establish effluent limitations on an indicator parameter for the pollutant of concern, provided:

(i) The permit identifies which pollutants are intended to be controlled by the use of the effluent limitations;

(ii) The fact sheet as required by .4 sets forth the basis for the limit, including a finding that compliance with the effluent limit on the indicator parameter will result in controls on the pollutant of concern which are sufficient to attain and maintain applicable water quality standards;

(iii) The permit requires all effluent and ambient monitoring necessary to show that during the term of the permit the limit on the indicator parameter continues to attain and maintain applicable water quality standards; and

(iv) The permit contains a reopener clause allowing the Executive Secretary to modify or revoke and reissue the permit if the limits on the indicator parameter no longer attain and maintain applicable water quality standards.

7. When developing water quality-based effluent limits under this paragraph the Executive Secretary shall ensure that:

a. The level of water quality to be achieved by limits on point sources established under this paragraph is derived from, and complies with all applicable water quality standards; and

b. Effluent limits developed to protect a narrative water quality criterion, a numeric water quality criterion, or both, are consistent with the assumptions and requirements of any available wasteload allocation for the discharge prepared by the State and approved by EPA pursuant to 40 CFR 130.7.

(b) Attain or maintain a specified water quality through water quality related effluent limits established under the Utah Water Quality Act;

(c) Conform to applicable water quality requirements when the discharge affects a state other than Utah;

(d) Incorporate any more stringent limitations, treatment standards, or schedule of compliance requirements established under federal or state law or regulations.

(e) Ensure consistency with the requirements of any Utah Water Quality Management Plan approved by EPA.

(f) Incorporate alternative effluent limitations or standards where warranted by "fundamentally different factors," under R317-8-7.3.

(5) Technology-based Controls for Toxic Pollutants. Limitations established under R317-8-4.2 (1), (2), or (4) to control pollutants meeting the criteria listed in R317-8-4.2(5)(a) will be included in the permit, if applicable. Limitations will be established in accordance with R317-8-4.2(5)(6). An explanation of the development of these limitations will be included in the fact sheet under R317-8-6.4.

(a) Limitations will control all toxic pollutants which:

1. The Executive Secretary determines, based on information reported in a permit application under R317-8-3.5(7) and (10), or in a notification under R317-8-4.1(15)(a) of this regulation or on other information, are or may be discharged at a level greater than the level which can be achieved by the technology-based treatment requirements appropriate to the permittee under R317-8-7.1(3)(a),(b) and (c).

2. The discharger does or may use or manufacture as an intermediate or final product or byproduct.

(b) The requirement that the limitations control the pollutants meeting the criteria of paragraph (a) of this subsection will be satisfied by:

1. Limitations on those pollutants; or

2. Limitations on other pollutants which, in the judgment of the Executive Secretary, will provide treatment of the pollutants under paragraph (a) of this subsection to the levels required by R317-8-7.1(3)(a), (b) and (c).

(6) Notification Level. A "notification level" which exceeds the notification level of R317-8-4.1(15) upon a petition from the permittee or on the Executive Secretary's initiative will be incorporated as a permit condition, if applicable. This new notification level may not exceed the level which can be achieved by the technology-based treatment requirements appropriate to the permittee under R317-8-7.1(3).

(7) Twenty-Four (24) Hour Reporting. Pollutants for which the permittee will report violations of maximum daily discharge limitations under R317-8-4.1(12)(f) shall be listed in the permit. This list will include any toxic pollutant or hazardous substance, or any pollutant specifically identified as the method to control a toxic pollutant or hazardous substance.

(8) Monitoring Requirements. The permit will incorporate, as applicable in addition to R317-8-4.1(12) the following monitoring requirements:

(a) To assure compliance with permit limitations, requirements to monitor;

1. The mass, or other measurement specified in the permit, for each pollutant limited in the permit;

2. The volume of effluent discharged from each outfall;

3. Other measurements as appropriate, including pollutants in internal waste streams under R317-8-4.3(8); pollutants in intake water for net limitations under R317-8-4.3(7); frequency and rate of discharge for noncontinuous discharges under R317-8-4.3(5); pollutants subject to notification requirements under R317-8-4.1(15)(a); and pollutants in sewage sludge or other monitoring as specified in State rules for sludge use or disposal or as determined to be necessary pursuant to R317-8-2.1.

4. According to test procedures approved under 40 CFR Part 136 for the analyses of pollutants having approved methods under the federal regulation, and according to a test procedure specified in the permit for pollutants with no approved methods.

(b) Except as provided in paragraphs (8)(d) and (8)(e) of this section, requirements to report monitoring results shall be established on a case-by-case basis with a frequency dependent on the nature and effect of the sewage sludge use or disposal practice; minimally this shall be a specified in R317-8-1.10(8) (where applicable), but in no case less than once a year.

(c) Requirements to report monitoring results for storm water discharges associated with industrial activity which are subject to an effluent limitation guideline shall be established on a case-by-case basis with a frequency dependent on the nature and effect of the discharge, but in no case less than once a year.

(d) Requirements to report monitoring results for storm water discharges associated with industrial activity (other than those addressed in paragraph (c)above) shall be established on a case-by-case basis with a frequency dependent on the nature and effect of the discharge. At a minimum, a permit for such a discharge must require;

1. The discharger to conduct an annual inspection of the facility site to identify areas contributing to a storm water discharge associated with industrial activity and evaluate whether measures to reduce pollutant loadings identified in a storm water pollution prevention plan are adequate and properly implemented in accordance with the terms of the permit or whether additional control measures are needed;

2. The discharger to maintain for a period of three years a record summarizing the results of the inspection and a certification that the facility is in compliance with the plan and the permit, and identifying any incidents of non-compliance;

3. Such report and certification be signed in accordance

with R317-8-3.4; and

4. Permits for storm water discharges associated with industrial activity from inactivite mining operations may, where annual inspections are impracticable, require certification once every three years by a Registered Professional Engineer that the facility is in compliance with the permit, or alternative requirements.

(e) Permits which do not require the submittal of monitoring result reports at least annually shall require that the permittee report all instances of noncompliance not reported under R317-8-4.1(12)(a),(d),(e), and (f) at least annually.

(9) Pretreatment Program for POTWs. If applicable to the facility the permit will incorporate as a permit condition, requirements for POTWs to:

(a) Identify, in terms of character and volume of pollutants, any significant indirect dischargers into the POTW subject to pretreatment standards under the UPDES regulations.

(b) Submit a local program when required by and in accordance with R317-8-8.10 to assure compliance with pretreatment standards to the extent applicable in the UPDES regulations. The local program will be incorporated into the permit as described in R317-8-8.10. The program shall require all indirect dischargers to the POTW to comply with the applicable reporting requirements.

(c) For POTWs which are "sludge-only facilities", a requirement to develop a pretreatment program under R317-8-8 when the Executive Secretary determines that a pretreatment program is necessary to assure compliance with State rules governing sludge use or disposal.

(10) Best management practices shall be included as a permit condition, as applicable, to control or abate the discharge of pollutants when:

(a) Authorized under the Utah Water Quality Act as amended and the UPDES rule for the control of toxic pollutants and hazardous substances from ancillary activities;

(b) Numeric effluent limitations are infeasible, or

(c) The practices are reasonably necessary to achieve effluent limitations and standards or to carry out the purposes and intent of the Utah Water Quality Act, as amended.

(11) Reissued Permits.

(a) Except as provided in R317-8-4.2(11)(b), when a permit is renewed or reissued, interim limitations, standards or conditions must be at least as stringent as the final limitations, standards, or conditions in the previous permit unless the circumstances on which the previous permit was based have materially and substantially changed since the time the permit was issued and would constitute cause for permit modification or revocation and reissuance under R317-8-5.6.

(b) In the case of effluent limitations established on the basis of Section 19-5-104 of the Utah Water Quality Act, a permit may not be renewed, reissued, or modified on the basis of effluent guidelines promulgated by EPA under section 304(b) of the CWA subsequent to the original issuance of such permit, to contain effluent limitations which are less stringent than the comparable effluent limitations in the previous permit.

(c) Exceptions--A permit with respect to which R317-8-4.2(11)(b) applies may be renewed, reissued or modified to contain a less stringent effluent limitation applicable to a pollutant, if--

1. Material and substantial alterations or additions to the permitted facility occurred after permit issuance which justify the application of a less stringent effluent limitation; and

2. a. Information is available which was not available at the time of permit issuance (other than revised regulations, guidance, or test methods) which would have justified the application of a less stringent effluent limitation at the time of permit issuance; or

b. The Executive Secretary determines that technical mistakes or mistaken interpretations of law were made in issuing the permit;

3. A less stringent effluent limitation is necessary because of events over which the permittee has no control and for which there is no reasonably available remedy;

4. The permittee has received a permit modification under R317-8-5.6; or

5. The permittee has installed the treatment facilities required to meet the effluent limitations in the previous permit and has properly operated and maintained the facilities but has nevertheless been unable to achieve the previous effluent limitations, in which case the limitations in the reviewed, reissued, or modified permit may reflect the level of pollutant control actually achieved (but shall not be less stringent than required by effluent guidelines in effect at the time of permit renewal, reissuance, or modification).

(d). Limitations. In no event may a permit with respect to which R317-8-4.2(11)(b) applies be renewed, reissued or modified to contain an effluent limitation which is less stringent than required by effluent guidelines in effect at the time the permit is renewed, reissued, or modified. In no event may such a permit to discharge into waters be renewed, issued, or modified to contain a less stringent effluent limitation if the implementation of such limitation would result in a violation of the water quality standard applicable to such waters.

(12) Privately Owned Treatment Works. For a privately owned treatment works, any conditions expressly applicable to any user, as a limited co-permittee, that may be necessary in the permit issued to the treatment works to ensure compliance with applicable requirements under this regulation will be imposed as applicable. Alternatively, the Executive Secretary may issue separate permits to the treatment works and to its users, or may require a separate permit application from any user. The Executive Secretary's decision to issue a permit with no conditions applicable to any user, to impose conditions on one or more users, to issue separate permits or to require separate applications, and the basis for that decision will be stated in the fact sheet for the draft permit for the treatment works.

(13) Grants. Any conditions imposed in grants or loans made by the Executive Secretary to POTWs which are reasonably necessary for the achievement of federally issued effluent limitations will be required as applicable.

(14) Sewage Sludge. Requirements governing the disposal of sewage sludge from publicly owned treatment works or any other treatment works treating domestic sewage for any use for which rules have been established, in accordance with any applicable regulations.

(15) Coast Guard. When a permit is issued to a facility that may operate at certain times as a means of transportation over water, the permit will be conditioned to require that the discharge comply with any applicable federal regulation promulgated by the Secretary of the department in which the Coast Guard is operating, and such condition will establish specifications for safe transportation, handling, carriage, and storage of pollutants, if applicable.

(16) Navigation. Any conditions that the Secretary of the Army considers necessary to ensure that navigation and anchorage will not be substantially impaired, in accordance with R317-8-6.9 will be included.

(17) State standards for sewage sludge use or disposal. When there are no applicable standards for sewage sludge use or disposal, the permit may include requirements developed on a case-by-case basis to protect public health and the environment from any adverse effects which may occur from toxic pollutants in sewage sludge. If any applicable standard for sewage sludge use or disposal is promulgated under Section 19-5-104 of the Utah Water Quality Act, and that standard is more stringent than any limitation on the pollutant or practice in the permit, the Executive Secretary may initiate proceedings under these rules to modify or revoke and reissue the permit to

conform to the standard for sewage sludge use or disposal.

(18) Qualifying State or local programs.

(a) For storm water discharges associated with small construction activity identified in R317-8-3.9(6)(e), the Executive Secretary may include permit conditions that incorporate qualifying State or local erosion and sediment control program requirements by reference. Where a qualifying State or local program does not include one or more of the elements in this paragraph then the Executive Secretary must include those elements as conditions in the permit. A qualifying State or local erosion and sediment control program is one that includes:

1. Requirements for construction site operators to implement appropriate erosion and sediment control best management practices;

2. Requirements for construction site operators to control waste such as discarded building materials, concrete truck washout, chemicals, litter, and sanitary waste at the construction site that may cause adverse impacts to water quality;

3. Requirements for construction site operators to develop and implement a storm water pollution prevention plan. (A storm water pollution prevention plan includes site descriptions of appropriate control measures, copies of approved State, local requirements, maintenance procedures, inspections procedures, and identification of non-storm water discharges); and

4. Requirements to submit a site plan for review that incorporates consideration of potential water quality impacts.

(b) For storm water discharges from construction activity identified in R317-8-3.9(6)(d)10., the Executive Secretary may include permit conditions that incorporate qualifying State or local erosion and sediment control program requirements by reference. A qualifying State or local erosion and sediment control program is one that includes the elements listed in paragraph (18)(a) of this section and any additional requirements necessary to achieve the applicable technology-based standards of "best available technology" and "best conventional technology" based on the best professional judgment of the permit writer.

4.3 CALCULATING UPDES PERMIT CONDITIONS. The following provisions will be used to calculate terms and conditions of the UPDES permit.

(1) Outfalls and Discharge Points. All permit effluent limitations, standards, and prohibitions will be established for each outfall or discharge point of the permitted facility, except as otherwise provided under R317-8-4.2(10) with BMPs where limitations are infeasible; and under R317-8-4.3(8), limitations on internal waste streams.

(2) Production-Based Limitations.

(a) In the case of POTWs, permit effluent limitations, standards, or prohibitions will be calculated based on design flow.

(b) Except in the case of POTWs, calculation of any permit limitations, standards, or prohibitions which are based on production, or other measure of operation, will be based not upon the designed production capacity but rather upon a reasonable measure of actual production of the facility. For new sources or new dischargers, actual production shall be estimated using projected production. The time period of the measure of production will correspond to the time period of the calculated permit limitations; for example, monthly production will be used to calculate average monthly discharge limitations. The Executive Secretary may include a condition establishing alternate permit standards or prohibitions based upon anticipated increased (not to exceed maximum production capability) or decreased production levels.

(c) For the automotive manufacturing industry only, the Executive Secretary may establish a condition under R317-8-4.3(2)(b)2 if the applicant satisfactorily demonstrates to the Executive Secretary at the time the application is submitted that its actual production, as indicated in R317-8-4.3(2)(b)1, is substantially below maximum production capability and that there is a reasonable potential for an increase above actual production during the duration of the permit.

(d) If the Executive Secretary establishes permit conditions under and R317-8-4.3(2)(c):

1. The permit shall require the permittee to notify the Executive Secretary at least two business days prior to a month in which the permittee expects to operate at a level higher than the lowest production level identified in the permit. The notice shall specify the anticipated level and the period during which the permittee expects to operate at the alternate level. If the notice covers more than one month, the notice shall specify the reasons for the anticipated production level increase. New notice of discharge at alternate levels is required to cover a period or production level not covered by prior notice or, if during two consecutive months otherwise covered by a notice, the production level at the permitted facility does not in fact meet the higher level designated in the notice.

2. The permittee shall comply with the limitations, standards, or prohibitions that correspond to the lowest level of production specified in the permit, unless the permittee has notified the Executive Secretary under R317-8-4.3(2)(d)1, in which case the permittee shall comply with the lower of the actual level of production during each month or the level specified in the notice.

3. The permittee shall submit with the DMR the level of production that actually occurred during each month and the limitations, standards, or prohibitions applicable to that level of production.

(3) Metals. All permit effluent limitations, standards, or prohibitions for a metal will be expressed in terms of the total recoverable metal, that is, the sum of the dissolved and suspended fractions of the metal, unless:

(a) An applicable effluent standard or limitation has been promulgated by EPA and specifies the limitation for the metal in the dissolved or valent form; or total form; or

(b) In establishing permit limitations on a case-by-case basis under R317-8-7, it is necessary to express the limitation on the metal in the dissolved or valent form in order to carry out the provisions of the Utah Water Quality Act; or

(c) All approved analytical methods for the metal inherently measure only its dissolved form.

(4) Continuous Discharges. For continuous discharges all permit effluent limitations, standards, and prohibitions, including those necessary to achieve water quality standards, unless impracticable will be stated as:

(a) Maximum daily and average monthly discharge limitations for all dischargers other than publicly owned treatment works; and

(b) Average weekly and average monthly discharge limitations for POTWs.

(5) Non-continuous Discharges. Discharges which are not continuous, as defined in R317-8-1.5(7), shall be particularly described and limited, considering the following factors, as appropriate:

(a) Frequency; for example, a batch discharge shall not occur more than once every three (3) weeks;

(b) Total mass; for example, not to exceed 100 kilograms of zinc and 200 kilograms of chromium per batch discharge;

(c) Maximum rate of discharge of pollutants during the discharge for example, not to exceed 2 kilograms of zinc per minute; and

(d) Prohibition or limitation of specified pollutants by mass, concentration, or other appropriate measure, (for example, shall not contain at any time more than 0.05 mg/l zinc or more than 250 grams (0.25 kilogram) of zinc in any discharge).

(6) Mass Limitations.

(a) All pollutants limited in permits shall have limitations,

standards, or prohibitions expressed in terms of mass except:

1. For pH, temperature, radiation, or other pollutants which cannot appropriately be expressed by mass;

2. When applicable standards and limitations are expressed in terms of other units of measurement; or

3. If, in establishing permit limitations on a case-by-case basis under R317-8-7.1, limitations expressed in terms of mass are infeasible because the mass of the pollutant discharged cannot be related to a measure of operation; (for example, discharges of TSS from certain mining operations), and permit conditions ensure that dilution will not be used as a substitute for treatment.

(b) Pollutants limited in terms of mass additionally may be limited in terms of other units of measurement, and the permit will require the permittee to comply with both limitations.

(7) Pollutants in Intake Water.

(a) Upon request of the discharger, technology-based effluent limitations or standards shall be adjusted to reflect credit for pollutants in the discharger's intake water if:

1. The applicable effluent limitations and standards contained in effluent guidelines and standards provide that they shall be applied on a net basis; or

2. The discharger demonstrates that the control system it proposes or used to meet applicable technology-based limitations and standards would, if properly installed and operated, meet the limitations and standards in the absence of pollutants in the intake waters.

(b) Credit for generic pollutants such as biochemical oxygen demand (BOD) or total suspended solids (TSS) should not be granted unless the permittee demonstrates that the constituents of the generic measure in the effluent are substantially similar to the constituents of the generic measure in the intake water or unless appropriate additional limits are placed on process water pollutants either at the outfall or elsewhere.

(c) Credit shall be granted only to the extent necessary to meet the applicable limitation or standard, up to a maximum value equal to the influent value. Additional monitoring may be necessary to determine eligibility for credits and compliance with permit limits.

(d) Credit shall be granted only if the discharger demonstrates that the intake water is drawn from the same body of water into which the discharge is made. The Executive Secretary may waive this requirement if he finds that no environmental degradation will result.

(e) This section does not apply to the discharge of raw water clarifier sludge generated from the treatment of intake water.

(8) Internal Waste Streams.

(a) When permit effluent limitations or standards imposed at the point of discharge are impractical or infeasible, effluent limitations or standards for discharges of pollutants may be imposed on internal waste streams before mixing with other waste streams or cooling water streams. In those instances, the monitoring required by R317-8-4.2(8) shall also be applied to the internal waste streams.

(b) Limits on internal waste streams will be imposed only when the fact sheet under R317-8-6.4 sets forth the exceptional circumstances which make such limitations necessary, such as when the final discharge point is inaccessible, for example, under 10 meters of water, the wastes at the point of discharge are so diluted as to make monitoring impracticable, or the interferences among pollutants at the point of discharge would make detection or analysis impracticable.

(9) Disposal of Pollutants Into Wells, Into POTWs, or by Land Application. Permit limitations and standards shall be calculated as provided in R317-8-2.6.

(10) Secondary Treatment Information. Permit conditions that involve secondary treatment will be written as provided in 40 CFR Part 133, except that Utah effluent limits for secondary treatment will be used.

R317-8-5. Permit Provisions.

5.1 DURATION OF PERMITS

(1) UPDES permits shall be effective for a fixed term not to exceed 5 years.

(2) Except as provided in R317-8-3.1(4) (d), the term of a permit shall not be extended by modification beyond the maximum duration specified in this section.

(3) The Executive Secretary may issue any permit for a duration that is less than the full allowable term under this section.

(4) A permit that would expire on or after the Federal statutory deadline set forth in section 301(b)(2) (A), (C), and (E) of the CWA, may be issued to expire after the deadline if the permit includes effluent limitations to meet the requirements of section 301(b)(2) (A), (C), (D), (E) and (F), whether or not applicable effluent limitations guidelines have been promulgated or approved.

(5) A determination that a particular discharger falls within a given industrial category for purposes of setting a permit expiration date under paragraph (d) of this section is not conclusive as to the discharger's inclusion in that industrial category for any other purposes, and does not prejudice any rights to challenge or change that inclusion at the time that a permit based on that determination is formulated.

5.2 SCHEDULES OF COMPLIANCE

(1) The permit may, when appropriate, specify a schedule of compliance leading to compliance with the Utah Water Quality Act, as amended, and regulations promulgated pursuant thereto.

(a) Time for compliance. Any schedules of compliance under this section will require compliance as soon as possible, but not later than the applicable statutory deadline under the CWA.

(b) The first UPDES permit issued to a new source or a new discharger shall contain a schedule of compliance only when necessary to allow a reasonable opportunity to attain compliance with requirements issued or revised after commencement of construction but less than three years before commencement of the relevant discharge. For recommencing discharges, a schedule of compliance shall be available only when necessary to allow a reasonable opportunity to attain compliance with requirements issued or revised less than three years before recommencement of discharge.

(c) Interim dates. Except as provided in R317-8-5.2(2)(a)2 if a permit establishes a schedule of compliance which exceeds one (1) year from the date of permit issuance, the schedule will set forth interim requirements and the dates for their achievement.

1. The time between interim dates will not exceed one (1) year, except that in the case of a schedule for compliance with standards for sewage sludge use and disposal, the time between interim dates will not exceed six months.

2. If the time necessary for completion of any interim requirement, such as the construction of a control facility, is more than one (1) year and is not readily divisible into stages for completion, the permit will specify interim dates, (but not more than one interim date per calendar year per project phase or segment), for the submission of reports of progress toward completion of the interim requirements and indicate a projected completion date.

(d) Reporting. The permit shall be written to require that no later than fourteen (14) days following each interim date and the final date of compliance, the permittee shall notify the Executive Secretary in writing of its compliance or noncompliance with the interim or final requirements, or submit progress reports.

(2) Alternative Schedules of Compliance. A UPDES permit applicant or permittee may cease conducting regulated activities (by termination of direct discharge for UPDES sources), rather than continue to operate and meet permit requirements as follows:

(a) If the permittee decides to cease conducting regulated activities at a given time within the term of a permit which has already been issued:

1. The permit may be modified to contain a new or additional schedule leading to timely cessation of activities; or

2. The permittee shall cease conducting permitted activities before noncompliance with any interim or final compliance schedule requirement already specified in the permit.

(b) If the decision to cease conducting regulated activities is made before issuance of a permit whose term will include the termination date, the permit will contain a schedule leading to termination which will ensure timely compliance with applicable requirements no later than the statutory deadline.

(c) If the permittee is undecided whether to cease conducting regulated activities, the Executive Secretary may issue or modify a permit to contain two schedules as follows:

1. Both schedules will contain an identical interim deadline requiring a final decision on whether to cease conducting regulated activities no later than a date which ensures sufficient time to comply with applicable requirements in a timely manner if the decision is to continue conducting regulated activities;

2. One schedule shall lead to timely compliance no later than the statutory deadline in the CWA;

3. The second schedule will lead to cessation of regulated activities by a date which will ensure timely compliance with the applicable requirements no later than the deadline specified in R317-8-7;

4. Each permit containing two schedules will include a requirement that after the permittee has made a final decision under R317-8-5.2(2)(c), it shall follow the schedule leading to compliance if the decision is to continue conducting regulated activities, and follow the schedule leading to termination if the decision is to cease conducting regulated activities.

(d) The applicant's or permittee's decision to cease conducting regulated activities shall be evidenced by a firm public commitment satisfactory to the Executive Secretary, such as a resolution of the Board of Directors of a corporation.

5.3 REQUIREMENTS FOR RECORDING AND REPORTING OF MONITORING RESULTS. All permits shall specify:

(1) Requirements concerning the proper use, maintenance, and installation, when appropriate, of monitoring equipment or methods, (including biological monitoring methods when appropriate);

(2) Required monitoring including type, intervals, and frequency sufficient to yield data which are representative of the monitored activity including, when appropriate, continuous monitoring;

(3) Applicable reporting requirements based upon the impact of the regulated activity and as specified in R317-8-4.1 and 4.2. Reporting shall be no less frequent than specified in the above section.

5.4 EFFECT OF A PERMIT

(1) Except for any toxic effluent standards and prohibitions included in R317-8-4.1(1)(b) and any standards adopted by the State for sewage sludge use or disposal, compliance with a UPDES permit during its term constitutes compliance, for purposes of enforcement, with the UPDES program. However, a permit may be modified, revoked and reissued, or terminated during its term for cause as set forth in R317-8-5.6 and 5.7.

(2) The issuance of a permit does not convey any property rights or any exclusive privilege.

(3) The issuance of a permit does not authorize any injury to persons or property or invasion of other private rights, or any infringement of state or local law or regulations.

(4) Compliance with a permit condition which implements a particular standard for sewage sludge use or disposal shall be an affirmative defense in any enforcement action brought for a violation of that standard for sewage use or disposal under the UPDES program.

5.5 TRANSFER OF PERMITS

(1) Transfers by Modification. Except as provided in R317-8-5.5(2) a permit may be transferred by the permittee to a new owner or operator only if the permit has been modified or revoked and reissued, under R317-8-5.6 or if a minor modification has been made to identify the new permittee and incorporate such other requirements as may be necessary under the UPDES regulations.

(2) Automatic Transfers. As an alternative to transfers under subsection (1) of this section, any UPDES permit may be automatically transferred to a new permittee if:

(a) The current permittee notifies the Executive Secretary at least thirty (30) days in advance of the proposed transfer date in R317-8-5.5(2)(b).

(b) The notice includes a written agreement between the existing and new permittees containing a specific date for transfer of permit responsibility, coverage, and liability between them.

(c) The Executive Secretary does not notify the existing permittee and the proposed new permittee of an intent to modify or revoke and reissue the permit. A modification under this subparagraph may also be a minor modification under R317-8-5.6(3). If this notice is not received, the transfer is effective on the date specified in the agreement under R317-8-5.5(2)(b).

5.6 MODIFICATION OR REVOCATION AND REISSUANCE OF PERMIT

The Executive Secretary may determine whether or not one or more of the causes, listed in R317-8-5.6(1) and (2) for modification or revocation and reissuance or both, exist. If cause exists, the Executive Secretary may modify or revoke and reissue the permit accordingly, and may request an updated application if necessary. When a permit is modified, only the conditions subject to modification are reopened. If a permit is revoked and reissued, the entire permit is reopened and subject to revision and the permit is reissued for a new term. If cause does not exist under this section, the Executive Secretary shall not modify or revoke and reissue the permit. If a permit modification satisfies the criteria in R317-8-5.6(3) for "minor modifications" the permit may be modified without a draft permit or public review. Otherwise, a draft permit must be prepared and the procedures in R317-8-6 must be followed.

(1) Causes for Modification. The following are causes for modification but not revocation and reissuance of permits except when the permittee requests or agrees to revocation and reissuance as well as modification of a permit.

(a) Alterations. If there are material and substantial alterations or additions made to the permitted facility or activity which occurred after permit issuance, such alterations may justify the application of revised permit conditions which are different or absent in the existing permit.

(b) Information. Information received by the Executive Secretary regarding permitted activities may show cause for modification. UPDES permits may be modified during their terms for this cause only if the information was not available at the time of permit issuance, (except for revised regulations, guidance or test methods) and would have justified application of different conditions at the time of permit issuance. In addition, the applicant must show that the information would have justified the application of different permit conditions at the time of issuance. For UPDES general permits this cause

shall include any information indicating that cumulative effects on the environment are unacceptable.

(c) New Regulations. If the standards or regulations on which the permit was based have been changed by promulgation of amended standards or regulations or by judicial decision after the permit was issued permits may be modified during their terms for this case only as follows:

1. For promulgation of amended standards or regulations, when:

a. The permit condition requested to be modified was based on promulgated effluent limitation guidelines or promulgated water quality standards; or the Secondary Treatment Regulations; and

b. EPA has revised, withdrawn, or modified that portion of the regulation or effluent limitation guideline on which the permit condition was based or has approved the Executive Secretary's action with regard to a water quality standard on which the permit condition was based; and

c. A permittee requests modification in accordance with R317-8-6.1 within ninety (90) days after the amendment, revision or withdrawal is promulgated.

2. For judicial decisions, a court of competent jurisdiction has remanded and stayed EPA promulgated regulations or effluent limitation guidelines, if the remand and stay concern that portion of the regulations or guidelines on which the permit condition was based and a request is filed by the permittee in accordance with R317-8-6.2 within ninety (90) days of judicial remand.

(d) Compliance Schedules. A permit may be modified if the Executive Secretary determines good cause exists for modification of a compliance schedule, such as an act of God, strike, flood or materials shortage or other events over which the permittee has little or no control and for which there is no reasonably available remedy. However, in no case will a UPDES compliance schedule be modified to extend beyond an applicable statutory deadline in R317-8-7.

(e) In addition the Executive Secretary may modify a permit:

1. When the permittee has filed a request for a variance under R317-8-2.3, R317-8-2.7 or for "fundamentally different factors" within the time specified in R317-8-3 or R317-8-7.7(8)a (and the Executive Secretary processes the request under the applicable provisions).

2. When required to incorporate an applicable toxic effluent standard or prohibition under R317-8-4.2(2).

3. When required by the "reopener" conditions in a permit, which are established in the permit under R317-8-4.2(3) for toxic effluent limitations and standards for sewage sludge use or disposal.

4. Upon request of a permittee who qualifies for effluent limitations on a net basis under R317-8-4.3(8).

5. When a discharger is no longer eligible for net limitations, as provided in R317-8-4.3(8).

6. As necessary under EPA effluent limitations guidelines concerning compliance schedule for development of a pretreatment program.

7. When the level of discharge of any pollutant which is not limited in the permit exceeds the level which can be achieved by the technology-based treatment requirements appropriate to the permittee under R317-8-7.1(2)(c).

8. To establish a "notification level" as provided in R317-8-4.2(6).

9. To modify a schedule of compliance to reflect the time lost during the construction of an innovative or alternative facility in the case of the POTW which has received a grant from EPA of 100% of the cost to modify or replace the facilities. In no case will the compliance schedule be modified to extend beyond an applicable statutory deadline for compliance.

10. Upon failure of the Executive Secretary to notify an affected state whose waters may be affected by a discharge from Utah.

11. To correct technical mistakes, such as errors in calculation, or mistaken interpretations of law made in determining permit conditions.

12. When the discharger has installed the treatment technology considered by the permit writer in setting effluent limitations and has properly operated and maintained the facilities but nevertheless has been unable to achieve those effluent limitations. In this case, the limitations in the modified permit may reflect the level of pollutant control actually achieved (but shall not be less stringent than required by a subsequently promulgated effluent limitations guideline).

13. When required by a permit condition to incorporate a land application plan for beneficial reuse of sewage sludge, to revise an existing land application plan, or to add a land application plan.

(2) Causes for Modification or Revocation and Reissuance. The following are causes to modify or alternatively revoke or reissue a permit:

(a) Cause exists for termination under R317-8-5.7 and the Executive Secretary determines that modification or revocation and reissuance is appropriate.

(b) The Executive Secretary has received notification of a proposed transfer of the permit. A permit also may be modified to reflect a transfer after the effective date of an automatic transfer but will not be revoked and reissued after the effective date of the transfer except upon the request of the new permittee.

(3) Minor modifications of permits. Upon the consent of the permittee, the Executive Secretary may modify a permit to make the corrections or allowances for changes in the permitted activity listed in this section, without following the procedures of R317-8-6. Any permit modification not processed as a minor modification under this section must be made for cause and with a Section R317-8-6 draft permit and public notice as required under this section. Minor modifications may only:

(a) Correct typographical errors;

(b) Require more frequent monitoring or reporting by the permittee;

(c) Change an interim compliance date in a schedule of compliance, provided the new date is not more than 120 days after the date specified in the existing permit and does not interfere with attainment of the final compliance date requirement;

(d) Allow for a change in ownership or operational control of a facility where the Executive Secretary determines that no other change in the permit is necessary, provided that a written agreement containing a specific date for transfer of permit responsibility, coverage, and liability between the current and new permittees has been submitted to the Executive Secretary;

(e) Change the construction schedule for a discharger which is a new source. No such change shall affect a disclosure obligation to have all pollution control equipment installed and in operation prior to discharge; or

(f) Delete a point source outfall when the discharge from that outfall is terminated and does not result in discharge of pollutants from other outfalls except in accordance with permit limits.

(g) Incorporate conditions of a POTW pretreatment program that has been approved in accordance with the procedures in R317-8-8.10 (or a modification thereto that has been approved in accordance with the procedures in R317-8-8.16 as enforceable conditions of the POTW's permits).

5.7 TERMINATION OF PERMIT

(1) The following are causes for terminating a permit during its term, or for denying a renewal application:

(a) Noncompliance by the permittee with any condition of the permit;

(b) The permittee's failure in the application or during the permit issuance process to disclose fully all relevant facts, or the permittee's misrepresentation of any relevant fact at any time;

(c) A determination that the permitted activity endangers human health or the environment and can only be regulated to acceptable levels by permit modification or termination; or

(d) When there is a change in any condition that requires either a temporary or a permanent reduction or elimination of any discharge or sludge use or disposal practice controlled by the permit; for example, plant closure or termination of discharge by connection to a POTW.

(2) The Executive Secretary will follow the applicable procedures of R317-8-6.2 in terminating UPDES permits under this section.

R317-8-6. Review Procedures.

6.1 REVIEW OF THE APPLICATION

(1) Any person who requires a permit under the UPDES program shall complete, sign and submit to the Executive Secretary an application for the permit as required under R317-8-3.1. Applications are not required for UPDES general permits. (However, operators who elect to be covered by a general permit shall submit written notification to the Executive Secretary at such time as the Executive Secretary indicates in R317-8-6.3)

(2) The Executive Secretary will not begin the processing of a permit until the applicant has fully complied with the application requirements for the permit, as required by R317-8-3.1.

(3) Permit applications must comply with the signature and certification requirements of R317-8-3.1.

(4) Each application submitted by a UPDES new source or UPDES new discharger should be reviewed for completeness by the Executive Secretary within thirty (30) days of its receipt. Each application for a UPDES permit submitted by an existing source or sludge-only facility will be reviewed for completeness within sixty (60) days of receipt. Upon completing the review, the Executive Secretary shall notify the applicant in writing whether the application is complete. If the application is incomplete, the Executive Secretary shall list the information necessary to make the application complete. When the application is for an existing source or sludge-only facility, the Executive Secretary shall specify in the notice of deficiency a date for submitting the necessary information. The Executive Secretary shall notify the applicant that the application is complete upon receiving this information. After the application is completed, the Executive Secretary may request additional information from an applicant when necessary to clarify, modify, or supplement previously submitted material. Requests for such additional information will not render an application incomplete.

(5) If an applicant fails or refuses to correct deficiencies in the application, the permit may be denied and appropriate enforcement actions may be taken under the Utah Water Quality Act, as amended and regulations promulgated pursuant thereto.

(6) If the Executive Secretary decides that a site visit is necessary for any reason in conjunction with the processing of an application, the applicant will be notified and a date scheduled.

(7) The effective date of an application is the date on which the Executive Secretary notified the applicant that the application is complete as provided in subsection (4) of this section.

(8) For each application from a major facility new source, or major facility new discharger, the Executive Secretary shall no later than the effective date of the application, prepare and mail to the applicant a project decision schedule. The schedule will specify target dates by which the Executive Secretary intends to:

(a) Prepare a draft permit;

(b) Give public notice;

(c) Complete the public comment period, including any public hearing;

(d) Issue a final permit; and

6.2 REVIEW PROCEDURES FOR PERMIT MODIFICATION, REVOCATION AND REISSUANCE, OR TERMINATION OF PERMITS

(1) Permits may only be modified, revoked and reissued, or terminated for the reasons specified in R317-8-5.6. Permits may be modified, revoked and reissued, or terminated either at the request of any interested person (including the permittee) or upon the Executive Secretary's initiative. All requests shall be in writing and shall contain facts or reasons supporting the request.

(2) If the Executive Secretary decides the request is not justified, he or she shall send the requester a brief written response giving a reason for the decision. Denials of requests for modification, revocation and reissuance, or termination are not subject to public notice, comment, or adjudicatory proceeding.

(3) If the Executive Secretary tentatively decides to modify or revoke and reissue a permit under R317-8-5.6, he or she shall prepare a draft permit under R317-8-6.3 incorporating the proposed changes. The Executive Secretary may request additional information and, in the case of a modified permit, may require the submission of an updated application. In the case of revoked and reissued permits, the Executive Secretary shall require the submission of a new application.

(a) In a permit modification under .2, only those conditions to be modified will be reopened when a new draft permit is prepared. All other aspects of the existing permit shall remain in effect for the duration of the unmodified permit. When a permit is revoked and reissued under .2, the entire permit is reopened just as if the permit had expired and was being reissued. During any revocation and reissuance proceeding, the permittee shall comply with all conditions of the existing permit until a new final permit is reissued.

(b) "Minor modifications" as defined in R317-8-5.6(3) are not subject to the requirements of .2.

(4) If the Executive Secretary tentatively decides to terminate a permit under R317-8-5.7, he or she shall issue a notice of intent to terminate. A notice of intent to terminate is a type of draft permit which follows the same procedures as any draft permit prepared under R317-8-6.3.

6.3 DRAFT PERMITS

(1) Once an application is complete, the Executive Secretary shall tentatively decide whether to prepare a draft permit or to deny the application.

(2) If the Executive Secretary tentatively decides to deny the permit application, then he or she shall issue a notice of intent to deny. A notice of intent to deny the permit application is a type of draft permit which follows the same procedure as any draft permit prepared under this section. If the Executive Secretary's final decision (under R317-8-6.11) is that the tentative decision to deny the permit application was incorrect, he or she shall withdraw the notice of intent to deny and proceed to prepare a draft permit under R317-8-6.3(4).

(3) If the Executive Secretary tentatively decides to issue a UPDES general permit, he or she shall prepare a draft general permit in accordance with R317-8-6.3(4).

(4) If the Executive Secretary decides to prepare a draft permit he or she shall prepare a draft permit that contains the following information:

(a) All conditions under R317-8-4.1;

(b) All compliance schedules under R317-8-5.2;

(c) All monitoring requirements under R317-8-5.3;

(d) Effluent limitations, standards, prohibitions, standards for sewage sludge use or disposal, and conditions under R317-

8-3, 8-4, 8-5, 8-6, and 8-7 and all variances that are to be included.

(5) All draft permits prepared under this section shall be accompanied by a statement of basis or fact sheet and shall be based on the administrative record, publicly noticed, and made available for public comment. The Executive Secretary will give notice of opportunity for a public hearing, issue a final decision and respond to comments. A request for an adjudicatory proceeding may be made pursuant to R317-9 following the issuance of a final decision.

(6) Statement of Basis. A statement of basis shall be prepared for every draft permit for which a fact sheet is not prepared. The statement of basis shall briefly describe the derivation of the conditions of the draft permit and the reasons for them or, in the case of notices of intent to deny or terminate, reasons supporting the tentative decision. The statement of basis shall be sent to the applicant and, on request, to any other person.

6.4 FACT SHEETS

(1) A fact sheet shall be prepared for every draft permit for a major UPDES facility or activity, for every UPDES general permit, for every UPDES draft permit that incorporates a variance or requires an explanation under R317-8-6.4(4), for every Class I Sludge Management Facility, for every draft permit that includes a sewage sludge land application plan and for every draft permit which the Executive Secretary finds is the subject of widespread public interest or raises major issues. The fact sheet shall briefly set forth the principal facts and the significant factual, legal, methodological and policy questions considered in preparing the draft permit. The Executive Secretary shall send this fact sheet to the applicant and, on request, to any other persons.

(2) The fact sheet shall include, when applicable:

(a) A brief description of the type of facility or activity which is the subject of the draft permit;

(b) The type and quantity of wastes, fluids or pollutants which are proposed to be or are being treated, stored, disposed of, injected, emitted, or discharged;

(c) A brief summary of the basis for the draft permit conditions including references to applicable statutory or regulatory provisions;

(d) Reasons why any requested variances or alternatives to required standards do or do not appear justified;

(e) A description of the procedures for reaching a final decision on the draft permit including:

1. The beginning and ending dates of the comment period and the address where comments will be received;

2. Procedures for requesting a public hearing and the nature of that hearing; and

3. Any other procedures by which the public may participate in the final decision.

(f) Name and telephone number of a person to contact for additional information.

(3) Any calculations or other necessary explanation of the derivation of specific effluent limitations and conditions, or standards for sewage sludge use and disposal, including a citation to the applicable effluent limitation guideline or performance standard provisions, and reasons why they are applicable or an explanation of how the alternate effluent limitations were developed;

(4)(a) When the draft permit contains any of the following conditions, an explanation of the reasons why such conditions are applicable:

1. Limitations to control toxic pollutants under R317-8-4.2(5);

2. Limitations on internal waste streams under R317-8-4.3(8);

3. Limitations on indicator pollutant;

4. Limitations set on a case-by-case basis under R317-8-7.1(3)(b) or (c).

(b) For every permit to be issued to a treatment works owned by a person other than the State or a municipality, an explanation of the Executive Secretary's decision on regulation of users under R317-8-4.2(12).

(5) When appropriate, a sketch or detailed description of the location of the discharge or regulated activity described in the application.

(6) For permits that include a sewage sludge land application plan, a brief description of how each of the required elements of the land application plan are addressed in the permit.

(7) Any calculations or other necessary explanation of the derivation of specific effluent limitations and conditions or standards for sewage sludge use or disposal, including a citation to the applicable effluent limitation guideline, performance standard, or standard for sewage sludge use or disposal and reasons why they are applicable or an explanation of how the alternate effluent limitations were developed.

6.5 PUBLIC NOTICE OF PERMIT ACTIONS AND PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

(1) Scope.

(a) The Executive Secretary will give public notice that the following actions have occurred:

1. A permit application has been tentatively denied under R317-8-6.3(2); or

2. A draft permit has been prepared under R317-8-6.3(4);

3. A public hearing has been scheduled under R317-8-6.7; and

4. A UPDES new source determination has been made in accordance with the definition in R317-8-1.

(b) No public notice is required when a request for permit modification, revocation and reissuance, or termination is denied under .2. Written notice of the denial will be given to the requester and to the permittee.

(c) Public notices may describe more than one permit or permit action.

(2) Timing.

(a) Public notice of the preparation of a draft permit, including a notice of intent to deny a permit application, required under R317-8-6.5(1) will allow at least thirty (30) days for public comment.

(b) Public notice of a public hearing shall be given at least thirty (30) days before the hearing. (Public notice of the hearing may be given at the same time as public notice of the draft permit and the two notices may be combined.)

(3) Methods. Public notice of activities described in R317-8-6.5(1)(a) will be given by the following methods:

(a) By mailing a copy of a notice to the following persons (Any person otherwise entitled to receive notice under this paragraph may waive their rights to receive notice for any classes and categories of permits.):

1. The applicant, except for UPDES general permittees, and Region VIII, EPA.

2. Federal and state agencies with jurisdiction over fish, shellfish, and wildlife resources, the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, Utah Historic Society and other appropriate government authorities, including any affected states;

3. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

4. Any user identified in the permit application of a privately owned treatment works; and

5. Persons on a mailing list developed by:

a. Including those who request in writing to be on the list;

b. Soliciting persons for area lists from participants in past permit proceedings in that area; and

c. Notifying the public of the opportunity to be put on the mailing list through periodic publication in the public press and

in such publications as newsletters, environmental bulletins, or state law journals. The Executive Secretary may update the mailing list from time to time by requesting written indication of continued interest from those listed. The name of any person who fails to respond to such a request may be deleted from the list.

6. Any unit of local government having jurisdiction over the area where the facility is proposed to be located and each State agency having any authority under State law with respect to construction or operation of such facility.

7. Any other agency which the Executive Secretary knows has issued or is required to issue a RCRA, UIC, PSD (or other permit under the Federal Clean Air Act, NPDES, 404, or sludge management permit).

(b) For major permits, UPDES general permits, and permits that include sewage sludge and application plans, the Executive Secretary will publish a notice in a daily or weekly newspaper within the area affected by the facility or activity;

(c) In a manner constituting legal notice to the public under Utah law; and

(d) Any other method reasonably determined to give actual notice of the action in question to the persons potentially affected by it, including press releases or any other forum or medium to elicit public participation.

(4) Contents.

(a) All public notices issued under this part shall contain the following minimum information:

1. Name and address of the office processing the permit action for which notice is being given;

2. Name and address of the permittee or permit applicant and, if different, of the facility or activity regulated by the permit, except in the case of UPDES draft general permits under R317-8-2.5;

3. A brief description of the business conducted at the facility or activity described in the permit application or the draft permit, for UPDES general permits when there is no application;

4. Name, address and telephone number of a person from whom interested persons may obtain further information, including copies of the draft permit or draft general permit as the case may be, statement of basis or fact sheet, and the application; and

5. A brief description of the comment procedures and the time and place of any public hearing that will be held, including a statement of procedures to request a public hearing, unless a hearing has already been scheduled, and other procedures by which the public may participate in the final permit decision;

6. For UPDES permits only (including those for sludge-only facilities), a general description of the location of each existing or proposed discharge point and the name of the receiving water and the sludge use and disposal practice(s) and the location of each sludge treatment works treating domestic sewage and use or disposal sites known at the time of permit application. For draft general permits, this requirement will be satisfied by a map or description of the permit area;

7. Any additional information considered necessary or appropriate.

(b) Public notices for public hearings. In addition to the general public notice described in .5(4) the public notice for a permit hearing under R317-8-6.7 will contain the following information:

1. Reference to the date of previous public notices relating to the permit;

2. Date, time, and place of the hearing;

3. A brief description of the nature and purpose of the hearing, including the applicable rules and procedures.

(c) Requests under R317-8-2.3(4). In addition to the information required under R317-8-6.5(4)(a) public notice of a UPDES draft permit for a discharge when a R317-8-2.3(4) request has been filed will include:

1. A statement that the thermal component of the discharge is subject to effluent limitations under R317-8-4.2(1) and a brief description, including a quantitative statement of the thermal effluent limitations; and

2. A statement that a R317-8-2.3(4) request has been filed and that alternative less stringent effluent limitations may be imposed on the thermal component of the discharge and a brief description, including a quantitative statement, of the alternative effluent limitations, if any, included in the request.

3. If the applicant has filed an early screening request under R317-8-7.4(4) for a variance, a statement that the applicant has submitted such a plan.

(5) In addition to the general public notice described in .5(4) all persons identified in .5(3)(a)1-4 will be mailed a copy of the fact sheet, the permit application and the draft permit.

6.6 PUBLIC COMMENTS AND REQUESTS FOR PUBLIC HEARINGS

During the public comment period provided under R317-8-6.5, any interested person may submit written comments on the draft permit and may request a public hearing, if no hearing has already been scheduled. A request for a public hearing shall be in writing and shall state the nature of the issues proposed to be raised in the hearing. All comments will be considered in making the final decision and shall be answered as provided in R317-8-6.12.

6.7 PUBLIC HEARINGS

(1) The Executive Secretary shall hold a public hearing when he or she finds on the basis of request(s), a significant degree of public interest in draft permits. The Executive Secretary also may hold a public hearing at his or her discretion whenever a hearing might clarify one or more issues involved in the permit decision.

(2) Public notice of the hearing will be given as specified in R317-8-6.5.

(3) Any person may submit oral or written statements and data concerning the draft permit. Reasonable limits may be set upon the time allowed for oral statements, and the submission of statements in writing may be required. The public comment period under R317-8-6.5 will automatically be extended to the close of any public hearing under this section. The hearing officer may also extend the comment period by so stating at the hearing.

(4) A tape recording or written transcript of the hearing shall be made available to the public.

6.8 OBLIGATION TO RAISE ISSUES AND PROVIDE INFORMATION DURING THE PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

All persons, including applicants, who believe any condition of a draft permit is inappropriate or that the Executive Secretary's tentative decision to deny an application, terminate a permit, or prepare a draft permit is inappropriate, must raise all reasonably ascertainable issues and submit all reasonably available arguments and factual grounds supporting their position, including all supporting material, by the close of the public comment period including any public hearing under R317-8-6.5. All supporting materials shall be included in full and may not be incorporated by reference, unless they are already part of the administrative records in the same proceeding or consist of state or federal statutes and regulations, EPA or the Executive Secretary's documents of general applicability, or other generally available reference materials. Persons making comment shall make supporting material not already included in the administrative record available to the Executive Secretary. Additional time shall be granted under R317-8-6.5 to the extent that a person desiring to comment who requests additional time demonstrates need for such time. Nothing in this section shall be construed to prevent any person aggrieved by a final permit decision from filing a request for

agency action under R317-9.

6.9 CONDITIONS REQUESTED BY THE CORPS OF ENGINEERS AND OTHER GOVERNMENT AGENCIES

(1) If, during the comment period for a UPDES draft permit, the District Engineer of the Corps of Engineers advises the Executive Secretary in writing that anchorage and navigation of the waters of the State would be substantially impaired by the granting of a permit, the permit shall be denied and the applicant so notified. If the District Engineer advises the Executive Secretary that imposing specified conditions upon the permit is necessary to avoid any substantial impairment of anchorage or navigation, then the Executive Secretary shall include the specified conditions in the permit. Review or appeal of denial of a permit or of conditions specified by the District Engineer shall be made through the applicable procedures of the Corps of Engineers and may not be made through the procedures provided in this regulation. If the conditions are stayed by a court of competent jurisdiction or by applicable procedures or the Corps of Engineers, those conditions shall be considered stayed in the UPDES permit for the duration of that stay.

(2) If, during the comment period, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service or any other state or federal agency with jurisdiction over fish, wildlife, or public health advises the Executive Secretary in writing that the imposition of specified conditions upon the permit is necessary to avoid substantial impairment of fish, shellfish, or wildlife resources, the Executive Secretary may include the specified conditions in the permit to the extent they are determined necessary to carry out the provisions of the Utah Water Quality Act, as amended, and of CWA.

(3) In appropriate cases the Executive Secretary may consult with one or more of the agencies referred to in this section before issuing a draft permit and may reflect their views in the statement of basis or fact sheet, or the draft permit.

6.10 REOPENING OF THE PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

(1) The Executive Secretary may order the public comment period reopened if the procedures of this section could expedite the decision making process. When the public comment period is reopened under this paragraph, all persons, including applicants, who believe any condition of a draft permit is inappropriate or that the Executive Secretary's tentative decision to deny an application, terminate a permit, or prepare a draft permit is inappropriate, must submit all reasonably available factual grounds supporting their position, including all supporting material, by a date not less than sixty days after public notice under paragraph (2) of this section, set by the Executive Secretary. Thereafter, any person may file a written response to the material filed by any other person, by a date not less than twenty days after the date set for filing of the material, set by the Executive Secretary.

(2) Public notice of any comment period under this paragraph shall identify the issues to which the requirements of this section shall apply.

(3) On his own motion or on the request of any person, the Executive Secretary may direct that the requirements of paragraph (1) of this section shall apply during the initial comment period where it reasonably appears that issuance of the permit will be contested and that applying the requirements of paragraph (1) of this section will substantially expedite the decision making process. The notice of the draft permit shall state whenever this has been done.

(4) A comment period of longer than 60 days will often be necessary in complicated proceedings to give persons desiring to comment a reasonable opportunity to comply with the requirements of this section. Persons desiring to comment may request longer comment periods and they shall be granted under R317-8-6.5 to the extent they appear necessary.

(5) If any data information or arguments submitted during the public comment period, including information or arguments required under R317-8-6.8, appear to raise substantial new questions concerning a permit, the Executive Secretary may take one or more of the following actions:

(a) Prepare a new draft permit, appropriately modified, under R317-8-6.3;

(b) Prepare a revised statement of basis under R317-8-6.3(6) a fact sheet or revised fact sheet under R317-8-6.4 and reopen the comment period under R317-8-6.10; or

(c) Reopen or extend the comment period under R317-8-6.5 to give interested persons an opportunity to comment on the information or arguments submitted.

(6) Comments filed during the reopened comment period shall be limited to the substantial new questions that caused its reopening. The public notice under R317-8-6.5 shall define the scope of the reopening.

(7) For UPDES permits, the Executive Secretary may also, in the circumstances described above, elect to hold further proceedings. This decision may be combined with any of the actions enumerated in paragraph (5) of this section.

(8) Public notice of any of the above actions shall be issued under R317-8-6.5.

6.11 ISSUANCE AND EFFECTIVE DATE OF PERMIT

After the close of the public comment period under R317-8-6.5, the Executive Secretary will issue a final permit decision. The Executive Secretary will notify the applicant and each person who has submitted written comments or requested notice of that decision. The notice shall include reference to the procedures for contesting the decision. For the purpose of this section, a final permit decision shall mean a final decision to issue, deny, modify, revoke and reissue, or terminate a permit.

6.12 RESPONSE TO COMMENTS

(1) At the time that any final permit decision is issued under R317-8-6.11, the Executive Secretary shall issue a response to comments. This response shall:

(a) Specify which provisions, if any, of the draft permit have been changed in the final permit decision and the reasons for the change; and

(b) Briefly describe and respond to all significant comments on the draft permit raised during the public comment period or during any hearing. The response will fully consider all comments resulting from any hearing conducted under this regulation.

(c) The response to the comments shall be available to the public.

R317-8-7. Criteria and Standards.

7.1 CRITERIA AND STANDARDS FOR TECHNOLOGY-BASED TREATMENT REQUIREMENTS

(1) Purpose and scope. This section establishes criteria and standards for the imposition of technology-based treatment requirements and represents the minimum level of control that must be imposed in a UPDES permit. Permits will contain the following technology-based treatment requirements in accordance with the deadlines indicated herein:

(a) For POTW's effluent limitations based upon:

1. Utah secondary treatment from date of permit issuance; and

2. The best practicable waste treatment technology from date of permit issuance.

(b) For dischargers other than POTWs, except as otherwise provided, effluent limitations requiring:

1. The best practicable control technology currently available (BPT) --

a. For effluent limitations promulgated after January 1, 1982 and requiring a level of control substantially greater or based on fundamentally different control technology than under permits for an industrial category issued before such date, compliance as expeditiously as practicable but in no case later

than three years after the date such limitations are promulgated and in no case later than March 31, 1989;

b. For effluent limitations established on a case-by-case basis based on Best Professional Judgment (BPJ) in a permit issued after February 4, 1987, compliance as expeditiously as practicable but in no case later than three years after the date such limitations are established and in no case later than May 31, 1989;

c. For all other BPT effluent limitations compliance is required from the date of permit issuance.

2. For conventional pollutants the best conventional pollutant control technology (BCT) --

a. For effluent limitations promulgated under section 304(b) of the CWA, as expeditiously as practicable but in no case later than three years after the date such limitations are promulgated, and in no case later than March 31, 1989;

b. For effluent limitations established on a case-by-case (BPJ) basis in a permit issued after February 4, 1987 compliance as expeditiously as practicable but in no case later than three years after the date such limitations are established and in no case later than March 31, 1989;

c. For all other BCT effluent limitations compliance is required from the date of permit issuance.

3. For all toxic pollutants referred to in Committee Print No. 95-30, House Committee on Public Works and Transportation, the best available technology economically achievable (BAT) --

a. For effluent limitations established under section 304(b) of the CWA, as expeditiously as practicable but in no case later than three years after the date such limitations are promulgated and in no case later than March 31, 1989;

b. For permits issued on a case-by-case (BPJ) basis after February 4, 1987 establishing BAT effluent limitations, compliance is required as expeditiously as practicable but in no case later than three years after the date such limitations are promulgated under Section 304(b)of the CWA and in no case later than March 31, 1989.

c. For all other BAT effluent limitations, compliance is required from the date of permit issuance.

4. For all toxic pollutants other than those listed on Committee Print No. 95-30, effluent limitations based on BAT --

a. For effluent limitations promulgated under Section 304(b) of the CWA, compliance is required as expeditiously as practicable, but in no case later than three years after the date such limitations are promulgated, and in no case later than March 31, 1989.

b. For permits issued on a case-by-case (BPJ) basis under section 402(a)(1)(B) of the CWA after February 4, 1987 establishing BAT effluent limitations, compliance is required as expeditiously as practicable but in no case later than 3 years after the date such limitations are established and in no case later than March 31, 1989.

c. For all other BAT effluent limitations, compliance is required from the date of permit issuance.

5. For all pollutants which are neither toxic nor conventional pollutants, effluent limitations based on BAT --

a. For effluent limitations promulgated under section 304(b), compliance is required as expeditiously as practicable but in no case later than 3 years after the date such limitations are established and in no case later than March 31, 1989.

b. For permits issued on a case-by-case (BPJ) basis under section 402(a)(1)(B) of the CWA after February 4, 1987 establishing BAT effluent limitations compliance is required as expeditiously as practicable but in no case later than March 31, 1989.

c. For all other BAT effluent limitations, compliance is required from the date of permit issuance.

(2) Variances and Extensions.

(a) The following variance from technology-based treatment requirements may be applied for under R317-8-2 for dischargers other than POTWs:

1. Economic variance from BAT, as indicated in R317-8-2.3(2);

2. Section 301(g) water quality related variance from BAT;

3. Thermal variance from BPT, BCT and BAT, under R317-8-7.4. may be authorized.

(b) An extension of the BPT deadline may be applied for under R317-8-2.3(3) for dischargers other than POTW's, for use of innovative technology. Compliance extensions may not extend beyond July 1, 1987.

(3) Methods of imposing technology-based treatment requirements in permits. Technology-based treatment requirements may be imposed through one of the following three methods:

(a) Application of EPA-promulgated effluent limitations to dischargers by category or subcategory. These effluent limitations are not applicable to the extent that they have been withdrawn by EPA or remanded. In the case of a court remand, determinations underlying effluent limitations shall be binding in permit issuance proceedings where those determinations are not required to be reexamined by a court remanding the regulations. In addition, dischargers may seek fundamentally different factors variance from these effluent limitations under R317-8-2.3(1) and R317-8-7.3;

(b) On a case-by-case basis to the extent that EPA-promulgated effluent limitations are inapplicable. The permit writer shall apply the appropriate factors and shall consider:

1. The appropriate technology for the category or class of point sources of which the applicant is a member, based upon all available information.

2. Any unique factors relating to the applicant.

(c) Through a combination of the methods in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section. Where EPA promulgated effluent limitations guidelines only apply to certain aspects of the discharger's operation, or to certain pollutant, other aspects or activities are subject to regulation on case-by-case basis in order to carry out the provisions of the CWA;

(d) Limitations developed under paragraph (c)2 of this section may be expressed, where appropriate, in terms of toxicity provided it is shown that the limits reflect the appropriate requirements of the act;

(e) In setting case-by-case limitations pursuant to R317-8-7.1(3), the permit writer must consider the following factors:

1. For BPT requirements:

a. The total cost of application of technology in relation to the effluent reduction benefits to be achieved from such application;

b. The age of equipment and facilities involved;

c. The process employed;

d. The engineering aspects of the application of various types of control techniques;

e. Process changes; and

f. Non-water quality environmental impact (including energy requirements).

2. For BCT requirements:

a. The reasonableness of the relationship between the costs of attaining a reduction in effluent and the effluent reduction benefits derived;

b. The comparison of the cost and level of reduction of such pollutants from the discharge from publicly owned treatment works to the cost and level of reduction of such pollutants from a class or category of industrial sources;

c. The age of equipment and facilities involved;

d. The process employed;

e. The engineering aspects of the application of various types of control techniques;

f. Process changes; and

g. Non-water quality environmental impact (including energy requirements).

3. For BAT requirement:

a. The age of equipment and facilities involved;

b. The process employed;

c. The engineering aspects of the application of various types of control techniques;

d. The cost of achieving such effluent reduction; and

e. Non-water quality environmental impact (including energy requirements).

(f) Technology-based treatment requirements are applied prior to or at the point of discharge.

(4) Technology-based treatment requirements cannot be satisfied through the use of "non-treatment" techniques such as flow augmentation and in-stream mechanical aerators. However, these techniques may be considered as a method of achieving water quality standards on a case-by-case basis when:

(a) The technology based treatment requirements applicable to the discharge are not sufficient to achieve the standards;

(b) The discharger agrees to waive any opportunity to request a variance under R317-8-2.3;

(c) The discharger demonstrates that such a technique is the preferred environmental and economic method to achieve the standards after consideration of alternatives such as advanced waste treatment, recycle and reuse, land disposal, changes in operating methods, and other available methods.

(5) Technology-based effluent limitations will be established for solids, sludges, filter backwash, and other pollutants removed in the course of treatment or control of wastewaters in the same manner as for other pollutants.

(6)(a) The Executive Secretary may set a permit limit for a conventional pollutant at a level more stringent than the best conventional pollution control technology (BCT), or limit for a nonconventional pollutant which shall not be subject to modification where:

1. Effluent limitations guidelines specify the pollutant as an indicator for a toxic pollutant; or

2.a. The limitation reflects BAT-level control of discharges of one or more toxic pollutants which are present in the waste stream, and a specific BAT limitation upon the toxic pollutant(s) is not feasible for economic or technical reasons;

b. The permit identifies which toxic pollutants are intended to be controlled by use of the limitation; and

c. The fact sheet required by R317-8-6.4 sets forth the basis for the limitation, including a finding that compliance with the limitations will result in BAT-level control of the toxic pollutant discharges identified in (6)(l)(b)(ii) of this section, and a finding that it would be economically or technically infeasible to directly limit the toxic pollutant(s).

(b) The Executive Secretary may set a permit limit for a conventional pollutant at a level more stringent than BCT when:

1. Effluent limitations guidelines specify the pollutant as an indicator for a hazardous substances; or

2.a. The limitation reflects BAT-level, co-control of discharges, or an appropriate level of one or more hazardous substance(s) which are present in the waste stream, and a specific BAT or other appropriate limitation upon the hazardous substance which are present in the waste stream, and a specific BAT, or other appropriate limitation upon the hazardous substance is not feasible for economic or technical reasons;

b. The permit identifies which hazardous substances are intended to be controlled by use of the limitation; and

c. The fact sheet required by R317-8-6.4 sets forth the basis for the limitation, including a finding that compliance with the limitations will result in BAT-level, or other appropriate level, control of the hazardous substances discharges identified in (6)(l)(b)(ii) of this section, and a finding that it would be economically or technically infeasible to directly limit the hazardous substance(s).

d. Hazardous substances which are also toxic pollutants are subject to R317-8-7.1(6).

(3) The Executive Secretary may not set more stringent limits under the preceding paragraphs if the method of treatment required to comply with the limit differs from that which would be required if the toxic pollutant(s) or hazardous substances) controlled by the limit were limited directly.

(d) Toxic pollutants identified under R317-8-7.1(6) remain subject to R317-8-4.1(15) which requires notification of increased discharges of toxic pollutants above levels reported in the application form.

7.2 CRITERIA FOR ISSUANCE OF PERMITS TO AQUACULTURE PROJECTS

(1) Purpose and scope.

(a) This section establishes guidelines for approval of any discharge of pollutants associated with an aquaculture project.

(b) This section authorizes, on a selective basis, controlled discharges which would otherwise be unlawful under the Utah Water Quality Act in order to determine the feasibility of using pollutants to grow aquatic organisms which can be harvested and used beneficially.

(c) Permits issued for discharges into aquaculture projects under this section are UPDES permits and are subject to all applicable requirements. Any permit will include such conditions, including monitoring and reporting requirements, as are necessary to comply with the UPDES regulations. Technology-based effluent limitations need not be applied to discharges into the approved project except with respect to toxic pollutants.

(2) Criteria.

(a) No UPDES permit will be issued to an aquaculture project unless:

1. The Executive Secretary determines that the aquaculture project:

a. Is intended by the project operator to produce a crop which has significant direct or indirect commercial value, or is intended to be operated for research into possible production of such a crop; and

b. Does not occupy a designated project area which is larger than can be economically operated for the crop under cultivation or than is necessary for research purposes.

2. The applicant has demonstrated, to the satisfaction of the Executive Secretary, that the use of the pollutant to be discharged to the aquaculture project shall result in an increased harvest of organisms under culture over what would naturally occur in the area;

3. The applicant has demonstrated, to the satisfaction of the Executive Secretary, that if the species to be cultivated in the aquacultural project is not indigenous to the immediate geographical area, there shall be minimal adverse effects on the flora and fauna indigenous to the area, and the total commercial value of the introduced species is at least equal to that of the displaced or affected indigenous flora and fauna;

4. The Executive Secretary determines that the crop will not have significant potential for human health hazards resulting from its consumption;

5. The Executive Secretary determines that migration of pollutants from the designated project area to waters of the State outside of the aquaculture project will not cause or contribute to a violation of the water quality or applicable standards and limitations applicable to the supplier of the pollutant that would govern if the aquaculture project were itself a point source. The approval of an aquaculture project shall not result in the enlargement of a pre-existing mixing zone area beyond what had been designated by the State for the original discharge.

(b) No permit will be issued for any aquaculture project in conflict with a water quality management plan or an amendment

to a 208 plan approved by EPA.

(c) Designated project areas shall not include a portion of a body of water large enough to expose a substantial portion of the indigenous biota to the conditions within the designated project area.

(d) Any pollutants not required by or beneficial to the aquaculture crop shall not exceed applicable standards and limitations when entering the designated project area.

7.3 CRITERIA AND STANDARDS FOR DETERMINING FUNDAMENTALLY DIFFERENT FACTORS

(1) Purpose and scope.

(a) This section establishes the criteria and standards to be used in determining whether effluent limitations required by effluent limitations guidelines hereinafter referred to as "national limits", should be imposed on a discharger because factors relating to the discharger's facilities, equipment, processes or other factors related to the discharger are fundamentally different from the factors considered by EPA in development of the national limits. This section applies to all national limits promulgated except for best practicable treatment (BPT) standards for stream electric plants.

(b) In establishing national limits, EPA takes into account all the information it can collect, develop and solicit regarding the factors listed in sections 304(g) of the Clean Water Act. In some cases, however, data which could affect these national limits as they apply to a particular discharge may not be available or may not be considered during their development. As a result, it may be necessary on a case-by-case basis to adjust the national limits, and make them either more or less stringent as they apply to certain dischargers within an industrial category or subcategory. This will only be done if data specific to that discharger indicates it presents factors fundamentally different from those considered in developing the limit at issue. Any interested person believing that factors relating to a discharger's facilities, equipment, processes or other facilities related to the discharger are fundamentally different from the factors considered during development of the national limits may request a fundamentally different factors variance under R317-8-2.3(1). In addition, such a variance may be proposed by the Executive Secretary in the draft permit.

(2) Criteria.

(a) A request for the establishment of effluent limitations under this section shall be approved only if:

1. There is an applicable national limit which is applied in the permit and specifically controls the pollutant for which alternative effluent limitations or standards have been requested; and

2. Factors relating to the discharge controlled by the permit are fundamentally different from those considered by EPA in establishing the national limit; and

3. The request for alternative effluent limitations or standards is made in accordance with the procedural requirements of R317-8-6.

(b) A request for the establishment of effluent limitations less stringent than those required by national limits guidelines will be approved only if:

1. The alternative effluent limitation requested is not less stringent than justified by the fundamental difference; and

2. The alternative effluent limitation or standard will ensure compliance with the UPDES regulations and the Utah Water Quality Act.

3. Compliance with the national limits, either by using the technologies upon which the national limits are based or by other control alternative, would result in:

a. A removal cost wholly out of proportion to the removal cost considered during development of the national limits; or

b. A non-water quality environmental impact, including energy requirements, fundamentally more adverse than the impact considered during development of the national limits.

(c) A request for alternative limits more stringent than required by national limits shall be approved only if:

1. The alternative effluent limitation or standard requested is no more stringent than justified by the fundamental difference; and

2. Compliance with the alternative effluent limitation or standard would not result in:

a. A removal cost wholly out of proportion to the removal cost considered during development of the national limits; or

b. A non-water quality environmental impact, including energy requirements, fundamentally more adverse than the impact considered during development of the national limits.

(d) Factors which may be considered fundamentally different are:

1. The nature or quality of pollutants contained in the raw wasteload of the applicant's process wastewater;

2. The volume of the discharger's process wastewater and effluent discharged;

3. Non-water quality environmental impact of control and treatment of the discharger's raw waste load;

4. Energy requirements of the application of control and treatment technology;

5. Age, size, land availability, and configuration as they relate to the discharger's equipment or facilities; processes employed; process changes; and engineering aspects of the application of control technology;

6. Cost of compliance with required control technology.

(c) A variance request or portion of such a request under this section will not be granted on any of the following grounds:

1. The infeasibility of installing the required waste treatment equipment within the time allowed in R317-8-7.1.

2. The assertion that the national limits cannot be achieved with the appropriate waste treatment facilities installed, if such assertion is not based on factor(s) listed in paragraph (d) of this section;

3. The discharger's ability to pay for the required waste-treatment; or

4. The impact of a discharge on local receiving water quality.

(3) Method of application.

(a) A written request for a variance under this regulation shall be submitted in duplicate to the Executive Secretary in accordance with R317-8-6.

(b) The burden is on the person requesting the variance to explain that:

1. Factor(s) listed in subsection (2) of this section regarding the discharger's facility are fundamentally different from the factors EPA considered in establishing the national limits. The person making the request shall refer to all relevant material and information, such as the published guideline regulations development document, all associated technical and economic data collected for use in developing each national limit, all records of legal proceedings, and all written and printed documentation including records of communication relevant to the regulations.

2. The alternative limitations requested are justified by the fundamental difference alleged in subparagraph l of this subsection; and

3. The appropriate requirements of subsection 2 of this section have been met.

7.4 CRITERIA FOR DETERMINING ALTERNATIVE EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS

(1) Purpose and scope. The factors, criteria and standards for the establishment of alternative thermal effluent limitations will be used in UPDES permits and will be referred to as R317-8-2.3(4) variances.

(2) Definitions. For the purpose of this section:

(a) "Alternative effluent limitations" means all effluent

limitations or standards of performance for the control of the thermal component of any discharge which are established under R317-8-2.3(4).

(b) "Representative important species" means species which are representative of a balanced, indigenous community of shellfish and wildlife in the body of water into which a discharge of heat is made.

(c) The term "balanced, indigenous community" means a biotic community typically characterized by diversity, the capacity to sustain itself through cyclic seasonal changes, presence of necessary food chain species and by a lack of domination by pollution tolerant species. Such a community may include historically non-native species introduced in connection with a program of wildlife management and species whose presence or abundance results from substantial, irreversible environmental modification. Normally, however, such a community will not include species whose presence or abundance is attributable to the introduction of pollutants that will be eliminated by compliance by all sources with R317-8-4.1(l)(6) and may not include species whose presence of abundance is attributable to alternative effluent limitations imposed pursuant to R317-8-2.3(4).

(3) Early screening of applications for R317-8-2.3(4) variance.

(a) Any initial application for the variance shall include the following early screening information:

1. A description of the alternative effluent limitation requested;

2. A general description of the method by which the discharger proposes to demonstrate that the otherwise applicable thermal discharge effluent limitations are more stringent than necessary;

3. A general description of the type of data, studies, experiments and other information which the discharger intends to submit for the demonstration; and

4. Such data and information as may be available to assist the Executive Secretary in selecting the appropriate representative important species.

(b) After submitting the early screening information under paragraph (a) of this subsection, the discharger shall consult with the Executive Secretary at the earliest practicable time, but not later than thirty (30) days after the application is filed, to discuss the discharger's early screening information. Within sixty (60) days after the application is filed, the discharger shall submit for the Executive Secretary's approval a detailed plan of study which the discharger will undertake to support its R317-8-2.3(4) demonstration. The discharger shall specify the nature and extent of the following type of information to be included in the plan of study: biological, hydrographical and meteorological data; physical monitoring data; engineering or diffusion models; laboratory studies: representative important species; and other relevant information. In selecting representative important species, special consideration shall be given to species mentioned in applicable water quality standards. After the discharger submits its detailed plan of study, the Executive Secretary will either approve the plan or specify any necessary revisions to the plan. The discharger shall provide any additional information or studies which the Executive Secretary subsequently determines necessary to support the demonstration, including such studies or inspections as may be necessary to select representative important species. The discharger may provide any additional information or studies which the discharger feels are appropriate to support the administration.

(c) Any application for the renewal of R317-8-2.3(4) variance shall include only such information described in R317-8-7.4(3)(a) and (b) and R317-8-6 as the Executive Secretary requests within sixty (60) days after receipt of the permit application.

(d) The Executive Secretary shall promptly notify the Secretaries of the U.S. Departments of Commerce and Interior and any affected state of the filing of the request and shall consider any timely recommendations they submit.

(e) In making the demonstration the discharger shall consider any information or guidance published by EPA to assist in making such demonstrations.

(f) If an applicant desires a ruling on a R317-8-2.7 (4) application before the ruling on any other necessary permit terms and conditions, it shall so request upon filing its application under paragraph (a) of this subsection. This request will be granted or denied at the discretion of the Executive Secretary.

(4) Criteria and standards for the determination of alternative effluent limitations.

(a) Thermal discharge effluent limitations or standards established in permits may be less stringent than those required by applicable standards and limitations if the discharger demonstrates to the satisfaction of the Executive Secretary that such effluent limitations are more stringent than necessary to assure the protection and propagation of a balanced, indigenous community of shellfish, fish and wildlife in and on the body of water into which the discharge is made. This demonstration shall show that the alternative effluent desired by the discharger, considering the cumulative impact of its thermal discharge together with all other significant impacts on the species affected, will assure the protection and propagation of a balanced indigenous community of shellfish, fish and wildlife in and on the body of water into which the discharge is to be made.

(b) In determining whether or not the protection and propagation of the affected species will be assured, the Executive Secretary may consider any information contained or referenced in any applicable thermal water quality criteria and information published by the Administrator under CWA section 304(a) (33 U.S.C. Section 1314(a)) or any other information which may be relevant.

(c) Existing dischargers may base their demonstration upon the absence of prior appreciable harm in lieu of predictive studies. Any such demonstrations shall show:

1. That no appreciable harm has resulted from the normal component of the discharge, taking into account the interaction of such thermal component with other pollutants and the additive effect of other thermal sources to a balanced, indigenous community of shellfish, fish and wildlife in and on the body of water into which the discharge has been made; or

2. That despite the occurrence of such previous harm, the desired alternative effluent limitations, or appropriate modifications thereof, shall nevertheless assure the protection and propagation of a balanced, indigenous community of shellfish, fish and wildlife in and on the body of water into which the discharge is made.

(5) In determining whether or not appreciable harm has occurred, the Executive Secretary will consider the length of time in which the applicant has been discharging and the nature of the discharge.

7.5 CRITERIA AND STANDARDS FOR BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES

(1) Purpose and Scope.

Best management practices (BMPs) for ancillary industrial activities shall be reflected in permits, including best management practices promulgated in effluent limitations and established on a case-by-case basis in permits.

(2) Definition.

"Manufacture" means to produce as an intermediate or final product, or by-product.

(3) Applicability of best management practices.

Dischargers who use, manufacture, store, handle or discharge any pollutant listed as toxic or any pollutant listed as

hazardous are subject to the requirements of R317-8-7.5 for all activities which may result in significant amounts of those pollutants reaching waters of the State. These activities are ancillary manufacturing operations including: Materials storage areas; in-plant transfer, process and material handling areas; loading and unloading operations; plant site runoff; and sludge and waste disposal areas.

(4) Permit terms and conditions.

(a) Best management practices shall be expressly incorporated into a permit where required by an applicable promulgated effluent limitations guideline;

(b) Best management practices may be expressly incorporated into a permit on a case-by-case basis where determined necessary. In issuing a permit containing BMP requirements, the Executive Secretary shall consider the following factors:

1. Toxicity of the pollutant(s);

2. Quantity of the pollutants(s) used, produced, or discharged;

3. History of UPDES permit violations;

4. History of significant leaks or spills of toxic or hazardous pollutants;

5. Potential for adverse impact on public health (e.g., proximity to a public water supply) or the environment (e.g., proximity to a sport or commercial fishery); and

6. Any other factors determined to be relevant to the control of toxic or hazardous pollutants.

(c) Best management practices may be established in permits under R317-8-7.5(4)(b) alone or in combination with those required under R317-8-7.5(4)(a).

(d) In addition to the requirements of R317-8-7.5(4)(a) and (b), dischargers covered under R317-8-7.5(4) shall develop and implement a best management practices program in accordance with R317-8-7.5(5) which prevents, or minimizes the potential for, the release of toxic or hazardous pollutants from ancillary activities to waters of the State.

(5) Best management practices programs.

(a) BMP programs shall be developed in accordance with good engineering practices and with the provisions of this subpart.

(b) The BMP program shall:

1. Be documented in narrative form, and shall include any necessary plot plans, drawings or maps;

2. Establish specific objectives for the control of toxic and hazardous pollutants.

a. Each facility component or system shall be examined for its potential for causing a release of significant amounts of toxic or hazardous pollutants to waters of the State due to equipment failure, improper operation, natural phenomena such as rain or snowfall.

b. Where experience indicates a reasonable potential for equipment failure (e.g., a tank overflow or leakage), natural condition (e.g., precipitation), or other circumstances to result in significant amounts of toxic or hazardous pollutants reaching surface waters, the program should include a prediction of the direction, rate of flow and total quantity of toxic or hazardous pollutants which could be discharged from the facility as a result of each condition or circumstance;

3. Establish specific best management practices to meet the objectives identified under R317-8-7.5(5)(b)2, addressing each component or system capable of causing a release of significant amounts of toxic or hazardous pollutants to the waters of the State;

4. The BMP program: a. May reflect requirements for Spill Prevention Control and Countermeasure (SPCC) plans under section 311 of the CWA and 40 CFR Part 151, and Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plans (SWPP),and may incorporate any part of such plans into the BMP program by reference;

b. Shall assure the proper management of solid and hazardous waste in accordance with regulations promulgated under the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act of 1976 (RCRA). Management practices required under RCRA regulations shall be expressly incorporated into the BMP program; and

c. Shall address the following points for the ancillary activities in R317-8-7.4A(3):

i. Statement of policy;

ii. Spill Control Committee;

iii. Material inventory;

iv. Material compatibility;

v. Employee training;

vi. Reporting and notification procedures;

vii. Visual inspections;

viii. Preventative maintenance;

ix. Housekeeping; and

x. Security.

5. The BMP program must be clearly described and submitted as part of the permit application. An application which does not contain a BMP program shall be considered incomplete. Upon receipt of the application, the Executive Secretary shall approve or modify the program in accordance with the requirements of this subpart. The BMP program as approved or modified shall be included in the draft permit. The BMP program shall be subject to the applicable permit issuance requirements of R317-8, resulting in the incorporation of the program (including any modifications of the program resulting from the permit issuance procedures) into the final permit.

6. Proposed modifications to the BMP program which affect the discharger's permit obligations shall be submitted to the Executive Secretary for approval. If the Executive Secretary approves the proposed BMP program modification, the permit shall be modified in accordance with R317-8-5.6, provided that the Executive Secretary may waive the requirements for public notice and opportunity for public hearing on such modification if he or she determines that the modification is not significant. The BMP program, or modification thereof, shall be fully implemented as soon as possible but not later than one year after permit issuance, modification, or revocation and reissuance unless the Executive Secretary specifies a later date in the permit.

(c) The discharger shall maintain a description of the BMP program at the facility and shall make the description available to the Executive Secretary upon request.

(d) The owner or operator of a facility subject to this subpart shall amend the BMP program in accordance with the provisions of this subpart whenever there is a change in facility design, construction, operation, or maintenance which materially affects the facility's potential for discharge of significant amounts of hazardous or toxic pollutants into the waters of the State.

(e) If the BMP program proves to be ineffective in achieving the general objective of preventing the release of significant amounts of toxic or hazardous pollutants to those waters and the specific objectives and requirements under R317-8-7.5(5)(b), the permit and/or the BMP program shall be subject to modification to incorporate revised BMP requirements.

7.6 TOXIC POLLUTANTS. References throughout the UPDES regulations establish specific requirements for discharges of toxic pollutants. Toxic pollutants are listed below:

(1) Acenaphthene
(2) Acrolein
(3) Acrylonitrile
(4) Aldrin/Dieldrin
(5) Antimony and compounds
(6) Arsenic and compounds
(7) Asbestos
(8) Benzene

(9) Benzidine
(10) Beryllium and compounds
(11) Cadmium and compounds
(12) Carbon tetrachloride
(13) Chlordane (technical mixture and metabolites)
(14) Chlorinated benzenes (other than dichlorobenzenes)
(15) Chlorinated ethanes (including 1,2-dichloroethan, 1,1,1-trichloroethane, and hexachloroethane)
(16) Chloroalkyl ethers (chloromethyl, chloroethyl, and moxed ethers)
(17) Chlorinated naphthalene
(18) Chlorinated phenols (other than those listed elsewhere; includes trichlorophenols and chlorinated cresols)
(19) Chloroform
(20) 2-chlorophenol
(21) Chromium and compounds
(22) Copper and compounds
(23) Cyanides
(24) DDT and metabolites
(25) Dichlorobenzenes (1,2-, 1,3-, and 1,4-dichlorobenzenes)
(26) Dichlorobenzidine
(27) Dichloroethylenes (1,1- and 1,2-dichloroethylene)
(28) 2,4-dimethylphenol
(29) Dichloropropane and dichloropropene
(30) 2,4-dimethylphenol
(31) Dinitrotoluene
(32) Diphenylhydrazine
(33) Endosulfan and metabolities
(34) Ethylbenzene
(35) Enthylbenzene
(36) Fluoranthene
(37) Haloethers (other than those listed elsewhere; includes chlorophenylphenyl ethers, bromophenylphenyl ether, bis(dichloroisopropyl) ether, bis-(chloroethoxy) methane and polychlorinated diphenyl ethers)
(38) Halomethanes (other than those listed elsewhere; includes methylene chloride, methylchloride, methylbromide, bromoform, dichlorobromomethane
(39) Heptachlor and metabolites
(40) Hexachlorobutadiene
(41) Hexachlorocyclohexane
(42) Hexachlorocyclopentadiene
(43) Isophorone
(44) Lead and compounds
(45) Mercury and compounds
(46) Naphthalene
(47) Nickel and compounds
(48) Nitrobenze
(49) Nitrophenols (including 2,4-dinitrophenol, dinitrocresol)
(50) Nitrosamines
(51) Pentachlorophenol
(52) Phenol
(53) Phthalate esters
(54) Polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs)
(55) Polynuclear aromatic hydrocarbons (including benzanthracenes, benzopyrenes, benzofluranthene, chrysenes, dibenzanthracenes, and indenopyrenes)
(56) Selenium and compounds
(57) Silver and compounds
(58) 2,3,7,8-tetrachloro/dibenzo-p-dioxin (TCDD)
(59) Tetrachloroethylene
(60) Thallium and compounds
(61) Toluene
(62) Toxaphene
(63) Trichloroethylene
(64) Vinyl chloride
(65) Zinc and compounds

7.7 CRITERIA FOR EXTENDING COMPLIANCE DATES FOR FACILITIES INSTALLING INNOVATIVE TECHNOLOGY

(1) Purpose and Scope. This Section establishes the criteria and procedures to be used in determining whether an industrial discharger will be granted a compliance extension for the installation of an innovative technology.

(2) Authority. The Executive Secretary, in consultation with the Administrator, may grant a compliance extension for BAT limitations to a discharger which installs an innovative technology. The innovative technology must produce either a significantly greater effluent reduction than that achieved by the best available technology economically achievable (BAT) or the same level of treatment as BAT at a significantly lower cost. The Executive Secretary is authorized to grant compliance extensions to a date no later than 2 years after the date for compliance with the effluent limitations which would otherwise be applicable.

(3) Definitions.

(a) The term "innovative technology" means a production process, a pollution control technique, or a combination of the two which satisfies one of the criteria in R317-8-7.8(4) and which has not been commercially demonstrated in the industry of which the requesting discharger is a part.

(b) The term "potential for industry-wide application" means that an innovative technology can be applied in two or more facilities which are in one or more industrial categories.

(c) The term "significantly greater effluent reduction than BAT" means that the effluent reduction over BAT produced by an innovative technology is significant when compared to the effluent reduction over best practicable control technology currently available (BPT) produced by BAT.

(d) The term "significantly lower cost" means that an innovative technology must produce a significant cost advantage when compared to the technology used to achieve BAT limitations in terms of annual capital costs and annual operation and maintenance expenses over the useful life of the technology.

(4) Request for Compliance Extension. The Executive Secretary shall grant a compliance extension to a date no later than 2 years after the date for compliance with the effluent limitations which would otherwise be applicable to a discharger that demonstrates:

(a) That the installation and operation of its proposed innovative technology at its facility will result in a significantly greater effluent reduction than BAT and has the potential for industry-wide application; or

(b) That the installation and operation of its proposed innovative technology at its facility will result in the same effluent reduction as BAT at a significantly lower cost and has the potential for industry-wide application.

(5) Permit conditions. The Executive Secretary may include any of the following conditions in the permit of a discharger to which a compliance extension beyond the otherwise applicable date is granted:

(a) A requirement that the discharger report annually on the installation, operation and maintenance costs of the innovative technology;

(b) Alternative BAT limitations that the discharger must meet as soon as possible and not later than 2 years after the date for compliance with the effluent limitation which would otherwise be applicable if the innovative technology limitations that are more stringent than BAT are not achievable.

(6) Signatories to Request for Compliance Extension.

(a) All requests must be signed in accordance with the provisions of R317-8-3.4.

(b) Any person signing a request under paragraph (a) of this section shall make the following certification:

"I certify under penalty of law that I have personally examined and am familiar with the information submitted in this

document and all attachments and that, based on my inquiry of those individuals immediately responsible for obtaining the information, I believe that the information is true, accurate and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment."

(c) A professional engineer shall certify that the estimates by the applicant of the costs for the BAT control equipment and for the innovative technology are made in accordance with good engineering practice and represent, in his judgment, the best information available. The Executive Secretary may waive the requirements for certification under this subsection if, in his opinion, the cost of such certification is unreasonable when compared to the annual sales of the applicant.

(7) Supplementary Information and Record keeping.

(a) In addition to the information submitted in support of the request, the applicant shall provide the Executive Director, at his or her request, such other information as the Executive Director may reasonably require to assess the performance and cost of the innovative technology.

(b) Applicants shall keep records of all data used to complete the request for a compliance extension for the life of the permit containing the compliance extension.

(8) Procedures.

(a) The procedure for requesting a section 301(k) compliance extension is contained in R317-8-2.8. In addition, notwithstanding R317-8-2.3(3), the Executive Secretary may accept applications for such extensions after the close of the public comment period on the permit if the applicant can show that information necessary to the development of the innovation was not available at the time the permit was written and that the innovative technology can be installed and operated in time to comply no later than 2 years after the date for compliance with the effluent limitation which would otherwise be applicable.

R317-8-8. Pretreatment.

8.1 APPLICABILITY

(1) This section applies to the following:

(a) Pollutants from non-domestic sources covered by Pretreatment Standards which are indirectly discharged, transported by truck or rail, or otherwise introduced into POTWs;

(b) POTWs which receive wastewater from sources subject to National Pretreatment Standards; and

(c) Any new or existing source subject to National Pretreatment Standards.

(2) National Pretreatment Standards do not apply to sources which discharge to a sewer which is not connected to a POTW.

8.2 DEFINITIONS. The following definitions pertain to indirect dischargers and POTWs subject to pretreatment standards and the UPDES program.

(1) "Approval Authority" means the Executive Secretary.

(2) "Approved POTW pretreatment program or Program or POTW Pretreatment Program" means a program administered by a POTW that meets the criteria established in R317-8-8.8 and 8.9 and which has been approved by the Executive Secretary in accordance with R317-8-8.10.

(3) "Best Management Practices or BMPs" means schedules of activities, prohibitions of practices, maintenance procedures and other management practices to implement the prohibitions listed in R317-8-8.5(1) and (3). BMPs also include treatment requirements, operating procedures and practices to control plant site runoff, spillage or leaks, sludge or waste disposal or drainage from raw materials storage.

(4) "Control Authority" means the POTW if the POTW's submission for its pretreatment program has been approved by the Executive Secretary in accordance with the requirements in R317-8-8.10 or the Executive Secretary if the submission has not been approved.

(5) "Indirect discharge" or "discharge" means the introduction of pollutants into a POTW from any non-domestic source regulated by the UPDES program.

(6) "Industrial User" or "User" means a source of indirect discharge.

(7) "Interference" means a discharge which, alone or in conjunction with a discharge or discharges from other sources both:

(a) Inhibits or disrupts the POTW, its treatment processes or operations, or its sludge processes, use or disposal; and

(b) Therefore is a cause of a violation of any requirement of the POTW's UPDES permit (including an increase in the magnitude or duration of a violation) or of the prevention of sewage sludge use or disposal in compliance with the following statutory provisions and regulations or permits issued thereunder.

(8) "National Pretreatment Standard, Pretreatment Standard or Standard" means any regulation containing pollutant discharge limits promulgated by EPA in accordance with section 307 (b) and (c) of the CWA, which applies to Industrial Users. This includes prohibitive discharge limits established pursuant to R317-8-8.5.

(9) "New Source" means any building, structure, facility, or installation from which there is or may be a discharge of pollutants, the construction of which commenced after publication of proposed Pretreatment Standards under section 307(c) of the (CWA) which will be applicable to such source, if such standards are thereafter promulgated in accordance with that section. See R317-8-8.3 for provisions applicable to this definition.

(10) "Pass through" means a discharge which exits the POTW into waters of the State in quantities or concentrations which, alone or in conjunction with a discharge or discharges from other sources, is a cause of violation of any requirement of the POTW's UPDES permit (including an increase in the magnitude or duration of violation).

(11) "POTW treatment plant" means that portion of the POTW which is designed to provide treatment, including recycling and reclamation of municipal sewage and industrial waste.

(12) "Pretreatment" means the reduction of the amount of pollutants, the elimination of pollutants or the alteration of the nature of pollutant properties in wastewater prior to or in lieu of discharging or otherwise introducing such pollutants into a POTW. The reduction or alteration may be obtained by physical, chemical or biological processes, process changes or by other means, except as prohibited by 40 CFR 403.6(d). Appropriate pretreatment technology includes control equipment, such as equalization tanks or facilities, for protection against surges or slug loading that might interfere with or otherwise be incompatible with the POTW. However, where wastewater from a regulated process is mixed in an equalization facility with unregulated wastewater or with wastewater from another regulated process, the effluent from the equalization facility must meet an adjusted pretreatment limit calculated in accordance with 40 CFR 403.6(e).

(13) "Pretreatment requirements" means any substantive or procedural requirements related to pretreatment, other than a National Pretreatment Standard, imposed on an Industrial User.

(14) The term "Publicly Owned Treatment Works" or "POTW" means a treatment works which is owned by State or municipality within the State. This definition includes any devices and systems used in the storage, treatment, recycling and reclamation of municipal sewage or industrial wastes of a liquid nature. It also includes sewers, pipes and other conveyances only if they convey wastewater to a POTW Treatment Plant. The term also means the municipality which

has jurisdiction over the Indirect Discharges to and the discharges from such a treatment works.

(15) "Significant Industrial User"

(a) Except as provided in R317-8-8.2(16)(b) and (c), the term Significant Industrial User means:

1. All Industrial Users subject to Categorical Pretreatment Standards under 40 CFR 403.6 and 40 CFR Parts 405 through 471; and

2. Any other Industrial User that discharges an average of 25,000 gallons per day or more of process wastewater to the POTW (excluding sanitary, noncontact cooling and boiler blowdown wastewater); contributes a process wastestream which makes up 5 percent or more of the average dry weather hydraulic or organic capacity of the POTW treatment plant; or designated as such by the Control Authority on the basis that the Industrial User has a reasonable potential for adversely affecting the POTW's operation or for violating any Pretreatment Standard or requirement.

(b) The Control Authority may determine that an Industrial User subject to Categorical Pretreatment Standards under 40 CFR 403.6 and 40 CFR chapter I, subchapter N is a Non-Significant Categorical Industrial User rather than a Significant Industrial User on a finding that the Industrial User never discharges more than 100 gallons per day (gpd) of total categorical wastewater (excluding sanitary, non-contact cooling and boiler blowdown wastewater, unless specifically included in the Pretreatment Standard) and the following conditions are met:

1. The Industrial User, prior to the Control Authority's finding, has consistently complied with all applicable Categorical Pretreatment Standards and Requirements;

2. The Industrial User annually submits the certification statement required in R317-8-8.11(14) together with any additional information necessary to support the certification statement; and

3. The Industrial User never discharges any untreated concentrated wastewater.

(c) Upon a finding that an Industrial User meeting the criteria in R317-8-8.2(15)(a)2. of this section has no reasonable potential for adversely affecting the POTW's operation or for violating any Pretreatment Standards or requirement, the Control Authority may at any time, on its own initiative or in response to a petition received from an Industrial User or POTW, and in accordance with R317-8-8.8(6)(b)12. , determine that such Industrial User is not a Significant Industrial User.

(16) "Submission" means

(a) a request by a POTW for approval of a pretreatment program to the Executive Secretary or

(b) a request by a POTW for authority to revise the discharge limits in Categorical Pretreatment Standards to reflect POTW pollutant removals.

8.3 PROVISIONS APPLICABLE TO DEFINITIONS. The following provisions are applicable to the definition of "New Source" provided that:

(1) The building, structure, facility or installation is constructed at a site at which no other source is located, or

(2) The building, structure, facility or installation totally replaces the process or production equipment that causes the discharge of pollutants at an existing source, or

(3) The production or wastewater generating process of the building, structure, facility or installation are substantially independent of an existing source at the same site. In determining whether these are substantially independent, factors such as the extent to which the new facility is integrated with the existing plant, and the extent to which the new facility is engaged in the same general type of activity as the existing source should be considered.

(4) Construction on a site at which an existing source is located results in a modification rather than a new source if the construction does not create a new building, structure, facility or installation meeting the criteria of R317-8-8.3(2) or (3) but otherwise alters, replaces, or adds to existing process or production equipment.

(5) construction of a new source as defined has commenced if the owner or operator has:

(a) Begun, or caused to begin as part of a continuous on-site construction program:

1. Any placement, assembly, or installation of facilities or equipment: or

2. Significant site preparation work including clearing, excavation, or removal of existing buildings, structures, or facilities which is necessary for the placement, assembly or installation of new source facilities or equipment: or

3. Entered into a binding contractual obligation for the purchase of facilities or equipment which are intended to be used in its operation within a reasonable time. Options to purchase or contracts which can be terminated or modified without substantial loss, and contracts for feasibility, engineering, and design studies do not constitute a contractual obligation.

8.4 LOCAL LAW. Nothing in this rule is intended to affect any pretreatment requirements, including any standards or prohibitions established by local law as long as the local requirements are not less stringent than any set forth in national pretreatment standards, or any other requirements or prohibitions established by the Executive Secretary.

8.5 NATIONAL PRETREATMENT STANDARDS: Prohibited Discharges

(1) General Prohibitions. Pollutants introduced into POTWs by a non-domestic source shall not pass through the POTW or interfere with the operation or performance of the works. These general prohibitions and the specific prohibitions in R317-8-8.5(3) apply to all non-domestic sources introducing pollutants into a POTW whether or not the source is subject to other National Pretreatment Standards or any national, State or local pretreatment requirements.

(2) Affirmative Defenses. A User shall have an affirmative defense in any action brought against it alleging a violation of the general prohibitions established in R317-8-8.5(1) and the specific prohibitions in R317-8-8.5(3)(c),(d),(e), and (g) where the User can demonstrate that:

(a) It did not know or have reason to know that its discharge, alone or in conjunction with a discharge or discharges from other sources, would cause pass through or interference; and

(b)1. A local limit designed to prevent pass through and/or interference, as the case may be, was developed in accordance with R317-8-8.5(4) for each pollutant in the User's discharge that caused pass through or interference, and the User was in compliance with each such local limit directly prior to and during the pass through or interference; or

2. If a local limit designed to prevent pass through and/or interference, as the case may be, has not been developed in accordance with R317-8-8.5(4) for the pollutant(s) that caused the pass through or interference, the User's discharge directly prior to and during the pass through or interference did not change substantially in nature or constituents from the User's prior discharge activity when the POTW was regularly in compliance with the POTW's UPDES permit requirements and, in the case of interference, applicable requirements for sewage sludge use or disposal.

(3) Specific Prohibitions. In addition, the following pollutants shall not be introduced into a POTW:

(a) Pollutants which create a fire or explosion hazard in the POTW, including, but not limited to, wastestreams with a closed cup flashpoint of less than 140 degrees Fahrenheit or 60 degrees Centigrade using the test methods specified in R315-2-1.

(b) Pollutants which will cause corrosive structural damage to the POTW, but in no case discharges with pH lower than 5.0, unless the works is specifically designed to accommodate such discharges;

(c) Solid or viscous pollutants in amounts which will cause obstruction to the flow in the POTW resulting in interference;

(d) Any pollutant, including oxygen demanding pollutants (BOD, etc.) released in a discharge at a flow rate and/or pollutant concentration which will cause interference with the POTW:

(e) Heat in amounts which will inhibit biological activity in the POTW resulting in interference, but in no case heat in such quantities that the temperature at the POTW treatment plant exceeds 40 degrees C (104 degrees F) unless the Executive Secretary, upon request of the POTW, approves alternate temperature limits.

(f) Petroleum oil, nonbiodegradable cutting oil, or products of mineral oil origin in amounts that will cause interference or pass through;

(g) Pollutants which result in the presence of toxic gases, vapors, or fumes within the POTW in a quantity that may cause acute worker health and safety problems; and

(h) Any trucked or hauled pollutants, except at discharge points designated by the POTW.

(4) When specific limits must be developed by POTW.

(a) POTWs developing POTW pretreatment programs shall develop and enforce specific limits to implement the prohibitions listed in R317-8-8.5(1) and R317-8-8.5(3). Each POTW with an approved pretreatment program shall continue to develop these limits as necessary and effectively enforce such limits;

(b) All other POTWs shall, in cases where pollutants contributed by User(s) result in interference or pass-through, and such violation is likely to recur, develop and enforce specific effluent limits for Industrial User(s), and all other users, as appropriate, which, together with appropriate changes in the POTW treatment plant's facilities or operation, are necessary to ensure renewed and continued compliance with the POTW's UPDES permit or sludge use or disposal practices;

(c) Specific effluent limits shall not be developed and enforced without individual notice to persons or groups who have requested such notice and an opportunity to respond.

(5) Local Limits. Where specific prohibitions or limits on pollutants or pollutant parameters are developed by a POTW in accordance with R317-8-8.5(4), such limits shall be deemed pretreatment standards for purposes of 19-5-108 of the Utah Water Quality Act.

(6) State enforcement actions. If, within 30 days after notice of an interference or pass through violation has been sent by the Executive Secretary to the POTW, and to persons or groups who have requested such notice, the POTW fails to commence appropriate enforcement action to correct the violation, the Executive Secretary may take appropriate enforcement action.

(7) POTWs may develop Best Management Practices (BMPs) to implement R317-8-8.5(4)(a) and (b). Such BMPs shall be considered local limits and Pretreatment Standards for the purposes of this part and section 307(d) of the CWA

8.6 NATIONAL PRETREATMENT STANDARDS: Categorical Standards

40 CFR 403.6 is incorporated by reference as indicated in R317-8-1.10(4)

(1) In addition to the general prohibitions in R317-8-8.5(1), all indirect dischargers shall comply with national pretreatment standards in 40 CFR Chapter I, Subchapter N. Compliance shall be required within the time specified in the appropriate subpart of Subchapter N.

(2) Industrial Users may request the Executive Secretary to provide written certification on whether an Industrial User falls within a particular subcategory. The Executive Secretary will act upon that request in accordance with the procedures in 40 CFR 403.6.

(3) Limitations for Industrial Users will be imposed in accordance with 40 CFR 403.6 (c) - (e).

8.7 REMOVAL CREDITS. POTWs may revise pollutant discharge limits specified in Categorical Pretreatment Standards to reflect removal of pollutants by the POTW. Revisions must be made in accordance with the provisions of 40 CFR 403.7.

8.8 POTW PRETREATMENT PROGRAMS: Development by POTW

(1) POTW required to develop a pretreatment program. Any POTW, or combination of POTWs operated by the same authority, with a total design flow greater than 5 million gallons per day (mgd) and receiving from Industrial Users pollutants which pass through or interfere with the operation of the POTW or are otherwise subject to pretreatment standards shall be required to establish a POTW pretreatment program unless the Executive Secretary exercises the option to assume local responsibility as provided for in R317-8-8.8(6)(b)13. The Executive Secretary may require that a POTW with a design flow of 5 mgd or less develop a POTW pretreatment program if it is found that the nature or volume of the industrial influent, treatment process upsets, violations of POTW effluent limitations, contamination of municipal sludge, or other circumstances so warrant in order to prevent interference or pass through.

(2) Deadline for Program Approval. POTWs identified as being required to develop a POTW pretreatment program under R317-8-8.8(1) shall develop and submit such a program for approval as soon as possible, but in no case later than one year after written notification from the Executive Secretary of such identification. The POTW pretreatment program shall meet the criteria set forth in R317-8-8.8(6) and shall be administered by the POTW to ensure compliance by Industrial Users with applicable pretreatment standards and requirements.

(3) Incorporation of Approved Programs in Permits. A POTW may develop an approvable POTW pretreatment program any time before the time limit set forth in R317-8-8.8(2). The POTW's UPDES permit will be modified under R317-8-5.6(3)(g) to incorporate the approved program conditions as enforceable conditions of the permit.

(4) Incorporation of Compliance Schedules in Permits. If the POTW does not have an approved pretreatment program at the time the POTWs existing permit is reissued or modified, the reissued or modified permit will contain the shortest reasonable compliance schedule, not to exceed three years, for the approval of the legal authority, procedures and funding required by paragraph (6) of this subsection.

(5) Cause for Reissuance or Modification of Permits. The Executive Secretary may modify or revoke and reissue a POTW's permit in order to:

(a) Put the POTW on a compliance schedule for the development of a POTW pretreatment program where the addition of pollutants into a POTW by an Industrial User or combination of Industrial Users presents a substantial hazard to the functioning of the treatment works, quality of the receiving waters, human health, or the environment;

(b) Coordinate the issuance of a CWA Section 201 construction grant with the incorporation into a permit of a compliance schedule for POTW pretreatment program;

(c) Incorporate an approved POTW pretreatment program in the POTW permit;

(d) Incorporate a compliance schedule for the development of a POTW pretreatment program in the POTW permit.

(e) Incorporate a modification of the permit approved under R317-8-5.6; or

(f) Incorporate the removal credits established under R317-8-8.7.

(6) Pretreatment Program Requirements: Development and Implementation by POTW. A POTW pretreatment program must be based on the following legal authority and include the following procedures. These authorities and procedures shall at all times be fully and effectively exercised and implemented.

(a) Legal authority. The POTW shall operate pursuant to legal authority enforceable in Federal, State or local courts which authorizes or enables the POTW to apply and to enforce the requirements of this section. The authority may be contained in a statute, ordinance, or series of contracts or joint powers agreements which the POTW is authorized to enact, enter into or implement, and which are authorized by State law. At a minimum, this legal authority shall enable the POTW to:

1. Deny or condition new or increased contributions of pollutants, or changes in the nature of pollutants, to the POTW by Industrial Users where such contributions do not meet applicable pretreatment standards and requirements or where such contributions would cause the POTW to violate its UPDES permit;

2. Require compliance with applicable pretreatment standards and requirements by Industrial Users;

3. Control, through permit, order or similar means, the contribution to the POTW by each Industrial User to ensure compliance with applicable pretreatment standards and requirements. In the case of Industrial Users identified as significant under R317-8-8.2(15), this control shall be achieved through permits or equivalent individual control mechanisms issued to each such User. Such control mechanisms must be enforceable and contain, at a minimum, the following conditions:

a. At the discretion of the POTW:

i. This control may include use of general control mechanisms if the following conditions are met. All of the facilities to be covered must:

A. Involve the same or substantially similar types of operations;

B. Discharge the same types of wastes;

C. Require the same effluent limitations;

D. Require the same or similar monitoring; and

E. In the opinion of the POTW, are more appropriately controlled under a general control mechanism than under individual control mechanisms.

ii. To be covered by the general control mechanism, the Significant Industrial User must file a written request for coverage that identifies its contact information, production processes, the types of wastes generated, the location for monitoring all wastes covered by the general control mechanism, any requests in accordance with R317-8-8.11(4)(b) for a monitoring waiver for a pollutant neither present nor expected to be present in the discharge, and any other information the POTW deems appropriate. A monitoring waiver for a pollutant neither present nor expected to be present in the discharge is not effective in the general control mechanism until after the POTW has provided written notice to the Significant Industrial User that such a waiver request has been granted in accordance with R317-8-8.11(4)(b). The POTW must retain a copy of the general control mechanism, documentation to support the POTW's determination that a specific Significant Industrial User meets the criteria in R317-8-8.8(6)(a)3.a.i.A. through E., and a copy of the User's written request for coverage for 3 years after the expiration of the general control mechanism. A POTW may not control a Significant Industrial User through a general control mechanism where the facility is subject to production-based Categorical Pretreatment Standards or Categorical Pretreatment Standards expressed as mass of pollutant discharged per day or for Industrial Users whose limits are based on the combined wastestream formula or Net/Gross calculations (40 CFR 403.6(e) and 40 CFR 403.15).

b. Both individual and general control mechanisms must be enforceable and contain, at a minimum, the following conditions:

i. Statement of duration (in no case more than five years);

ii. Statement of non-transferability without, at a minimum, prior notification to the POTW and provision of a copy of the existing control mechanism to the new owner or operator;

iii. Effluent limits, including Best Management Practices, based on applicable general pretreatment standards, Categorical Pretreatment Standards, local limits and State and local law;

iv. Self-monitoring, sampling, reporting, notification and record keeping requirements, including identification of the pollutants to be monitored (including the process for seeking a waiver for a pollutant neither present nor expected to be present in the discharge in accordance with R317-8-8.11(4)(b), or a specific waived pollutant in the case of an individual control mechanism), sampling location, sampling frequency, and sample type, based on the applicable general pretreatment standards, Categorical Pretreatment Standards, local limits, and State and local law;

v. Statement of applicable civil and criminal penalties for violation of pretreatment standards and requirements, and any applicable compliance schedule. Such schedules may not extend the compliance date beyond applicable federal deadlines; and

vi. Requirements to control Slug Discharges, if determined by the POTW to be necessary.

4. Require the development of a compliance schedule by each Industrial User for the installation of technology required to meet applicable pretreatment standards and requirements; including but not limited to the reports required in R317-8-8.11 of this section;

5. Require the submission of all notices and self-monitoring reports from Industrial Users as are necessary to assess and assure compliance by Industrial Users with pretreatment standards and requirements;

6. Carry out all inspection, surveillance and monitoring procedures necessary to determine, independent of information supplied by Industrial Users, compliance or noncompliance with applicable pretreatment standards and requirements by Industrial Users. Representatives of the POTW shall be authorized to enter any premises of any Industrial User in which a discharge source or treatment system is located or in which records are required to be kept under R317-8-8.11 of this section to assure compliance with pretreatment standards. Such authority shall be at least as extensive as the authority provided under Section 19-5-106(4) of the Utah Water Quality Act.

7. Obtain remedies for noncompliance by any Industrial User with any pretreatment standard and requirement. A POTW shall be able to seek injunctive relief for noncompliance and shall have authority to seek or assess civil or criminal penalties in at least the amount of $1,000 a day for each violation of pretreatment standards and requirements by Industrial Users. POTWs whose approved pretreatment programs require modification to conform to the requirements of this paragraph shall submit a request for approval of a program modification in accordance with Section R317-8-8.16 by November 16, 1989.

8. Pretreatment requirements enforced through the remedies set forth in R317-8-8.8(6)(a)7. shall include, but not be limited to, the duty to allow or carry out inspection entry or monitoring activities; any rules, regulations or orders issued by the POTW; any requirements set forth in individual control mechanisms issued by the POTW; or any reporting requirements imposed by the POTW or R317-8-8. The POTW shall have authority and procedures (after informal notice to the discharger) immediately and effectively to halt or prevent any discharge of pollutants to the POTW which reasonably appears to present an imminent danger to the health or welfare of persons. The POTW shall also have authority and procedures

(which shall include notice to the affected Industrial User and opportunity to respond) to halt or prevent any discharge to the POTW which presents or may present a danger to the environment or which threatens to interfere with the operation of the POTW. The Executive Secretary shall have authority to seek judicial relief for noncompliance by Industrial Users when the POTW has acted to seek such relief but has sought a penalty which the Executive Secretary finds to be insufficient. The procedures for notice to dischargers where the POTW is seeking ex parte temporary judicial injunctive relief will be governed by applicable State or Federal law and not by this provision, and will comply with the confidentiality requirements set forth in R317-8-3.3.

(b) Procedures. The POTW shall develop and implement procedures to ensure compliance with the requirements of a pretreatment program. At a minimum, these procedures shall enable the POTW to:

1. Identify and locate all possible Industrial Users which might be subject to the POTW pretreatment program. Any compilation, index or inventory of Industrial Users made under this paragraph shall be made available to the Executive Secretary upon request;

2. Identify the character and volume of pollutants contributed to the POTW by the Industrial User identified under R317-8-8.8(6)(b)1. This information shall be made available to the Executive Secretary upon request;

3. Notify Industrial Users identified under R317-8-8.8(6)(b)1. of applicable pretreatment standards and any other applicable requirements. Within 30 days of approval of a list of significant industrial users, notify each Significant Industrial User of its status as such and of all requirements applicable to it as a result of such status.

4. Receive and analyze self-monitoring reports and other notices submitted by Industrial Users in accordance with the requirements of R317-8-8.11.

5. Randomly sample and analyze the effluent from Industrial Users and conduct surveillance and inspection activities in order to identify, independent of information supplied by Industrial Users, occasional and continuing noncompliance with pretreatment standards. Inspect and sample the effluent from each Significant Industrial User at least once a year except as otherwise specified below:

a. Where the POTW has authorized the Industrial User subject to a Categorical Pretreatment Standard to forego sampling of a pollutant regulated by a Categorical Pretreatment Standard in accordance with R317-8-8.11(4)(c), the POTW must sample for the waived pollutant(s) at least once during the term of the Categorical Industrial User's control mechanism. In the event that the POTW subsequently determines that a waived pollutant is present or is expected to be present in the Industrial User's wastewater based on changes that occur in the User's operations, the POTW must immediately begin at least annual effluent monitoring of the User's Discharge and inspection.

b. Where the POTW has determined that an Industrial User meets the criteria for classification as a Non-Significant Categorical Industrial User, the POTW must evaluate, at least once per year, whether an Industrial User continues to meet the criteria in R317-8-8.2(15)(b),

c. In the case of Industrial Users subject to reduced reporting requirements under R317-8-8.11(4)(c), the POTW must randomly sample and analyze the effluent from Industrial Users and conduct inspections at least once every two years. If the Industrial User no longer meets the conditions for reduced reporting in R317-8-8.11(4)(c), the POTW must immediately begin sampling and inspecting the Industrial User at least once a year.

6. Evaluate, at least once every two years, whether each such Significant Industrial User needs a plan to control slug discharges. For purposes of this subsection, a slug discharge is any discharge of a non-routine, episodic nature, including but not limited to an accidental spill or a non-customary batch discharge, which has a reasonable potential to cause interference or pass through, or in any other way violate the POTW's regulations, local limits or Permit conditions. The results of such activities shall be available to the Executive Secretary upon request. Significant Industrial Users are required to notify the POTW immediately of any changes at its facility affecting potential for a slug discharge. Significant Industrial Users must be evaluated within one year of being designated a Significant Industrial User. If the POTW decides that a slug control plan is needed, the plan shall contain, at a minimum, the following elements:

a. Description of discharge practices, including non-routine batch discharges;

b. Description of stored chemicals;

c. Procedures for immediately notifying the POTW of slug discharges, including any discharge that would violate a prohibition under R317-8-8.5 with procedures for follow-up written notification within five days;

d. If necessary, procedures to prevent adverse impact from accidental spills, including inspection and maintenance of storage areas, handling and transfer of materials, loading and unloading operations, control of plant site run-off, worker training, building of containment structures or equipment, measures for containing toxic organic pollutants (including solvents), and/or measures and equipment for emergency response. The results of these activities shall be made available to the Executive Secretary upon request;

7. Investigate instances of noncompliance with pretreatment standards and requirements, as indicated in the reports and notices required by R317-8-8.11, or indicated by analysis, inspection, and surveillance activities. Sample taking and analysis and the collection of other information shall be performed with sufficient care to produce evidence admissible in enforcement proceedings or in judicial actions;

8. Comply with all applicable public participation requirements of State law and rules. These procedures shall include provision for at least annually providing public notification, in the largest daily newspaper published in the municipality in which the POTW is located, of Industrial Users which, at anytime during the previous 12 months, were in significant noncompliance with applicable pretreatment requirements. For the purposes of this provision, an Industrial User is in significant noncompliance if its violation meets one or more of the following criteria:

a. Chronic violations of wastewater discharge limits, defined here as those in which sixty-six percent or more of all of the measurements taken during a six month period exceed (by any magnitude) a numeric Pretreatment Standard or Requirement including instantaneous limits, for the same pollutant parameter;

b. Technical Review Criteria (TRC) violations, defined here as those in which thirty-three percent or more of all of the measurements for each pollutant parameter taken during a six-month period equal or exceed the product of the numeric Pretreatment Standard or Requirement including instantaneous limit multiplied by the applicable TRC. TRC = 1.4 for BOD, TSS, fats, oil and grease, and 1.2 for all other pollutants except pH;

c. Any other violation of a pretreatment effluent limit (daily maximum or longer-term average) that the Control Authority determines has caused, alone or in combination with other discharges, interference or pass through (including endangering the health of POTW personnel or the general public);

d. Any discharge of a pollutant that has caused imminent endangerment to human health, welfare or to the environment or has resulted in the POTW's exercise of its emergency

authority under R317-8-8.8(6)(a)8. to halt or prevent such a discharge:

e. Failure to meet, within 90 days after the schedule date, a compliance schedule milestone contained in a local control mechanism or enforcement order for starting construction, completing construction, or attaining final compliance:

f. Failure to provide within 45 days after the due date, required reports such as baseline monitoring reports, 90-day compliance reports, periodic self-monitoring reports, and reports on compliance with compliance schedules;

g. Failure to accurately report noncompliance; and

h. Any other violation or group of violations, which may include a violation of Best Management Practices, which the Control Authority determines will adversely affect the operation or implementation of the local pretreatment program.

9. Funding. The POTW shall have sufficient resources and qualified personnel to carry out all required authorities and procedures. In some limited circumstances, funding and personnel may be delayed by the Executive Secretary when the POTW has adequate legal authority and procedures to carry out the pretreatment program requirements and a limited aspect of the program does not need to be implemented immediately.

10. Local Limits. The POTW shall develop local limits as required in section R317-8-8.5(4)(a) or demonstrate that they are not necessary.

11. Enforcement Response Plan. The POTW shall develop and implement an enforcement response plan. This plan shall contain detailed procedures indicating how the POTW will investigate and respond to instances of industrial user noncompliance. The plan shall, at a minimum;

a. Describe how the POTW will investigate instances of noncompliance;

b. Describe the types of escalating enforcement responses the POTW will take in response to all anticipated types of industrial user violations and the time periods within which responses will take place;

c. Identify (by title) the official(s) responsible for each type of response;

d. Adequately reflect the POTW's primary responsibility to enforce all applicable pretreatment requirements and standards, as detailed in R317-8-8.8(6)(a) and (b).

12. List of Industrial Users. The POTW shall prepare a list of its Industrial Users meeting the criteria of R317-8-8.2(15)(a). The list shall identify the criteria in R317-8-8.2(15)(a) applicable to each Industrial User and, for Industrial Users meeting the criteria in R317-8-8.2(15)(a), shall also indicate whether the POTW has made a determination pursuant to R317-8-8.2(15)(b) that such Industrial User should not be considered a Significant Industrial User. This list and any subsequent modifications thereto, shall be submitted to the Executive Secretary as a nonsubstantial program modification. Discretionary designations or de-designations by the Control Authority shall be deemed to be approved by the Executive Secretary 90 days after submission of the list or modifications thereto, unless the Executive Secretary determines that a modification is in fact a substantial modification.

13. State Program in Lieu of POTW Program. Notwithstanding the provision of R317-8-8.8(1), the State may assume responsibility for implementing the POTW pretreatment program requirements set forth in R317-8-8.8(6) in lieu of requiring the POTW to develop a pretreatment program. However, this does not preclude POTW's from independently developing pretreatment programs.

(7) A POTW that chooses to receive electronic documents must satisfy the requirements of 40 CFR Part 3 - (Electronic reporting).

8.9 POTW PRETREATMENT PROGRAMS AND/OR AUTHORIZATION TO REVISE PRETREATMENT STANDARDS: SUBMISSION FOR APPROVAL

(1) Who Approves the Program. A POTW requesting approval of a POTW pretreatment program shall develop a program description which includes the information set forth in R317-8-8.9(2)(a),(b),(c) and (d). This description shall be submitted to the Executive Secretary, who will make a determination on the request for program approval in accordance with the procedure described in R317-8-8.10.

(2) Contents of POTW Program Submission.

(a) The program submission shall contain a statement from the city attorney or a city official acting in comparable capacity or the attorney for those POTWs which have independent legal counsel, that the POTW has authority adequate to carry out the programs described in R317-8-8.8. This statement shall:

1. Identify the provision of the legal authority under R317-8-8.8(6)(a) which provides the basis for each procedure under R317-8-8.8(6)(b);

2. Identify the manner in which the POTW will implement the program requirements set forth in R317-8-8.8 including the means by which pretreatment standards will be applied to individual Industrial Users (e.g., by order, permit, ordinance, etc.); and

3. Identify how the POTW intends to ensure compliance with pretreatment standards and requirements, and to enforce them in the event of noncompliance by Industrial Users.

(b) The program submission shall contain a copy of any statutes, ordinances, regulations, agreements, or other authorities relied upon by the POTW for its administration of the program. This submission shall include a statement reflecting the endorsement or approval of the local boards or bodies responsible for supervising and/or funding the POTW pretreatment program if approved.

(c) The program submission shall contain a brief description, including organization charts, of the POTW organization which will administer the pretreatment program. If more than one agency is responsible for administration of the program the responsible agencies should be identified, their respective responsibilities delineated and their procedures for coordination set forth.

(d) The program submission shall contain a description of the funding levels and full and part time manpower available to implement the program.

(3) Conditional POTW Program Approval. The POTW may request conditional approval of the pretreatment program pending the acquisition of funding and personnel for certain elements of the program. The request for conditional approval shall meet the requirements of R317-8-8.9(2) of this subsection except that the requirements of this section may be relaxed if the submission demonstrates that:

(a) A limited aspect of the program does not need to be implemented immediately;

(b) The POTW had adequate legal authority and procedures to carry out those aspects of the program which will not be implemented immediately; and

(c) Funding and personnel for the program aspects to be implemented at a later date will be available when needed. The POTW shall describe in the submission the mechanism by which this funding will be acquired. Upon receipt of a request for conditional approval, the Executive Secretary will establish a fixed date for the acquisition of the needed funding and personnel. If funding is not acquired by this date the conditional approval of the POTW pretreatment program and any removal allowances granted to the POTW may be modified or withdrawn.

(4) Content of Removal Credit Submission. The request for authority to revise Categorical Pretreatment Standards shall contain the information required in 40 CFR 403.7(d).

(5) Approval Authority Action. A POTW requesting POTW pretreatment program approval shall submit to the Executive Secretary three copies of the submission described in

R317-8-8.9(2), and if appropriate R317-8-8.9(4). Within 60 days after receiving a submission, the Executive Secretary shall make a preliminary determination of whether the submission meets the requirements of this section. Upon a preliminary determination that the submission meets the requirements of this section, the Executive Secretary will:

(a) Notify the POTW that the submission has been received and is under review; and

(b) Commence the public notice and evaluation activities set forth in R317-8-8.10.

(6) Notification Where Submission is Defective. If, after review of the submission as provided for in paragraph (5) above, the Executive Secretary determines that the submission does not comply with the requirements of R317-8-8.9(2), (3) and, if appropriate, (4), the Executive Secretary will provide notice in writing to the applying POTW and each person who has requested individual notice. This notification will identify any defects in the submission and advise the POTW and each person who has requested individual notice of the means by which the POTW can comply with the applicable requirements of R317-8-8.9(2), (3) and, if appropriate, (4).

(7) Consistency With Water Quality Management Plans.

(a) In order to be approved, the POTW pretreatment program shall be consistent with any approved water quality management plan, when the plan includes management agency designations and addresses pretreatment in a manner consistent with R317-8-8. In order to assure such consistency, the Executive Secretary will solicit the review and comment of the appropriate water quality planning agency during the public comment period provided for in R317-8-8.10(2)(a)2. prior to approval or disapproval of the program.

(b) Where no plan has been approved or when a plan has been approved but lacks management agency designations and/or does not address pretreatment in a manner consistent with this section, the Executive Secretary will solicit the review and comment of the appropriate 208 planning agency.

8.10 APPROVAL PROCEDURES FOR POTW PRETREATMENT PROGRAMS AND POTW GRANTING OF REMOVAL CREDITS. The following procedure will be adopted in approving or denying requests for approval of POTW pretreatment programs and applications for removal credit authorization.

(1) Deadline for Review of Submission. The Executive Secretary will have 90 days from the date of public notice of a submission complying with the requirements of R317-8-8.9(2), and where removal credit authorization is sought with the requirements of 40 CFR 403.7(e) and R317-8-8.9(4) to review the submission. The Executive Secretary shall review the submission to determine compliance with the requirements of R317-8-8.8(2) and (6), and where removal credit is sought, with R317-8-8.7. The Executive Secretary may have up to an additional 90 days to complete the evaluation of the submission if the public comment period provided for in R317-8-8.10(2)(a)2. is extended beyond thirty (30) days or if a public hearing is held as provided for in R317-8-8.10(2)(b). In no event, however, will the time for evaluation of the submission exceed a total of 180 days from the date of public notice of a submission meeting the requirements of R317-8-8.9(2) and, in the case of a removal credit application 403.7(e) and R317-8-8.9(2).

(2) Public Notice and Opportunity for Public Hearing. Upon receipt of a submission the Executive Secretary will commence his review. Within 20 days after making a determination that a submission meets the requirements of R317-8-8.9(2), and when a removal credit authorization is sought under 40 CFR 403.7(d) and R317-8-8.7 the Executive Secretary will:

(a) Issue a public notice of request for approval of the submission:

1. This public notice will be circulated in a manner designed to inform interested and potentially interested persons of the submission. Procedures for the circulation of public notice will include: mailing notices of the request for approval of the submission to designated CWA section 208 planning agencies, federal and state fish, shellfish, and wildlife resource agencies (unless such agencies have asked not to be sent the notices); and to any other person or group who has requested individual notice, including those on appropriate mailing lists; and publication of a notice of request for approval of the submission in the largest daily newspaper within the jurisdiction served by the POTW.

2. The public notice will provide a period of not less than 30 days following the date of the public notice during which time interested persons may submit their written views on the submission;

3. All written comments submitted during the 30-day comment period will be retained by the Executive Secretary and considered in the decision on whether or not to approve the submission. The period for comment may be extended at the discretion of the Executive Secretary.

(b) The Executive Secretary will also provide an opportunity for the applicant, any affected State, any interested state or federal agency, person or group of persons to request a public hearing with respect to the submission.

1. This request for public hearing shall be filed within the thirty (30) day or extended comment period described in R317-8-8.10(2)(a)2. of this subsection and will indicate the interest of the person filing such a request and the reasons why a hearing is warranted.

2. The Executive Secretary will hold a public hearing if the POTW so requests. In addition, a hearing will be held if there is a significant public interest in issues relating to whether or not the submission should be approved. Instances of doubt will be resolved in favor of holding the hearing.

3. Public notice of a public hearing to consider a submission and sufficient to inform interested parties of the nature of the hearing and right to participate will be published in the same newspaper as the notice of the original request. In addition, notice of the hearing will be sent to those persons requesting individual notice.

(3) Executive Secretary Decision. At the end of the thirty (30) day or extended comment period and within the ninety (90) day or extended period provided for in R317-8-8.10(1) of this section, the Executive Secretary will approve or deny the submission based upon the evaluation in R317-8-8.10(1) and taking into consideration comments submitted during the comment period and the record of the public hearing, the Executive Secretary will so notify the POTW and each person who has requested individual notice. If the Approval Authority makes a determination to deny the request, the Approval Authority shall so notify the POTW and each person who has requested individual notice. This notification will include suggested modification and the Executive Secretary may allow the requestor additional time to bring the submission into compliance with applicable requirements.

(4) EPA Objection to Executive Secretary's Decision. No POTW pretreatment program or authorization to grant removal allowances will be approved by the Executive Secretary if following the thirty (30)-day or extended evaluation period provided for in R317-8-8.10(2)(a)2. and any public hearing held pursuant to this section, the Regional Administrator sets forth in writing objections to the approval of such submission and the reasons for such objections. A copy of the Regional Administrator's objections will be provided to the applicant and to each person who has requested individual notice. The Regional Administrator shall provide an opportunity for written comments and many convene a public hearing on his or her objections. Unless retracted, the Regional Administrator's

objections shall constitute a final ruling to deny approval of a POTW pretreatment program or authorization to grant removal allowances 90 days after the date the objections are issued.

(5) Notice of Decision. The Executive Secretary will notify those persons who submitted comments and participated in the public hearing, if held, of the approval or disapproval of the submission. In addition, the Executive Secretary will cause to be published a notice of approval or disapproval in the same newspapers as the original notice of request was published. The Executive Secretary will identify any authorization to modify Categorical Pretreatment Standards which the POTW may make for removal of pollutants subject to the pretreatment standards.

(6) Public Access to Submission. The Executive Secretary will ensure that the submission and any comments on the submission are available to the public for inspection and copying.

8.11 REPORTING REQUIREMENTS FOR POTWS AND INDUSTRIAL USERS

(1) Reporting Requirement for Industrial Users Upon Effective Date of Categorical Pretreatment Standards Baseline Report. Within 180 days after the effective date of a Categorical Pretreatment Standards or 180 days after the final administrative decision made upon a category determination submission under R317-8-8.6, whichever is later, existing Industrial Users subject to such Categorical Pretreatment Standards and currently discharging to or scheduled to discharge to a POTW shall be required to submit to the Control Authority a report which contains the information listed in paragraphs (a) through (g) of this Section. Where reports containing this information have already been submitted to the Executive Secretary, the Industrial User will not be required to submit this information again. At least 90 days prior to commencement of discharge, new sources and sources that become Industrial Users subsequent to promulgation of an applicable Categorical Standards, shall be required to submit to the Control Authority a report which contains the information listed in R317-8-8.11(1)(a)through (e). New sources shall also be required to include in this report information on the method of pretreatment the source intends to use to meet applicable pretreatment standards. New Sources shall give estimates of the information requested in R317-8-8.11(1)(d) and (e).

(a) Identifying Information. The User shall submit the name and address of the facility, including the name of the operator and owners.

(b) Permits. The User shall submit a list of any environmental control permits held by or for the facility.

(c) Description of Operations. The User shall submit a brief description of the nature, average rate of production and Standard Industrial Classification of the operation carried out by the Industrial User. This description should include a schematic process diagram which indicates points of discharge to the POTW from the regulated process.

(d) Flow measurement. The User shall submit information showing the measured average daily and maximum daily flow, in gallons per day, to the POTW from each of the following: regulated process streams and other streams as necessary to allow use of the combined wastestream formula (see Section 40 CFR 403.6(e)). The Control Authority may allow for verifiable estimates of these flows where justified by cost or feasibility considerations.

(e) Measurement of pollutants.

1. The User shall identify the pretreatment standards applicable to each regulated process.

2. The User shall submit the results of sampling and analysis identifying the nature and concentration, or mass, of regulated pollutants in the discharge from each regulated process when required by the standard or the Control Authority. Both daily maximum and average concentration or mass, where required shall be reported. The sample shall be representative of daily operations. In cases where the Standard requires compliance with a Best Management Practice or pollution prevention alternative, the User shall submit documentation as required by the Control Authority or the applicable standards to determine compliance with the Standard;

3. The User shall take a minimum of one representative sample to compile that data necessary to comply with the requirements of R317-8-8.11.

4. Samples shall be taken immediately downstream from pretreatment facilities if such exist or immediately downstream from the regulated process if no pretreatment exists. If other wastewaters are mixed with the regulated wastewater prior to pretreatment the User should measure the flows and concentrations necessary to allow use of the combined wastestream formula in order to evaluate compliance with the pretreatment standards. When an alternate concentration or mass limit has been calculated in accordance with the combined wastestream formula this adjusted limit along with supporting data shall be submitted to the Control Authority.

5. Sampling and analysis shall be performed in accordance with the techniques prescribed in 40 CFR 136 and amendments thereto. When 40 CFR 136 does not contain sampling or analytical techniques for the pollutant in question, or when the Administrator determines that the 40 CFR 136 sampling and analytical techniques are inappropriate for the pollutant in question, sampling and analysis shall be performed by using validated analytical methods or any other applicable sampling and analytical procedures, including procedures suggested by the POTW or other parties, approved by the Administrator.

6. The Control Authority may allow the submission of a baseline report which utilizes only historical data so long as the data provides information sufficient to determine the need for industrial pretreatment measures.

7. The baseline report shall indicate the time, date and place of sampling, and methods of analysis, and shall certify that such sampling and analysis is representative of normal work cycles and expected pollutant discharges to the POTW.

(f) Certification. The User shall submit a statement, reviewed by an authorized representative of the Industrial User and certified by a qualified professional, indicating whether pretreatment standards are being met on a consistent basis and, if not, whether additional operation and maintenance and/or additional pretreatment is required for the Industrial User to meet the pretreatment standards and requirements.

(g) Compliance Schedule. If additional pretreatment and/or operation and maintenance are required to meet the pretreatment standards, the Industrial User shall submit the shortest schedule by which the Industrial User will provide such additional pretreatment and/or operation and maintenance. The completion date in this schedule shall not be later than the compliance date established for the applicable pretreatment standard.

1. When the Industrial User's Categorical Pretreatment Standards has been modified by a removal allowance under R317-8-8.7, the combined wastestream formula under R317-8-8.6,or by a fundamentally different factors variance under R317-8-8.15 at the time the User submits the report required by R317-8-8.11(1), the information required by R317-8-8.11(1)(f) and (g) shall pertain to the modified limits.

2. If the Categorical Pretreatment Standards is modified by a removal allowance under R317-8-8.7, the combined wastestream formula under R317-8-8.6, or by a fundamentally different factors variance under 40 CFR 403.13 after the User submits the report required by R317-8-8.11(1), any necessary amendments to the information requested by R317-8-8.11(1)(f) and (g) shall be submitted by the User to the Control Authority within 60 days after the modified limit is approved.

(2) Compliance Schedule for Meeting Categorical Pretreatment Standards. The following conditions shall apply

to the schedule required by R317-8-8.11(1)(g):

(a) The schedule shall contain increments of progress in the form of dates for the commencement and completion of major events leading to the construction and operation of additional pretreatment required for the Industrial User to meet the applicable Categorical Pretreatment Standards e.g., hiring an engineer, completing preliminary plans, completing final plans, executing contract for major components, commencing construction, completing construction, etc.);

(b) No increment referred to in paragraph (a) of above shall exceed 9 months;

(c) Not later than 14 days following each date in the schedule and the final date for compliance, the Industrial User shall submit a progress report to the Control Authority including, at a minimum, whether or not it complied with the increment of progress to be met on that date and, if not, the date on which it expects to comply with this increment of progress, the reason for delay, and the steps being taken by the Industrial User to return the construction to the schedule established. In no event shall more than 9 months elapse between such progress reports to the Control Authority;

(3) Report on Compliance with Categorical Pretreatment Standard Deadline. Within 90 days following the date for final compliance with applicable Categorical Pretreatment Standards or in the case of a new source following commencement of the introduction of wastewater into the POTW, any Industrial User subject to pretreatment standards and requirements shall submit to the Control Authority a report containing the information described in R317-8-8.11(1)(d), e), and (f). For Industrial Users subject to equivalent mass or concentration limits established by the Control Authority in accordance with the procedures in R317-8-8.6 this report shall contain a reasonable measure of the User's long term production rate. For all other Industrial Users subject to Categorical Pretreatment Standards expressed in terms of allowable pollutant discharge per unit of production (or other measure of operation), this report shall include the User's actual production during the appropriate sampling period.

(4) Periodic Reports on Continued Compliance.

(a) Any Industrial User subject to a Categorical Pretreatment Standards (except a Non-Significant Categorical User as defined in R317-8-8.2(15)(b) after the compliance date of such pretreatment standard or, in the case of a new source, after commencement of the discharge into the POTW, shall submit to the Control Authority during the months of June and December, unless required more frequently in the pretreatment standard or by the Executive Secretary, a report indicating the nature and concentration of pollutants in the effluent which are limited by such Categorical Pretreatment Standards. In addition, this report shall include a record of measured or estimated average and maximum daily flows for the reporting period for the discharge reported in R317-8-8.11(1)(d) of this section except that the Control Authority may require more detailed reporting of flows. In cases where the Pretreatment Standard requires compliance with a Best Management Practice (or pollution prevention alternative), the User shall submit documentation required by the Control Authority or the Pretreatment Standard necessary to determine the compliance status of the User. At the discretion of the Control Authority and in consideration of such factors as local high or low flow rates, holidays, budget cycles, etc., the Control Authority may agree to alter the months during which the above reports are to be submitted.

(b) The Control Authority may authorize the Industrial User subject to a Categorical Pretreatment Standard to forego sampling of a pollutant regulated by a Categorical Pretreatment Standard if the Industrial User has demonstrated through sampling and other technical factors that the pollutant is neither present nor expected to be present in the Discharge, or is present only at background levels from intake water and without any increase in the pollutant due to activities of the Industrial User. This authorization is subject to the following conditions:

1. The Control Authority may authorize a waiver where a pollutant is determined to be present solely due to sanitary wastewater discharged from the facility provided that the sanitary wastewater is not regulated by an applicable Categorical Standard and other wise includes no process wastewater.

2. The monitoring waiver is valid only for the duration of the effective period of the Permit or other equivalent individual control mechanism, but in no case longer than 5 years. The User must submit a new request for the waiver before the waiver can be granted for each subsequent control mechanism.

3. In making a demonstration that a pollutant is not present, the Industrial User must provide data from at least one sampling of the facility's process wastewater prior to any treatment present at the facility that is representative of all wastewater from all processes.

The request for a monitoring waiver must be signed in accordance with paragraph (11) of this section and include the certification statement in 40 CFR 403.6(a)(2)ii. Non-detectable sample results may only be used as a demonstration that a pollutant is not present if the EPA approved method from 40 CFR part 136 with the lowest minimum detection level for that pollutant was used in the analysis.

4. Any grant of the monitoring waiver by the Control Authority must be included as a condition in the User's Control mechanism. The reasons supporting the waiver and any information submitted by the User in its request for the waiver must be maintained by the Control Authority for 3 years after expiration of the waiver.

5. Upon approval of the monitoring waiver and revision of the User's control mechanism by the Control Authority, the Industrial User must certify on each report with the statement below, that there has been no increase in the pollutant in its wastestream due to activities of the Industrial User:

"Based on my inquiry of the person or persons directly responsible for managing compliance with the Pretreatment Standard for 40 CFR ..... (specify applicable National Pretreatment Standard part(s)), I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, there has been no increase in the level of .....(list pollutant(s)) in the wastewaters due to the activities at the facility since filing of the last periodic report under R317-8-8.11(4)(a)."

6. In the event that a waived pollutant is found to be present or is expected to be present based on changes that occur in the User's operations, the User must immediately: Comply with the monitoring requirements of paragraph (4)(a) of this section or other more frequent monitoring requirements imposed by the Control Authority; and notify the Control Authority.

7. This provision does not supersede certification processes and requirements established in Categorical Pretreatment Standards, except as otherwise specified in the Categorical Pretreatment Standard.

(c) The Control Authority may reduce the requirement in paragraph (4)(a) of this section to a requirement to report no less frequently than once a year, unless required more frequently in the Pretreatment Standard or by the Approval Authority, where the Industrial User meets all of the following conditions:

1. The Industrial User's total categorical wastewater flow does not exceed any of the following:

a. 0.01 percent of the design dry weather hydraulic capacity of the POTW, or 5,000 gallons per day, whichever is smaller, as measured by a continuous effluent flow monitoring device unless the Industrial User discharges in batches;

b. 0.01 percent of the design dry weather organic treatment capacity of the POTW; and

c. 0.01 percent of the maximum allowable headworks

loading for any pollutant regulated by the applicable Categorical Pretreatment Standard for which approved local limits were developed by a POTW in accordance with R317-8-8.5(4) and paragraph (3) of this section;

2. The Industrial User has not been in significant noncompliance, as defined in R317-8-8.8(6)(b)8. for any time in the past two years;

3. The Industrial User does not have daily flow rates, production levels, or pollutant levels that vary so significantly that decreasing the reporting requirement for this Industrial User would result in data that are not representative of conditions occurring during the reporting period pursuant to paragraph (6)(c) of this section;

4. The Industrial User must notify the Control Authority immediately of any changes at its facility causing it to no longer meet conditions of paragraph (4)(c)1. or 2. of this section. Upon notification, the Industrial User must immediately begin complying with the minimum reporting in paragraph (4)(a) of this section; and

5. The Control Authority must retain documentation to support the Control Authority's determination that a specific Industrial User qualifies for reduced reporting requirements under paragraph (4)(c) of this section for a period of 3 years after the expiration of the term of the control mechanism.

(d) For Industrial Users subject to equivalent mass or concentration limits established by the Control Authority in accordance with the procedures in R317-8-8.6 the report required by R317-8-8.11(4)(a) shall contain a reasonable measure of the User's long term production rate. For all other Industrial Users subject to Categorical Pretreatment Standards expressed only in terms of allowable pollutant discharge per unit of production (or other measure of operation), the report required by R317-8-11(4)(a) shall include the User's actual average production rate for the reporting period.

(5) Notice of Potential Problems Including Slug Loading. All categorical and non-categorical Industrial Users shall notify the POTW immediately of all discharges that could cause problems to the POTW, including any slug loadings, as defined in R317-8-8.5.

(6) Monitoring and Analysis to Demonstrate Continued Compliance.

(a) Except in the case of Non-Significant Categorical User, the reports required in R317-8-8.11(1), (3), (4) and (8) shall contain the results of sampling and analysis of the discharge, including the flow, the nature and concentration, or production and mass where requested by the Control Authority, of pollutants contained therein which are limited by the applicable pretreatment standards. This sampling and analysis may be performed by the Control Authority in lieu of the Industrial User. Where the POTW performs the required sampling and analysis in lieu of the Industrial User, the User will not be required to submit the compliance certification. In addition, where the POTW itself collects all the information required for the report, including flow data, the Industrial User will not be required to submit the report.

(b) If sampling performed by an Industrial User indicates a violation, the User shall notify the Control Authority within 24 hours of becoming aware of the violation. The User shall also repeat the sampling and analysis and submit the results of the repeat analysis to the Control Authority within 30 days after becoming aware of the violation. Where the Control Authority has performed the sampling and analysis in lieu of the Industrial User , the Control Authority must perform the repeat sampling and analysis unless it notifies the User of the violation and requires the User to perform the repeat analysis. Resampling is not required if;

1. The Control Authority performs sampling at the Industrial User at a frequency of at least once per month, or

2. The Control Authority performs sampling at the User between the time when the initial sampling was conducted and the time when the User or the Control Authority receives the results of this sampling.

(c) The reports required in this section shall be based upon data obtained through appropriate sampling and analysis performed during the period covered by the report, which data is representative of conditions occurring during the reporting period. The Control Authority shall require that frequency of monitoring necessary to assess and assure compliance by Industrial Users with applicable Pretreatment Standards and Requirements. Grab samples must be used for pH, cyanide, total phenols, oil and grease, sulfide, and volatile organic compounds. For all other pollutants, 24-hour composite samples must be obtained through flow-proportional composite sampling techniques, unless time proportional composite sampling or grab sampling is authorized by the Control Authority. Where time-proportional composite sampling or grab sampling is authorized by the Control Authority, the samples must be representative of the Discharge and the decision to allow the alternative sampling must be documented in the Industrial User file for that facility or facilities. Using protocols (including appropriate preservation) specified in 40 CFR part 136 and appropriate EPA guidance, multiple grab samples collected during a 24-hour period may be composited prior to the analysis as follows: For cyanide, total phenols, and sulfides the samples may be composited in the laboratory or in the field; for volatile organics and oil and grease the samples may be composited in the laboratory. Composite samples for other parameters unaffected by the compositing procedures as documented in approved EPA methodologies may be authorized by the Control Authority, as appropriate.

(d) For sampling required in support of baseline monitoring and 90-day compliance reports, a minimum of four grab samples must be used for pH, cyanide, total phenols, oil and grease, sulfide, and volatile organics compounds for facilities which historical sampling data do not exist; for facilities for which historical sampling data are available, the Control Authority may authorize a lower minimum. For the reports required by paragraphs (4) and (8) of this section, the Control Authority shall require the number of grab samples necessary to assess and assure compliance by Industrial Users with Applicable Pretreatment Standards and Requirements.

(e) All analyses shall be performed in accordance with procedures contained in 40 CFR 136 or with any other test procedures approved by the Administrator. Sampling shall be performed in accordance with the techniques approved by the Administrator. Where 40 CFR 136 does not include sampling or analytical techniques are inappropriate for the pollutant in question, sampling and analyses shall be performed using validated analytical methods or any other sampling and analytical procedures, including procedures suggested by the POTW or other parties and approved by the Administrator.

(f) If an Industrial User subject to the reporting requirement in R317-8-8.11(4) or (8) monitors any pollutant more frequently than required by the Control Authority, using the procedures prescribed in, R317-8-8.11(6)(e), the results of this monitoring shall be included in the report.

(7) Compliance Schedule for POTWs. The following conditions and reporting requirements shall apply to the compliance schedule for development of an approvable POTW pretreatment program.

(a) The schedule shall contain increments of progress in the form of dates for the commencement and completion of major events leading to the development and implementation of a POTW pretreatment program.

(b) No increment referred to in paragraph (a) above shall exceed nine months.

(c) Not later than 14 days following each date in the schedule and the final date for compliance, the POTW shall

submit a progress report to the Executive Secretary including, as a minimum, whether or not it complied with the increment of progress to be met on such date and, if not, the date on which it expects to comply with this increment of progress, the reason for delay, and the steps taken by the POTW to return to the schedule established. In no event shall more than nine months elapse between such progress reports to the Executive Secretary.

(8) Reporting requirements for Industrial User not subject to Categorical Pretreatment Standards. The Control Authority shall require appropriate reporting from those Industrial Users with discharges that are not subject to Categorical Pretreatment Standards. Significant Noncategorical Industrial Users shall submit to the Control Authority at least once every six months (on dates specified by the Control Authority) a description of the nature, concentration, and flow of the pollutants required to be reported by the Control Authority. In cases where a local limit requires compliance with a Best Management Practice or pollution prevention alternative, the User must submit documentation required by the Control Authority to determine the compliance status of the User. These reports shall be based on sampling and analysis performed in the period covered by the report and performed in accordance with the techniques described in 40 CFR 136 and amendments thereto. Where 40 CFR 136 does not contain sampling or analytical techniques for the pollutant in question, or where the Executive Secretary determines that the 40 CFR 136 sampling and analytical techniques are inappropriate for the pollutant in question, sampling and analysis shall be performed by using validated analytical methods or any other applicable sampling and analytical procedures, including procedures suggested by the POTW or other persons, approved by the Administrator. This sampling and analysis may be performed by the Control Authority in lieu of the significant noncategorical Industrial User. Where the POTW itself collects all the information required for the report, the noncategorical significant Industrial User will not be required to submit the report.

(9) Annual POTW reports. POTWs with approved pretreatment programs shall provide the Executive Secretary with a report that briefly describes the POTW's program activities, including activities of all participating agencies, if more than one jurisdiction is involved in the local program. The report required by this section shall be submitted no later than one year after approval of the POTW's pretreatment program and at least annually thereafter, and shall include, at a minimum, the following:

(a) An updated list of the POTW's Industrial Users, including their names and addresses, or a list of deletions and additions keyed to a previously submitted list. The POTW shall provide a brief explanation of each deletion. This list shall identify which Industrial Users are subject to Categorical Pretreatment Standards and specify which standards are applicable to each Industrial User. The list shall indicate which Industrial Users are subject to local standards that are more stringent than the Categorical Pretreatment Standards. The POTW shall also list the Industrial Users that are subject only to local requirements. The list must also identify Industrial Users subject to Categorical Pretreatment Standards that are subject to reduced reporting requirements under paragraph (4)(c), and identify which Industrial Users are Non-Significant Categorical Industrial Users.

(b) A summary of the status of Industrial User compliance over the reporting period;

(c) A summary of compliance and enforcement activities (including inspections) conducted by the POTW during the reporting period;

(d) A summary of changes to the POTW's pretreatment program that have not been previously reported to the Approval Authority; and

(e) Any other relevant information requested by the Executive Secretary.

(10) Notification of changed discharge. All Industrial Users shall promptly notify the POTW in advance of any substantial change in the volume or character of pollutants in their discharge including the listed or characteristic hazardous wastes for which the Industrial User has submitted initial notification under R317-8-8.11(14)(d).

(11) Signatory Requirements for Industrial User Reports. The reports required by R317-8-8.11(1), (3) and (4) shall include the certification statement as set forth in 40 CFR and 403.6(a)(2)(ii) and shall be signed as follows;

(a) By a responsible corporate officer if the Industrial User submitting the reports is a corporation. A responsible corporate officer means:

1. A president, secretary, treasurer, or vice-president of the corporation in charge of a principal business function, or any other person who performs similar policy or decision-making functions for the corporation, or

2. The manager of one or more manufacturing, production, or operation facilities provided, the manager is authorized to make management decisions which govern the operation of the regulated facility including having the explicit or implicit duty of making major capital investment recommendations, and initiate and direct other comprehensive measures to assure long-term environmental compliance with environmental laws and regulations; can ensure that the necessary systems are established or actions taken to gather complete and accurate information for control mechanism requirements; and where authority to sign documents has been assigned or delegated to the manager in accordance with corporate procedures.

(b) By a general partner or proprietor if the Industrial User submitting the reports is a partnership or sole proprietorship respectively.

(c) By a duly authorized representative of the individual designated in paragraph (a) or (b) above, if;

1. The authorization is made in writing by the individual described in paragraph (a) or (b) above.

2. The authorization specifies either an individual or a position having responsibility for the overall operation of the facility from which the Industrial Discharge originates, such as the position of plant manager, operator of a well, or well field superintendent, or a position of equivalent responsibility, or having overall responsibility for environmental matters for the company; and

3. The written authorization is submitted to the Control Authority.

(d) If an authorization is no longer accurate because a different individual or position has responsibility for the overall operation of the facility, or overall responsibility for environmental matters for the company, a new authorization satisfying the requirements must be submitted to the Control Authority prior to or together with any reports to be signed by an authorized representative.

(12) Signatory Requirements for POTW Reports. Reports submitted to the Executive Secretary by the POTW in accordance with R317-8-8.11(7) and (9) shall be signed by a principal executive officer, ranking elected official or other duly authorized employee. The duly authorized employee must be an individual or position having responsibility for the overall operation of the facility or the Pretreatment Program. This authorization must be made in writing by the principal executive officer or ranking elected official, and submitted to the Approval Authority prior to or together with the report being submitted.

(13) Provisions Governing Fraud and False Statements. The reports and other documents required to be submitted or maintained by R317-8-8.11(1), (3), (4), (7), (8), (11) and (12) shall be subject to the Utah Water Quality Act as amended and all other State and Federal laws pertaining to fraud and false

statements.

(14) Record-Keeping Requirements.

(a) Any Industrial User and POTW subject to the reporting requirements established in this subsection shall maintain records of all information resulting from any monitoring activities required by this section, including documentation associated with Best Management Practices. Such records shall include for all samples:

1. The date, exact place, method, and time of sampling and the names of the person or persons taking the samples;

2. The dates and times analyses were performed;

3. Who performed the analyses;

4. The analytical techniques or methods used; and

5. The results of the analyses.

(b) Any Industrial User or POTW subject to these reporting requirements established in this section (including documentation associated with Best Management Practices shall be required to retain for a minimum of 3 years any records of monitoring activities and results, whether or not such monitoring activities are required by this section, and shall make such records available for inspection and copying by the Executive Secretary, and by the POTW in the case of an Industrial User. This period of retention shall be extended during the course of any unresolved litigation regarding the Industrial User or POTW or when requested by the Executive Secretary.

(c) A POTW to which reports are submitted by an Industrial User pursuant to R317-8-8.11 shall retain such reports for a minimum of 3 years and shall make such reports available for inspection and copying by the Executive Secretary. This period of retention shall be extended during the course of any unresolved litigation regarding the discharge of pollutants by the Industrial User or the operation of the POTW pretreatment program or when requested by the Executive Secretary.

(d) Notification to POTW by Industrial User.

1. The Industrial User shall notify the Executive Secretary, the POTW, and State hazardous waste authorities in writing of any discharge into the POTW of a substance, which if otherwise disposed of, would be a hazardous waste under R315-2. Such notification must include the name of the hazardous waste as set forth in R315-2, the EPA hazardous waste number, and the type of discharge (continuous, batch, or other). If the Industrial User discharges more than 100 kilograms of such waste per calendar month to the POTW, the notification shall also contain the following information to the extent such information is known and readily available to the Industrial User: An identification of the hazardous constituents contained in the wastes, an estimation of the mass and concentration of such constituents in the wastestream discharged during that calendar month and an estimation of the mass of constituents in the wastestream expected to be discharged during the following twelve months. All notifications must take place within 180 days of the effective date of this rule. Industrial Users who commence discharging after the effective date of this rule shall provide the notification no later than 180 days after the discharge of the listed or characteristic hazardous waste. Any notification under this paragraph need be submitted only once for each hazardous waste discharged. However, notifications of changed discharges must be submitted under R317-8-8.11(10). The notification requirement in this section does not apply to pollutants already reported under the self-monitoring requirements of R317-8-8.11(1), (3), and (4).

2. Dischargers are exempt from the requirements of R317-8-8.11(14)(d) during a calendar month in which they discharge no more than fifteen kilograms of hazardous wastes, unless the wastes are acute hazardous wastes as specified in R315-2. Discharge of more than fifteen kilograms of non-acute hazardous wastes in a calendar month, or of any quantity of acute hazardous wastes as specified in 40 R315-2, requires a one-time notification. Subsequent months during which the Industrial User discharges more than such quantities of any hazardous waste do not require additional notification.

3. In the case of any new regulations adopted by EPA or the Utah Solid and Hazardous Waste Board identifying additional characteristics of hazardous waste or listing any additional substance as a hazardous waste, the Industrial User must notify the POTW, the EPA Regional Waste Management Division Director, and State hazardous waste authorities of the discharge of such substance within 90 days of the effective date of such regulations.

4. In the case of notification made under R317-8-8.11(14)(d), the Industrial User shall certify that it has a program in place to reduce the volume and toxicity of hazardous wastes generated to the degree it has determined to be economically practical.

(15) Annual certification by Non-Significant Categorical Industrial Users. A facility determined to be a Non-Significant Categorical Industrial User pursuant to R317-8-8.2(15)(b) must annually submit the following certification statement, signed in accordance with the signatory requirements in paragraph (11) of this section. This certification must accompany any alternative report required by the Control Authority:

"Based on my inquiry of the person or persons directly responsible for managing compliance with the Categorical Pretreatment Standards under 40 CFR (state section), I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief that during the period from (include start of reporting date) to (include end of reporting date):

The facility described as (include facility name) met the definition of a Non-Significant Categorical Industrial User as described in R317-8-8.2(15)(b), the facility complied with all applicable Pretreatment Standards and requirements during this reporting period; and the facility never discharged more than 100 gallons of total categorical wastewater on any given day during this reporting period." This compliance certification is based upon the following information: (include information required by the control mechanism)

(15) The Control Authority that chooses to receive electronic documents must satisfy the requirements of 40 CFR Part 3 - (Electronic reporting).

8.12 CONFIDENTIALITY OF INFORMATION. Any information submitted to the Executive Secretary pursuant to these regulations may be claimed as confidential by the person making the submission. Any such claim must be asserted at the time of submission in the manner prescribed on the application form or instructions, or, in the case of other submissions, by stamping the words "confidential business information" on each page containing such information. If no claim is made at the time of submission, the Executive Secretary may make the information available to the public without further notice. If a claim is asserted, the information will be treated in accordance with the procedures in the 40 CFR Part 2. Information and data provided to the Executive Secretary pursuant to this part which is effluent data shall be available to the public without restriction. All other information which is submitted to the State or POTW shall be available to the public at least to the standards of 40 CFR 2.302.

8.13 NET/GROSS CALCULATION. Categorical Pretreatment Standards may be adjusted to reflect the presence of pollutants in an Industrial User's intake water in accordance with this section.

(1) Application. Any Industrial User wishing to obtain credit for intake pollutants must make application to the Control Authority. Upon request of the Industrial User, the applicable standard will be calculated on a "net" basis (i.e., adjusted to reflect credit for pollutants in the intake water) if the requirements of R317-8-8.13(2) are met.

(2) Criteria

(a) Either:

1. The applicable Categorical Pretreatment Standards contained in 40 CFR subchapter N specifically provide that they shall be applied on a net basis, or

2. The Industrial User must demonstrate that the control system it proposes or uses to meet applicable Categorical Pretreatment Standards would, if properly installed and operated, meet the standards in the absence of pollutants in the intake water.

(b) Credit for generic pollutants such as biochemical oxygen demand (BOD), total suspended solids (TSS) and oil and grease should not be granted unless the Industrial User demonstrates that the constituents of the generic measure in the User's effluent are substantially similar to the constituents of the generic measure in the intake water or unless appropriate additional limits are placed on process water pollutants either at the outfall or elsewhere.

(c) Credit shall be granted only to the extent necessary to meet the applicable Categorical Pretreatment Standard(s), up to a maximum value equal to the influent value. Additional monitoring may be necessary to determine eligibility for credits and compliance with standard(s) adjusted under this section.

(d) Credit shall be granted only if the User demonstrates that the intake water is drawn from the same body of water as that into which the POTW discharges. The Control Authority may waive this requirement if it finds that no environmental degradation will result.

8.14 UPSET PROVISION

(1) Definition. "Upset" as used in this subsection means an exceptional incident in which there is unintentional and temporary noncompliance with Categorical Pretreatment Standards because of factors beyond the reasonable control of the Industrial User. An upset does not include noncompliance to the extent caused by operational error, improperly designed treatment facilities, inadequate treatment facilities, lack of preventive maintenance, or careless or improper operation.

(2) Effect of an Upset. An upset constitutes an affirmative defense to an action brought for noncompliance with Categorical Pretreatment Standards if the requirements of R317-8-8.14(3) are met.

(3) Conditions Necessary for a Demonstration of Upset. An Industrial User who wishes to establish the affirmative defense of upset shall demonstrate, through properly signed, contemporaneous operating logs, or other relevant evidence that:

(a) An upset occurred and the Industrial User can identify the cause(s) of the upset;

(b) The facility was at the time being operated in a prudent and workmanlike manner and in compliance with applicable operation and maintenance procedures;

(c) The Industrial User has submitted the following information to the POTW and Control Authority within 24 hours of becoming aware of the upset or if this information is provided orally, a written submission within five days:

1. A description of the indirect discharge and cause of noncompliance;

2. The period of noncompliance, including exact dates and times or, if not corrected, the anticipated time the noncompliance is expected to continue;

3. Steps being taken and/or planned to reduce, eliminate and prevent recurrence of the noncompliance.

(4) Burden of Proof. In any enforcement proceeding the Industrial User seeking to establish the occurrence of an upset shall have the burden of proof.

(5) Reviewability of Agency Consideration of Claims of Upset. In the usual exercise of prosecutorial discretion, State enforcement personnel will review any claims that noncompliance was caused by an upset. No determinations made in the course of the review constitutes final agency action subject to judicial review. Industrial Users will have the opportunity for a judicial determination on any claim of upset only in an enforcement action brought for noncompliance with Categorical Pretreatment Standards.

(6) User responsibility in case of upset. The Industrial User shall control production or discharges to the extent necessary to maintain compliance with Categorical Pretreatment Standards upon reduction, loss or failure of its treatment facility until the facility is restored or an alternative method of treatment is provided. This requirement applies in the situation where, among other things, the primary source of power of the treatment facility is reduced, lost or fails.

8.15 BYPASS PROVISION

(1) Definitions.

(a) "Bypass" means the intentional diversion of wastestreams from any portion of an Industrial User's treatment facility.

(b) "Severe property damage" means substantial physical damage to property, damage to the treatment facilities which causes them to become inoperable, or substantial and permanent loss of natural resources which can reasonably be expected to occur in the absence of a bypass. Severe property damage does not mean economic loss caused by delays in production.

(2) Bypass not violating applicable pretreatment standards or requirements. An Industrial User may allow any bypass to occur which does not cause pretreatment standards or requirements to be violated, but only if it also is for essential maintenance to assure efficient operation. These bypasses are not subject to the provisions of R317-8-8.15(3) and (4).

(3) Notice.

(a) If an Industrial User knows in advance of the need for a bypass, it shall submit prior notice to the Control Authority, if possible at least ten days before the date of the bypass.

(b) An Industrial User shall submit oral notice of an unanticipated bypass that exceeds applicable pretreatment standards to the Control Authority within 24 hours from the time the Industrial User becomes aware of the bypass. A written submission shall also be provided within 5 days of the time the Industrial User becomes aware of the bypass. The written submission shall contain a description of the bypass and its cause; the duration of the bypass, including exact dates and times and if the bypass has not been corrected, the anticipated time it is expected to continue; and steps taken or planned to reduce, eliminate, and prevent reoccurrence of the bypass. The Control Authority may waive the written report on a case-by-case basis if the oral report has been received within 24 hours.

(4) Prohibition of bypass.

(a) Bypass is prohibited and the Control Authority may take enforcement action against an Industrial User for a bypass, unless:

1. Bypass was unavoidable to prevent loss of life, personal injury, or severe property damage;

2. There were no feasible alternatives to the bypass, such as the use of auxiliary treatment facilities, retention of untreated waters, or maintenance during normal periods of equipment downtime. This condition is not satisfied if adequate back-up equipment should have been installed in the exercise of reasonable engineering judgment to prevent a bypass which occurred during normal periods of equipment downtime or preventative maintenance; and

3. The Industrial User submitted notices as required under R317-8-8.15(3).

(b) The Control Authority may approve an anticipated bypass, after considering its adverse effects, if the Control Authority determines that it will meet the three conditions listed in R317-8-8.15(4)(a).

8.16 MODIFICATION OF POTW PRETREATMENT PROGRAMS

(1) General. Either the Executive Secretary or a POTW with an approved POTW Pretreatment Program may initiate

program modification at any time to reflect changing conditions at the POTW. Program modification is necessary whenever there is a significant change in the operation of a POTW pretreatment program that differs from the information in the POTW's submission, as approved under Section R317-8-8.10.

(2) Procedures. POTW pretreatment program modifications shall be accomplished as follows:

(a) For substantial modifications, as defined in R317-8-8.16(3):

1. The POTW shall submit to the Executive Secretary a statement of the basis for the desired modification, a modified program description or such other documents the Executive Secretary determines to be necessary under the circumstances.

2. The Executive Secretary shall approve or disapprove the modification based on its regulatory requirements of R317-8-8.8(6) and using the procedures in R317-10(2) through (6), except as provided in paragraphs (2)4. of this section. The modification shall become effective upon approval by the Executive Secretary.

3. The modification shall be incorporated into the POTW's UPDES permit after approval. The permit will be modified to incorporate the approved modification in accordance with R317-8-5.6(3)(g).

4. The Approval Authority need not publish a notice of decision provided: The notice of request for approval states that the request will be approved if no comments are received by a date specified in the notice; no substantive comments are received; and the request is approved without change.

(b) The POTW shall notify the Executive Secretary of any other (i.e. non-substantial) modifications to its pretreatment program at least 45 days prior to when they are to be implemented by the POTW, in a statement similar to that provided for in R317-8-8.16(2)(a)1. Such non-substantial program modifications shall be deemed to be approved by the Executive Secretary, unless the Executive Secretary determines that a modification submitted is in fact a substantial modification, 90 days after the submission of the POTW's statement. Following such "approval" by the Executive Secretary such modifications shall be incorporated in the POTW's permit in accordance with R317-8-5.6(2)(g). If the Executive Secretary determines that a modification reported by a POTW is in fact a substantial modification, the Executive Secretary shall notify the POTW and initiate the procedures in R317-8-8.16(2)(a).

(3) Substantial modifications.

(a) The following are substantial modifications for purposes of this section:

1. Changes to the POTW's legal authorities;

2. Changes to local limits, which result in less stringent local limits;

3. Changes to the POTW's control mechanism;

4. Changes to the POTW's method for implementing Categorical Pretreatment Standards (e.g., incorporation by reference, separate promulgation, etc.):

5. A decrease in the frequency of self-monitoring or reporting required of Industrial Users;

6. A decrease in the frequency of Industrial User inspections or sampling by the POTW;

7. Changes to the POTW's confidentiality procedures;

8. Significant reductions in the POTW's Pretreatment Program resources (including personnel commitments, equipment, and funding levels); and

9. Changes in the POTW's sludge disposal and management practices.

(b) The Executive Secretary may designate other specific modifications in addition, to those listed in R317-8-8.16(3)(a), as substantial modifications.

(c) A modification that is not included in R317-8-8.16(3)(a) is nonetheless a substantial modification for purposes of this section if the modification:

1. Would have a significant impact on the operation of the POTW's Pretreatment Program;

2. Would result in an increase in pollutant loadings at the POTW; or

3. Would result in less stringent requirements being imposed on Industrial Users of the POTW.

8.17 VARIANCES FROM CATEGORICAL PRETREATMENT STANDARDS FOR FUNDAMENTALLY DIFFERENT FACTORS (FDF). A variance may be granted, using the procedures of 40 CFR 403.13, to an Industrial User if data specific to the User indicates it presents factors fundamentally different from those considered by EPA in developing the limit at issue.

40 CFR 403.13 is incorporated into this rule by reference as indicated in R317-8-1.10(6)

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R414. Health, Health Care Financing, Coverage and Reimbursement Policy.
R414-1. Utah Medicaid Program.
R414-1-1. Introduction and Authority.

(1) This rule generally characterizes the scope of the Medicaid Program in Utah, and defines all of the provisions necessary to administer the program.

(2) The rule is authorized by Title XIX of the Social Security Act, and Sections 26-1-5, 26-18-2.1, 26-18-2.3, UCA.

R414-1-2. Definitions.

The following definitions are used throughout the rules of the Division:

(1) "Act" means the federal Social Security Act.

(2) "Applicant" means any person who requests assistance under the medical programs available through the Division.

(3) "Categorically needy" means aged, blind or disabled individuals or families and children:

(a) who are otherwise eligible for Medicaid; and

(i) who meet the financial eligibility requirements for AFDC as in effect in the Utah State Plan on July 16, 1996; or

(ii) who meet the financial eligibility requirements for SSI or an optional State supplement, or are considered under section 1619(b) of the federal Social Security Act to be SSI recipients; or

(iii) who is a pregnant woman whose household income does not exceed 133% of the federal poverty guideline; or

(iv) is under age six and whose household income does not exceed 133% of the federal poverty guideline; or

(v) who is a child under age one born to a woman who was receiving Medicaid on the date of the child's birth and the child remains with the mother; or

(vi) who is least age six but not yet age 18, or is at least age six but not yet age 19 and was born after September 30, 1983, and whose household income does not exceed 100% of the federal poverty guideline; or

(vii) who is aged or disabled and whose household income does not exceed 100% of the federal poverty guideline; or

(viii) who is a child for whom an adoption assistance agreement with the state is in effect.

(b) whose categorical eligibility is protected by statute.

(4) "Code of Federal Regulations" (CFR) means the publication by the Office of the Federal Register, specifically Title 42, used to govern the administration of the Medicaid Program.

(5) "Client" means a person the Division or its duly constituted agent has determined to be eligible for assistance under the Medicaid program.

(6) "CMS" means The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, a Federal agency within the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. Programs for which CMS is responsible include Medicare, Medicaid, and the State Children's Health Insurance Program.

(7) "Department" means the Department of Health.

(8) "Director" means the director of the Division.

(9) "Division" means the Division of Health Care Financing within the Department.

(10) "Emergency medical condition" means a medical condition showing acute symptoms of sufficient severity that the absence of immediate medical attention could reasonably be expected to result in:

(a) placing the patient's health in serious jeopardy;

(b) serious impairment to bodily functions;

(c) serious dysfunction of any bodily organ or part; or

(d) death.

(11) "Emergency service" means immediate medical attention and service performed to treat an emergency medical condition. Immediate medical attention is treatment rendered within 24 hours of the onset of symptoms or within 24 hours of diagnosis.

(12) "Emergency Services Only Program" means a health program designed to cover a specific range of emergency services.

(13) "Executive Director" means the executive director of the Department.

(14) "InterQual" means the McKesson InterQual Criteria, a comprehensive, clinically based, patient focused medical review criteria and system developed by McKesson Corporation.

(15) "Medicaid agency" means the Department of Health.

(16) "Medical assistance program" or "Medicaid program" means the state program for medical assistance for persons who are eligible under the state plan adopted pursuant to Title XIX of the federal Social Security Act; as implemented by Title 26, Chapter 18, UCA.

(17) "Medical or hospital assistance" means services furnished or payments made to or on behalf of recipients under medical programs available through the Division.

(18) "Medically necessary service" means that:

(a) it is reasonably calculated to prevent, diagnose, or cure conditions in the recipient that endanger life, cause suffering or pain, cause physical deformity or malfunction, or threaten to cause a handicap; and

(b) there is no other equally effective course of treatment available or suitable for the recipient requesting the service that is more conservative or substantially less costly.

(19) "Medically needy" means aged, blind, or disabled individuals or families and children who are otherwise eligible for Medicaid, who are not categorically needy, and whose income and resources are within limits set under the Medicaid State Plan.

(20) "Prior authorization" means the required approval for provision of a service that the provider must obtain from the Department before providing the service. Details for obtaining prior authorization are found in Section I of the Utah Medicaid Provider Manual.

(21) "Provider" means any person, individual or corporation, institution or organization, qualified to perform services available under the Medicaid program and who has entered into a written contract with the Medicaid program.

(22) "Recipient" means a person who has received medical or hospital assistance under the Medicaid program, or has had a premium paid to a managed care entity.

(23) "Undocumented alien" means an alien who is not recognized by Immigration and Naturalization Services as being lawfully present in the United States.

R414-1-3. Single State Agency.

The Utah Department of Health is the Single State Agency designated to administer or supervise the administration of the Medicaid program under Title XIX of the federal Social Security Act.

R414-1-4. Medical Assistance Unit.

Within the Utah Department of Health, the Division of Health Care Financing has been designated as the medical assistance unit.

R414-1-5. Incorporations by Reference.

(1) The Department adopts the Utah State Plan Under Title XIX of the Social Security Act Medical Assistance Program effective October 1, 2008. It also incorporates by reference State Plan Amendments that become effective no later than October 1, 2008.

(2) The Department adopts the Medical Supplies Manual and List described in the Utah Medicaid Provider Manual, Section 2, Medical Supplies, with its referenced attachment, Medical Supplies List, October 1, 2008, as applied in Rule

R414-70.

R414-1-6. Services Available.

(1) Medical or hospital services available under the Medical Assistance Program are generally limited by federal guidelines as set forth under Title XIX of the federal Social Security Act and Title 42 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR).

(2) The following services provided in the State Plan are available to both the categorically needy and medically needy:

(a) inpatient hospital services, with the exception of those services provided in an institution for mental diseases;

(b) outpatient hospital services and rural health clinic services;

(c) other laboratory and x-ray services;

(d) skilled nursing facility services, other than services in an institution for mental diseases, for individuals 21 years of age or older;

(e) early and periodic screening and diagnoses of individuals under 21 years of age, and treatment of conditions found, are provided in accordance with federal requirements;

(f) family planning services and supplies for individuals of child-bearing age;

(g) physician's services, whether furnished in the office, the patient's home, a hospital, a skilled nursing facility, or elsewhere;

(h) podiatrist's services;

(i) optometrist's services;

(j) psychologist's services;

(k) interpreter's services;

(l) home health services:

(i) intermittent or part-time nursing services provided by a home health agency;

(ii) home health aide services by a home health agency; and

(iii) medical supplies, equipment, and appliances suitable for use in the home;

(m) private duty nursing services for children under age 21;

(n) clinic services;

(o) dental services;

(p) physical therapy and related services;

(q) services for individuals with speech, hearing, and language disorders furnished by or under the supervision of a speech pathologist or audiologist;

(r) prescribed drugs, dentures, and prosthetic devices and eyeglasses prescribed by a physician skilled in diseases of the eye or by an optometrist;

(s) other diagnostic, screening, preventive, and rehabilitative services other than those provided elsewhere in the State Plan;

(t) services for individuals age 65 or older in institutions for mental diseases:

(i) inpatient hospital services for individuals age 65 or older in institutions for mental diseases;

(ii) skilled nursing services for individuals age 65 or older in institutions for mental diseases; and

(iii) intermediate care facility services for individuals age 65 or older in institutions for mental diseases;

(u) intermediate care facility services, other than services in an institution for mental diseases. These services are for individuals determined, in accordance with section 1902(a)(31)(A) of the Social Security Act, to be in need of this care, including those services furnished in a public institution for the mentally retarded or for individuals with related conditions;

(v) inpatient psychiatric facility services for individuals under 22 years of age;

(w) nurse-midwife services;

(x) family or pediatric nurse practitioner services;

(y) hospice care in accordance with section 1905(o) of the Social Security Act;

(z) case management services in accordance with section 1905(a)(19) or section 1915(g) of the Social Security Act;

(aa) extended services to pregnant women, pregnancy-related services, postpartum services for 60 days, and additional services for any other medical conditions that may complicate pregnancy;

(bb) ambulatory prenatal care for pregnant women furnished during a presumptive eligibility period by a qualified provider in accordance with section 1920 of the Social Security Act; and

(cc) other medical care and other types of remedial care recognized under state law, specified by the Secretary of the United States Department of Health and Human Services, pursuant to 42 CFR 440.60 and 440.170, including:

(i) medical or remedial services provided by licensed practitioners, other than physician's services, within the scope of practice as defined by state law;

(ii) transportation services;

(iii) skilled nursing facility services for patients under 21 years of age;

(iv) emergency hospital services; and

(v) personal care services in the recipient's home, prescribed in a plan of treatment and provided by a qualified person, under the supervision of a registered nurse.

(dd) other medical care, medical supplies, and medical equipment not otherwise a Medicaid service if the Division determines that it meets both of the following criteria:

(i) it is medically necessary and more appropriate than any Medicaid covered service; and

(ii) it is more cost effective than any Medicaid covered service.

R414-1-7. Aliens.

(1) Certain qualified aliens described in Title IV of Public Law 104-193 may be eligible for the Medicaid program. All other aliens are prohibited from receiving non-emergency services, as described in Section 1903(v) of the Social Security Act, which is adopted and incorporated by reference.

(2) Aliens who are prohibited from receiving non-emergency services will have "Emergency Services Only Program" printed on their Medical Identification Cards, as noted in R414-3A.

R414-1-8. Statewide Basis.

The medical assistance program is state-administered and operates on a statewide basis in accordance with 42 CFR 431.50.

R414-1-9. Medical Care Advisory Committee.

There is a Medical Care Advisory Committee that advises the Medicaid agency director on health and medical care services. The committee is established in accordance with 42 CFR 431.12.

R414-1-10. Discrimination Prohibited.

In accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000d et seq.), Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 70b), and the regulations at 45 CFR Parts 80 and 84, the Medicaid agency assures that no individual shall be subjected to discrimination under the plan on the grounds of race, color, gender, national origin, or handicap.

R414-1-11. Administrative Hearings.

The Medicaid agency has a system of administrative hearings for medical providers and dissatisfied applicants, clients, and recipients that meets all the requirements of 42 CFR

Part 431, Subpart E.

R414-1-12. Utilization Review.

(1) Utilization review provides for review and evaluation of the utilization of Medicaid services provided in acute care general hospitals, and by members of the medical staff to patients entitled to benefits under the Medicaid plan.

(2) The Department shall conduct hospital utilization review as outlined in the Superior Utilization Waiver state implementation plan, November 1997 edition, which is incorporated by reference in this rule.

(3) The Department shall determine medical necessity and appropriateness of inpatient admissions during utilization review by use of InterQual Criteria, published by McKesson Corporation, 2004 edition, McKesson Health Solutions LLC, 275 Grove Street, Suite 1-110, Newton, MA 02466-2273, which is incorporated by reference in this rule, or by following other criteria and protocols outlined in ATTACHMENT 4.19-A, Section 180, of the Medicaid State Implementation Plan. Level of Care and Care Planning Criteria in effect at the time the service was rendered. This criteria is incorporated by reference in this rule. Other criteria and protocols outlined in ATTACHMENT 4.19-A, Section 180 of the State Plan, are also used to determine medical necessity and appropriateness of inpatient admissions.

(4) The standards in the InterQual Criteria shall not apply to services that are:

(a) excluded as a Medicaid benefit by rule or contract;

(b) provided in an intensive physical rehabilitation center as described in R414-2B; or

(c) organ transplant services as described in R414-10A.

In these three exceptions, or where InterQual is silent, the Medicaid agency shall approve or deny claims based upon appropriate administrative rules or its own criteria as incorporated in provider contracts that incorporate the Medicaid Provider Manuals.

(5) The Department may take remedial action as outlined in ATTACHMENT 4.19-A, Section 180, of the Medicaid State Implementation Plan for inappropriate services identified through utilization review.

(6) In accordance with 42 CFR 431, Subpart E, the Utilization Review Committee shall send written notification of remedial action to the provider.

R414-1-13. Provider and Client Agreements.

(1) To meet the requirements of 42 CFR 431.107, the Department contracts with each provider who furnishes services under the Utah Medicaid Program.

(2) By signing a provider agreement with the Department, the provider agrees to follow the terms incorporated into the provider agreements, including policies and procedures, provider manuals, Medicaid Information Bulletins, and provider letters.

(3) By signing an application for Medicaid coverage, the client agrees that the Department's obligation to reimburse for services is governed by contract between the Department and the provider.

R414-1-14. Utilization Control.

(1) The Medicaid agency has implemented a statewide program of surveillance and utilization control that safeguards against unnecessary or inappropriate use of Medicaid services available under the plan. The plan also safeguards against excess payments, assesses the quality of services, and provides for control and utilization of inpatient services as outlined in the Superior Utilization Waiver state implementation plan. The program meets the requirements of 42 CFR Part 456.

(2) In order to control utilization, and in accordance with 42 CFR 440.230(d), services, equipment, or supplies not specifically identified by the Department as covered services under the Medicaid program, are not a covered benefit.

(3) Prior authorization is a utilization control process to verify that the client is eligible to receive the service and that the service is medically necessary. Prior authorization requirements are identified in Section I sub-section 9 of the Utah Medicaid Provider Manual. Additional prior authorization instructions for specific types of providers is found in Section II of the Medicaid Provider Manual. All necessary medical record documentation for prior approval must be submitted with the request. If the provider has not followed the prior authorization instructions and obtained prior authorization for a service identified in the Medicaid Provider Manual as requiring prior authorization, the Department shall not reimburse for the service.

(4) The Medicaid agency may request records that support provider claims for payment under programs funded through the agency. Such requests must be in writing and identify the records to be reviewed. Responses to requests must be returned within 30 days of the date of the request. Responses must include the complete record of all services for which reimbursement is claimed and all supporting services. If there is no response within the 30 day period, the agency will close the record and will evaluate the payment based on the records available.

(5) If Medicaid pays for a service which is later determined not to be a benefit of the Utah Medicaid program or is not in compliance with state or federal policies and regulations, Medicaid will make a written request for a refund of the payment. Unless appealed, the refund must be made to Medicaid within 30 days of written notification. An appeal of this determination must be filed within 30 days of written notification as specified in R410-14-6.

(6) Reimbursement for services provided through the Medicaid program must be verified by adequate records. If these services cannot be properly verified, or when a provider refuses to provide or grant access to records, either the provider must promptly refund to the state any payments received for the undocumented services, or the state may elect to deduct an equal amount from future reimbursements. If the Department suspects fraud, it may refer cases for which records are not provided to the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit for additional investigation and possible action.

R414-1-15. Medicaid Fraud.

The Medicaid agency has established and will maintain methods, criteria, and procedures that meet all requirements of 42 CFR 455.13 through 455.21 for prevention and control of program fraud and abuse.

R414-1-16. Confidentiality.

State statute, Title 63G, Chapter 2, and Section 26-1-17.5, impose legal sanctions and provide safeguards that restrict the use or disclosure of information concerning applicants, clients, and recipients to purposes directly connected with the administration of the plan.

All other requirements of 42 CFR Part 431, Subpart F are met.

R414-1-17. Eligibility Determinations.

Determinations of eligibility for Medicaid under the plan are made by the Division of Health Care Financing, the Utah Department of Workforce Services, and the Utah Department of Human Services. There is a written agreement among the Utah Department of Health, the Utah Department of Workforce Services, and the Utah Department of Human Services. The agreement defines the relationships and respective responsibilities of the agencies.

R414-1-18. Professional Standards Review Organization.

All other provisions of the State Plan shall be administered by the Medicaid agency or its agents according to written contract, except for those functions for which final authority has been granted to a Professional Standards Review Organization under Title XI of the Act.

R414-1-19. Timeliness in Eligibility Determinations.

The Medicaid agency shall adhere to all timeliness requirements of 42 CFR 435.911, for processing applications, determining eligibility, and approving Medicaid requests. If these requirements are not completed within the defined time limits, clients may notify the Division of Health Care Financing at 288 North, 1460 West, Salt Lake City, UT 84114-2906.

R414-1-20. Residency.

Medicaid is furnished to eligible individuals who are residents of the State under 42 CFR 435.403.

R414-1-21. Out-of-state Services.

Medicaid services shall be made available to eligible residents of the state who are temporarily in another state. Reimbursement for out-of-state services shall be provided in accordance with 42 CFR 431.52.

R414-1-22. Retroactive Coverage.

Individuals are entitled to Medicaid services under the plan during the 90 days preceding the month of application if they were, or would have been, eligible at that time.

R414-1-23. Freedom of Choice of Provider.

Unless an exception under 42 CFR 431.55 applies, any individual eligible under the plan may obtain Medicaid services from any institution, pharmacy, person, or organization that is qualified to perform the services and has entered into a Medicaid provider contract, including an organization that provides these services or arranges for their availability on a prepayment basis.

R414-1-24. Availability of Program Manuals and Policy Issuances.

In accordance with 42 CFR 431.18, the state office, local offices, and all district offices of the Department maintain program manuals and other policy issuances that affect recipients, providers, and the public. These offices also maintain the Medicaid agency's rules governing eligibility, need, amount of assistance, recipient rights and responsibilities, and services. These manuals, policy issuances, and rules are available for examination and, upon request, are available to individuals for review, study, or reproduction.

R414-1-25. Billing Codes.

In submitting claims to the Department, every provider shall use billing codes compliant with Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA) requirements as found in 45 CFR Part 162.

R414-1-26. General Rule Format.

The following format is used generally throughout the rules of the Division. Section headings as indicated and the following general definitions are for guidance only. The section headings are not part of the rule content itself. In certain instances, this format may not be appropriate and will not be implemented due to the nature of the subject matter of a specific rule.

(1) Introduction and Authority. A concise statement as to what Medicaid service is covered by the rule, and a listing of specific federal statutes and regulations and state statutes that authorize or require the rule.

(2) Definitions. Definitions that have special meaning to the particular rule.

(3) Client Eligibility. Categories of Medicaid clients eligible for the service covered by the rule: Categorically Needy or Medically Needy or both. Conditions precedent to the client's obtaining coverage such as age limitations or otherwise.

(4) Program Access Requirements. Conditions precedent external to the client's obtaining service, such as type of certification needed from attending physician, whether available only in an inpatient setting or otherwise.

(5) Service Coverage. Detail of specific services available under the rule, including limitations, such as number of procedures in a given period of time or otherwise.

(6) Prior Authorization. As necessary, a description of the procedures for obtaining prior authorization for services available under the particular rule. However, prior authorization must not be used as a substitute for regulatory practice that should be in rule.

(7) Other Sections. As necessary under the particular rule, additional sections may be indicated. Other sections include regulatory language that does not fit into sections (1) through (5).

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R414. Health, Health Care Financing, Coverage and Reimbursement Policy.
R414-58. Children's Organ Transplants.
R414-58-1. Authority and Purpose.

(1) Authority for this rule is found in Title 63G, Chapter 3.

(2) The purpose of this rule is to set forth criteria to determine eligibility for and the awarding of financial assistance to children who need organ transplants.

R414-58-2. Definitions.

(1) "Eligible recipient" means a person who is 18 years of age or younger at the time an application for financial assistance is made and who has resided, or whose legal guardian has resided, within the state for at least six months prior to applying for financial assistance.

(2) "Initial Medical Expenses" include assessments and evaluations of prospective organ transplant recipients and potential organ donors, actual surgical costs, post-operative care or treatment, COBRA payments, and spenddowns or other related costs for Medicaid or other public assistance eligibility, but does not include travel and living expenses for recipients or families.

R414-58-3. Allowable Medical Expenses and Organ Transplants.

Eligible recipients may apply for financial assistance for eligible medical expenses for any type of organ transplant. Each recipient shall have a maximum lifetime benefit of $10,000.

R414-58-4. Determining Eligibility.

Eligibility for awarding financial assistance shall be based on:

(1) whether the person is an eligible recipient; and

(2) documentation, through physician assessment and evaluation, of the need for the organ transplant.

R414-58-5. Awarding Financial Assistance to Eligible Recipients.

(1) Prior to awarding financial assistance the committee shall review the recipient's request for assistance to determine:

(a) the needs of the eligible recipient both physically and financially; and

(b) the existence of other financial assistance including availability of insurance or other state aid.

(2) Each eligible recipient must apply for applicable Medicaid, Medicaid disability, and Children's Health Insurance Program assistance before the committee agrees to award any financial assistance. This does not preclude the committee from using funds to negotiate with transplant centers or hospitals to place the name of the eligible recipient on a waiting list for an organ transplant.

(3) As part of the review process a legal guardian of the eligible recipient must sign a release to allow all medical records of the child to be released to the Department of Health. The Department of Health shall provide assistance to the committee by determining:

(a) that the proposed organ transplant is not experimental; and

(b) the extent of the threat to the child's life without the organ transplant.

(4) In addition, the committee must consider the availability of funds in the Children's Organ Transplant trust account before awarding financial assistance.

R414-58-6. Terms for Repayment of Financial Assistance Loans.

Financial assistance shall be given in the form of an interest free loan. Terms, including amount and time frame for repayment of loans shall be set forth in a contract as agreed to by both parties.

R414-58-7. Waiver of Loan Repayment.

Applicants may request that all or part of the repayment due under the contract for financial assistance be waived by the committee. As a condition of granting a waiver, the committee shall make a finding that repayment of the financial assistance would impose an undue financial burden on the child.

R414-58-8. Organ Donor Awareness Activities.

The committee shall adopt policies for the award of funds from the Children's Organ Transplant trust account for Organ Donor Awareness Activities.

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R414. Health, Health Care Financing, Coverage and Reimbursement Policy.
R414-301. Medicaid General Provisions.
R414-301-1. Authority.

The Department of Health may contract with the Department of Workforce Services and the Department of Human Services to do eligibility determinations for one or more of the medical programs listed below. The Department of Health is responsible for the administration of these programs:

(1) Aged Medicaid (AM);
(2) Blind Medicaid (BM);
(3) Disabled Medicaid (DM);
(4) Family Medicaid (FM);
(5) Child Medicaid (CM);
(6) Title IV-E Foster Care Medicaid (FC);
(7) Medicaid for Pregnant Women (PG);
(8) Prenatal Medicaid (PN);
(9) Newborn Medicaid (NB);
(10) Transitional Medicaid (TR);
(11) Refugee Medicaid (RM);
(12) Utah Medical Assistance Program (UMAP);
(13) Qualified Medicare Beneficiary Program (QMB);
(14) Specified Low-Income Medicare Beneficiary Program (SLMB);
(15) Qualifying Individuals, Group 1 Program (QI-1);
(16) Medicaid Work Incentive;
(17) Medicaid Cancer Program;
(18) Primary Care Network Demonstration, which includes the Primary Care Network and the Covered-at-Work Programs.

R414-301-2. Definitions.

The following definitions apply in rules R414-301 through R414-308:

(1) "Agency" means any local office or outreach location of either the Department of Health or the Department of Workforce Services that accepts and processes applications for Medicaid and Medicare Cost-Sharing programs. In incorporated federal materials, "agency" means the Utah Department of Health.

(2) "Applicant" means any person requesting assistance under any of the programs listed in R414-301.

(3) "Assistance" means medical assistance under any of the programs listed in R414-301.

(4) "CHEC" means Child Health Evaluation and Care.

(5) "Client" means an applicant or recipient of any of the programs listed in R414-301.

(6) "Department" means the Department of Health.

(7) "Director" or "designee" means the director or designee of the Division of Health Care Financing.

(8) "Local" office means any community office location of the Department of Workforce Services, the Department of Human Services or the Department of Health where an individual may apply for medical assistance programs.

(9) "Outreach location" means any site other than a state office where state workers are located to accept applications for medical assistance programs. Locations include sites such as hospitals, clinics, homeless shelters, etc.

(10) "QI-1" means the Qualifying Individuals Group 1 program, a Medicare Cost-Sharing program.

(11) "QMB" means Qualified Medicare Beneficiary program, a Medicare Cost-Sharing program.

(12) "Recipient" means any individual receiving assistance under any of the programs listed in R414-301-1. It may also be used to mean someone who is receiving other assistance or benefits such as SSI, in which case the text will specify such other type of benefit or assistance.

(13) "Reportable change" means any change in circumstances which could affect a client's eligibility for Medicaid, including:

(a) change in the source of income;
(b) change of more than $25 in gross income;
(c) changes in household size;
(d) changes in residence;
(e) gain of a vehicle;
(f) change in resources;
(g) change of more than $25 in total allowable deductions;
(h) changes in marital status, deprivation, or living arrangements;
(i) pregnancy or termination of a pregnancy;
(j) onset of a disabling condition; and
(k) change in health insurance coverage including changes in the cost of coverage.

(14) "Resident of a medical institution" means a single client who is a resident of a medical institution from the month after entry into a medical institution until the month prior to discharge from the institution. Death in a medical institution is not considered a discharge from the institution and does not change the client's status as a resident of the medical institution. Married clients are residents of an institution in the month of entry into the institution and in the month they leave the institution.

(15) "SLMB" means Specified Low-Income Medicare Beneficiary program, a Medicare Cost-Sharing program.

(16) "Spenddown" means an amount of income in excess of the allowable income standard that must be paid in cash to the department or incurred through the medical services not paid by Medicaid, or some combination of these.

(17) "Spouse" means any individual who has been married to a client or recipient and has not legally terminated the marriage.

(18) "Worker" means a state employee who determines eligibility for Medicaid and Medicare Cost-Sharing programs.

R414-301-3. Client Rights and Responsibilities.

(1) Anyone may apply or reapply any time for any program.

(2) If someone needs help to apply he may have a friend or family member help, or he may request help from the local office or outreach staff.

(3) Workers will identify themselves to clients.

(4) Clients will be treated with courtesy, dignity and respect.

(5) Workers will ask for verification and information clearly and courteously.

(6) If a client must be visited after working hours, the worker will make an appointment.

(7) Workers will not enter a client's home without the client's permission.

(8) Clients must provide requested verifications within the time limits given. The Department may grant additional time to provide information and verifications upon client request.

(9) Clients have a right to be notified about the decision made on an application or other action taken that affects their eligibility for benefits.

(10) Clients may look at most information about their case.

(11) Anyone may look at the policy manuals located at any department local office.

(12) The client must repay any understated liability. The client is responsible for repayments due to ineligibility including benefits received pending a fair hearing decision. In addition to payments made directly to medical providers, benefits include Medicare or other health insurance premiums, premium payments made in the client's behalf to Medicaid Health Plans and mental health providers even if the client does not receive a direct medical service from these entities.

(13) The client must report a reportable change as defined in R414-301-2(12) to the local office within ten days of the day the change becomes known.

R414-301-4. Safeguarding Information.

(1) The department adopts 42 CFR 431(F), 2001 ed., which is incorporated by reference. The department requires compliance with Sections 63-2-101 through 63-2-909.

(2) Workers shall safeguard all information about specific clients.

(3) There are no provisions for taxpayers to see any information from client records.

(4) The director or designee shall decide if a situation is an emergency warranting release of information to someone other than the client. The information may be released only to an agency with comparable rules for safeguarding records. The information released cannot include information obtained through an income match system.

R414-301-5. Complaints and Agency Conferences.

(1) A client may request an agency conference at any time to resolve a problem regarding the client's case. Requests shall be granted at the department's discretion. Clients may have an authorized representative attend the agency conference.

(2) Requesting an agency conference does not prevent a client from also requesting a fair hearing in the event the agency conference does not resolve the client's concerns.

(3) Having an agency conference does not extend the time period in which a client has to request a fair hearing. The client must request a fair hearing within 90 days of the date on the notice with which the client disagrees to assure the right to have a fair hearing if the client is not satisfied with the outcome of the agency conference.

(4) There is no appeal to the decisions made during an agency conference; however, if the client is not satisfied with the results of the agency conference, and makes a timely request for a fair hearing as defined in R414-306-6, the client may proceed with the formal fair hearing process.

(5) The department provides proper notice as defined in R414-308-5 if there are any additional adverse changes in the client's eligibility that are made as a result of the agency conference. The client then has a right to request a fair hearing based on the new decision letter of an additional adverse action.

R414-301-6. Hearings.

(1) The department adopts 42 CFR 431.220 through 431.246, 2001 ed., which is incorporated by reference. The department requires compliance with Title 63G, Chapter 4.

(2) If a client's hearing request concerns only medical assistance, the department shall conduct a formal hearing.

(3) If a client's hearing request concerns food stamps or financial assistance in addition to medical assistance, the Department of Workforce Services shall conduct an informal hearing.

(4) Hearings may be conducted by telephone if the client agrees to that procedure.

(5) Clients must request a hearing in writing. The written request must include a clear expression stating a desire to present their case.

(6) Clients must ask for the hearing within 90 days of the mailing date of the notice regarding a disagreement with any proposed action.

(7) The hearing officer may schedule one or more pre-hearing conferences to clarify the issues to be heard at the hearing and to arrange exchange of relevant documents.

(8) If the hearing was conducted by the department, the client may appeal the hearing decision to the Court of Appeals.

(9) If the hearing was conducted by the Department of Workforce Services, the client may appeal a hearing decision to the director of the Division of Adjudication within the Department of Workforce Services, or to the District Court.

(10) If an action requires advance notice, the recipient shall continue to receive assistance if the hearing is requested before the effective date of the action, or within ten days of the mailing date of the notice of action. If the agency action is upheld, the client is responsible for repayment of benefits paid by the department on behalf of the client pending a final hearing decision. The recipient may choose not to accept the benefits offered pending a hearing decision.

(11) If an agency action does not require advance notice, assistance shall be reinstated if a hearing is requested within ten days of the mailing date of the notice unless the sole issue is one of state or federal law or policy.

(12) An applicant who has requested a hearing shall receive medical assistance if the hearing decision has not been issued within 21 days of the request. To receive benefits pending the hearing decision, the applicant must request the hearing within 10 days of the mailing date of the notice with which the applicant disagrees. The benefits shall begin on the same date had the application been approved but no earlier than the first day of the application month. If the agency action is upheld, the client is responsible for repayment of benefits paid by the department on behalf of the client pending a final hearing decision. Retroactive benefits shall not be approved unless the applicant would be eligible even if the department prevailed at the hearing. The applicant may choose not to accept the benefits offered pending a hearing decision.

(13) Final administrative action shall be taken within 90 days from the request for a hearing unless the client asks for a postponement or additional time is needed to allow all parties time to present and respond to the issues. The period of postponement may be added to the 90 days.

(14) Hearings shall be conducted only at the request of a client; the client's spouse; a minor client's parent; or a guardian of the client, client's spouse, minor client or minor client's parent; or a representative chosen by the client, client's spouse, or minor client's parent.

(15) A hearing contesting resource assessment shall not be conducted until an institutionalized individual has applied for Medicaid.

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R414. Health, Health Care Financing, Coverage and Reimbursement Policy.
R414-501. Preadmission and Continued Stay Review.
R414-501-1. Introduction and Authority.

This rule implements 42 USC 1396r(b)(3), (e)(5), and (f)(6)(B), and 42 CFR 456.1 through 456.23,and 456.350 through 456.380, by requiring the evaluation of each resident's need for admission and continued stay in a nursing facility. 42 USC 1396r, requirements for nursing facilities, and 42 CFR 483, requirements for states and long term care facilities, are adopted and incorporated by reference.

R414-501-2. Definitions.

In addition to the definitions in R414-1-1, the following definitions apply to Rules R414-501 through R414-503:

(1) "Activities of daily living" are defined in 42 CFR 483.25(a)(1), and further includes adaptation to the use of assistive devices and prostheses intended to provide the greatest degree of independent functioning.

(2) "Categorical determination" means a determination made pursuant to 42 CFR 483.130 and ATTACHMENT 4.39-A of the State Plan.

(3) "Code of Federal Regulations (CFR)" means the 1999 edition unless otherwise noted.

(4) "Continued stay review" means a periodic, supplemental, or interim review of a resident performed by a department health care professional either by telephone or on-site review.

(5) "Discharge planning" means planning that ensures that the resident has an individualized planned program of post-discharge continuing care that:

(a) states the medical, functional, behavioral and social levels necessary for the resident to be discharged to a less restrictive setting;

(b) includes the steps needed to move the resident to a less restrictive setting;

(c) establishes the feasibility of the resident's achieving the levels necessary for discharge; and

(d) states the anticipated time frame for that achievement.

(6) "Health care professional" means a duly licensed or certified physician, physician assistant, nurse practitioner, physical therapist, speech therapist, occupational therapist, registered professional nurse, licensed practical nurse, social worker, or qualified mental retardation professional.

(7) "Level I screening" means the preadmission identification screening discussed in R414-503-3.

(8) "Level II evaluation" means the preadmission evaluation and annual resident review for serious mental illness or mental retardation discussed in R414-503-4.

(9) "Medicaid resident" means a resident who is a Medicaid recipient.

(10) "Mental retardation" is defined in 42 CFR 483.102(b)(3) and includes "persons with related conditions" as defined in 42 CFR 435.1009.

(11) "Nursing facility" is defined in 42 USC 1396r(a), and also includes an intermediate care facility for the mentally retarded as defined in 42 USC 1396d(d).

(12) "Resident" means a person residing in a Medicaid-certified nursing facility.

(13) "Serious mental illness" is defined in 42 CFR 483.102(b)(1).

(14) "Significant change" means a major change in the resident's physical, mental, or psychosocial status that is not self limiting, impacts on more than one area of the resident's health status, and requires interdisciplinary review or revision of the care plan.

(15) "Skilled care" means those services defined in 42 CFR 409.32.

(16) "Specialized rehabilitative services" means those services provided pursuant to 42 CFR 483.45 and R432-150-22.

(17) "Specialized services" means those services provided pursuant to 42 CFR 483.120 and ATTACHMENT 4.39 of the State Plan.

(18) "United States Code (USC)" means the 1993 edition unless otherwise noted.

(19) "Working days" means all days except Saturdays, Sundays, and recognized state holidays.

R414-501-3. Preadmission Authorization.

(1) A nursing facility shall perform a preadmission assessment when admitting an applicant, including an applicant who will be reclassified from Medicare skilled care to Medicaid nursing facility care, or who is currently funded from another source but anticipates applying for Medicaid within 90 days of admission, and has been referred by a mental health center or civilly committed to the mental health system. Preadmission authorization is not transferable from one nursing facility to another.

(2) A nursing facility may perform a preadmission assessment on any other person who applies for nursing facility care.

(3) A nursing facility must obtain prior approval from the department before admitting an applicant. A request for prior approval may be in writing or by telephone and shall include:

(a) the name, age, and Medicaid eligibility of the applicant;

(b) the date of transfer or admission to the nursing facility;

(c) the date of the surgical procedure or traumatic incident, if any, that caused the need for care;

(d) the reason for acute care inpatient hospitalization or emergency placement, if any, and the care and services needed;

(e) the applicant's current functional and mental status;

(f) the established diagnoses;

(g) the medications and treatments currently ordered for the applicant;

(h) the projected level of care placement and an evaluation of alternative care resources and support services previously used, currently in use, and available through the community and family;

(i) the name of the individual requesting the prior approval;

(j) the Level I screening, except the screening is not required for admission to an intermediate care facility for the mentally retarded; and

(k) the Level II determination, if required by the department.

(4) If the department gives prior approval, the nursing facility shall submit to the department within five working days a preadmission transmittal for the applicant, and shall begin preparing the complete contact for the applicant. The complete contact is a written application containing all the elements of a request for prior approval plus:

(a) the preadmission continued stay transmittal;

(b) a signed release of information;

(c) a history and physical;

(d) the physician's orders;

(e) a nursing assessment;

(f) a social evaluation;

(g) a discharge plan;

(h) a resident assessment instrument completed no later than 14 calendar days after the resident is admitted to a nursing facility; and

(i) the completed comprehensive plan of care that includes measurable objectives and timetables to treat medical and psychosocial needs that are identified in a comprehensive assessment of significant impairments in the resident's functional capacity and his capabilities to perform daily life functions.

(5) When a Medicaid resident is admitted to a hospital, the department may not require preadmission authorization when the Medicaid resident returns to the original nursing facility not later than three consecutive days after the date of discharge from the nursing facility. If the readmission occurs four or more days after the date of discharge from the nursing facility, the nursing facility shall complete the preadmission authorization process again. However, if a Medicaid resident returns to a nursing facility for the mentally retarded within the three day period and may require skilled care or services, then the nursing facility shall immediately request prior approval from the department.

(6) The department shall reimburse a nursing facility for the five days allowed in Subsection R414-501-3(6)(c) if the department, without full assessment, gives prior approval for a resident who is an immediate placement.

(a) An immediate placement shall meet one of the following criteria:

(i) The resident exhausted acute care benefits or was discharged by a hospital;

(ii) A Medicare fiscal intermediary changed the resident's level of care, or the Medicare benefit days terminated and there is a need for continuing services reimbursed under Medicaid;

(iii) Protective services in the Department of Human Services placed the resident for care;

(iv) A tragedy, such as fire or flood, has occurred in the home, and the resident is injured, or an accident leaves a dependent person in imminent danger and requires immediate institutionalization;

(v) A family member who has been providing care to the resident dies or suddenly becomes ill;

(vi) A nursing facility terminated services, either through an adverse certification action or closure of the facility, and the resident must be transferred to meet his medical or habilitation needs; or

(vii) In the previous placement, the resident presented a clear danger to himself, others, or property.

(b) The department shall deny an immediate placement unless the Level I screening is completed and the department determines a Level II evaluation is not required, or if the Level II evaluation is required, then the Level II evaluation is completed and the department determines the applicant qualifies for placement in a nursing facility and Medicaid reimbursement. The three exceptions to this requirement are when the applicant is a provisional placement for less than seven days, the applicant has previously been screened and the determinations will be reviewed on his annual resident review, or when the placement is after an acute hospital stay and the physician certifies that the placement will be for less than 30 days.

(c) Prior approval for an immediate placement shall be effective for no more than five working days. During that period the nursing facility shall submit a preadmission transmittal, and shall begin preparing the complete contact for the applicant. If the nursing facility fails to timely submit the preadmission transmittal, the department may not make any payments until the department receives the preadmission transmittal and the nursing facility again complies with all preadmission requirements.

(7) If a nursing facility accepts a resident who elects not to apply for Medicaid coverage, and the nursing facility can prove that it gave the resident or his legal representative written notice of Medicaid eligibility and preadmission requirements, then the resident or legal representative shall be solely responsible for payment for the services rendered. However, if a nursing facility cannot prove it gave the notice to a resident or his legal representative, then the nursing facility shall be solely responsible for payment for the services rendered during the time when the resident was eligible for Medicaid coverage.

(8) The department shall refer medically ineligible applicants to appropriate health-related agencies when the preadmission assessment identifies such a need.

(9) The department shall deny payment to a nursing facility for services provided before the earliest of (a) the date of the verbal prior approval, (b) the date postmarked on the envelope containing the written application, or (c) the date the department receives the written application.

R414-501-4. Continued Stay Review.

(1) The department shall conduct a continued stay review to determine the need for continued stay in a nursing facility and to determine whether the resident has shown sufficient improvement to implement discharge planning and to refer the resident to one or more representatives for follow-up contact with the resident. Within 90 days after the department authorizes Medicaid reimbursement for a Medicaid resident, the department shall commence the continued stay review. This review must be completed no later than the last day of the calendar month in which it is due.

(2) If a question regarding placement or level of care for a Medicaid resident arises, the department may request additional information from the nursing facility. If the question remains unresolved, a department health care professional may perform a supplemental on-site review. The department or the nursing facility can also initiate an interim review because of a change in the Medicaid resident's condition or medical needs.

(3) A nursing facility shall make appropriate personnel and information reasonably accessible so the department can conduct the continued stay review.

(4) A nursing facility shall inform the department by telephone or in writing when the needs of a Medicaid resident change to possibly require discharge, a different level of care, or a change from the findings in the Level I screening or Level II evaluation. A nursing facility shall also inform the department of newly acquired facts relating to the resident's diagnosis, medications, treatments, care or service needs, or plan of care that may not have been known when the department determined medical need for admission or continued stay.

(5) The department shall deny payment to a nursing facility for services provided to a Medicaid resident who, against medical advice, leaves a nursing facility for more than two consecutive days, or who fails to return within two consecutive days after an authorized leave of absence. A nursing facility shall report all such instances to the department. The resident shall complete all preadmission requirements before the department may approve payment for further nursing facility services.

R414-501-5. General Provisions.

(1) The department is solely responsible for approving or denying a preadmission or continued stay authorization for payment for nursing facility services provided to a Medicaid resident. The department is ultimately responsible for determining the level of care for a Medicaid resident in a nursing facility. If a nursing facility complies with all preadmission and continued stay requirements for a Medicaid resident then the department shall provide coverage consistent with the state plan.

(2) If a nursing facility fails to comply with all preadmission or continued stay requirements, the department shall deny payment to the nursing facility for services provided to the applicant. The nursing facility is liable for all expenses incurred for services provided to the applicant on or after the date the applicant applied for Medicaid. The nursing facility may not bill the applicant or his legal representative for services not reimbursed by the department due to the nursing facility's failure to follow preadmission or continued stay rules.

(3) If the department denies a claim, then the department shall comply with 42 CFR 431.200 through 431.246, and also send written notice to the nursing facility administrator, the

attending physician, and, if possible, the next-of-kin or legal representative of the applicant. If the department denies a claim, then the nursing facility can resubmit additional documentation not later than 60 calendar days after the date the department receives the initial preadmission or continued stay transmittal. If the nursing facility fails to submit additional documentation that corrects the claim deficiencies within the 60 calendar day period, then the denial becomes final and the nursing facility waives all rights to Medicaid reimbursement from the time of admission until the department approves a subsequent request for authorization submitted by the nursing facility.

(4) The department adopts the standards and procedures for conducting a fair hearing set forth in 42 USC 1396a(a)(3) and 42 CFR 431.200 through 431.246, which are incorporated by reference. Those laws are implemented in Title 63G, Chapter 4 and in R410-14.

R414-501-6. Grace Days.

The department grants to each nursing facility 30 grace days in each fiscal year (July 1 to June 30). A nursing facility may use these grace days if an otherwise eligible recipient is admitted to the nursing facility or returns to the nursing facility after a hospital admission and the nursing facility fails to comply with preadmission or continued stay rules and is thus denied payment by the department. The nursing facility may use these grace days for one recipient or many recipients. To use these grace days the nursing facility shall contact the department in order to change the payment document in the computer system. The department shall keep a record of the grace days used by each nursing facility and shall provide this information to a nursing facility upon request.

R414-501-7. Safeguarding Information of Applicants and Residents.

(1) The department adopts the standards and procedures for safeguarding information of applicants and recipients set forth in 42 USC 1396a(a)(7) and 42 CFR 431.300 through 431.307, which are incorporated by reference.

(2) Standards for safeguarding a resident's private records are set forth in Section 63-2-302.

R414-501-8. Free Choice of Providers.

Subject to certain restrictions outlined in 42 CFR 431.51, 42 USC 1396a(a)(23) requires that recipients have the freedom to choose a provider. A recipient who believes his freedom to choose a provider has been denied or impaired may request a hearing from the department, as outlined in 42 CFR 431.200 through 431.221.

R414-501-9. Alternative Services Evaluation and Referral.

While reviewing a preadmission assessment for admission to a nursing care facility, other than an ICF/MR, the Department may evaluate the potential for the applicant to receive alternative Medicaid services in a home or community-based setting that are appropriate for the needs of the individual identified in the preadmission submittals. If, in the judgement of the reviewer, there is a potential for alternative Medicaid services, the Department shall refer the name of the applicant to one or more designated Medicaid home and community services program representatives for follow-up contact with the applicant.

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R434. Health, Health Systems Improvement, Primary Care and Rural Health.
R434-100. Physician Visa Waivers.
R434-100-1. Authority and Purpose.

(1) Sections 1182(e) and 1184 of Title III of the Immigration and Nationality Act and 22 CFR 41.63 provide that the state may request a waiver of the federal two year home residence requirement on behalf of J-1 visa physicians each fiscal year if they work in a medically underserved area of the state and if the waiver is in the public interest. Section 26-1-18 authorizes the Utah Department of Health to implement this program.

(2) This rule establishes the criteria to determine whether it is in the public interest to request a J-1 visa waiver for an applicant. It establishes the procedures for the submission, review, and disposition of applications.

R434-100-2. Definitions.

As used in this rule:

(1) "Department" means the Utah Department of Health.

(2) "Health care facility" means a doctor's office, local health department, clinic or licensed health care facility where a J-1 visa waiver physician may work under the supervision of the sponsoring physician.

(3) "Primary care physician" means a physician who specializes in general internal medicine, family medicine, general pediatrics, obstetrics and gynecology, or psychiatry.

(4) "Principal" means any person who owns 10% or more beneficial or equitable interest in the health care facility.

(5) "Subspecialty care physician" means a physician who specializes in a specialty other than general internal medicine, family medicine, general pediatrics, obstetrics and gynecology, or psychiatry.

R434-100-3. Maximum Number of Visa Waivers.

(1) The Department may recommend J-1 visa waivers up to the maximum number of eligible J-1 visa waivers that have been granted in a federal fiscal year. If the maximum number of J-1 visa waivers have been granted, the Department shall consider pending applications in the following federal fiscal year in the order each was received.

(2) Each health care facility may make up to two requests per federal fiscal year.

R434-100-4. Physician Eligibility.

A physician is eligible to apply for a J-1 visa waiver recommendation if he:

(1) is enrolled in or has completed a minimum three year postgraduate training program in the United States accredited by the Accreditation Committee on Graduate Medical Education or the American Osteopathic Association Bureau of Professional Education prior to submitting an application;

(2) has passed the examination requirements for licensure as a physician or surgeon or osteopathic physician or surgeon in Utah, pursuant to rule established by the Division of Occupational and Professional Licensing; and

(3) has the specialty training and previous work experience that corresponds to the health care facility's recruitment descriptions.

R434-100-5. Requests.

The health care facility or the physician must submit to the Department a written request for the J-1 visa waiver.

(1) The request must include from the health care facility:

(a) the speciality of physician that the facility has been unable to recruit;

(b) documentation of its recruitment efforts to hire a qualified United States citizen for at least one immediate prior year for the position the J-1 visa waiver physician seeks to fill;

(c) documentation that it implements a sliding fee scale, payment schedule, or similar method that demonstrates that it provides discounts to medically indigent patients; and

(d) an assurance letter that the health care facility and its principals are not under investigation for, under probation for, or under restriction for:

(i) Children's Health Insurance Program, Medicaid, or Medicare fraud;

(ii) violations of Division of Occupational and Professional Licensing statute or rules; or

(iii) other violations of law that may indicate that it may not be in the public interest that a waiver of the two-year home residency requirement be granted.

(2) The request must include from the physician:

(a) a completed application that includes all professional experience, education, licenses and certificates, specialty or specialties, research, honors, professional memberships, and three professional references;

(b) a copy of all IAP-66 forms "Certificate of Eligibility for Exchange Visitor (J-1) Status" and INS forms I-94 for the physician and his or her spouse and children; and

(c) the case number issued by the United States Department of State indicating payment of the federal fee required to apply for the visa waiver.

(3) The request must also include:

(a) a copy of the complete contract between the J-1 visa waiver physician and the health care facility;

(b) any required processing fees; and

(c) other information requested by the Department as may be reasonably necessary to determine whether it is in the public interest that a waiver of the two-year home residency requirement be granted.

R434-100-6. Contract Requirements.

To obtain a state recommendation that the visa waiver is in the public interest, the contract that the applicant submits must meet the following criteria:

(1) The contract must be for employment at a health care facility:

(a) to work as a primary care physician located within a federally designated primary care Health Professional Shortage Area or to work as a subspecialty care physician serving medically needy population;

(b) that has been operating for at least one year;

(c) whose principals are free from default on any federal or state scholarship or loan repayment program offered by the National Health Service Corps or by the state under Title 26, Chapter 46;

(d) that it or its principals are not under investigation for, under probation for, or under restriction for:

(i) Medicaid or Medicare fraud;

(ii) violations of Division of Occupational and Professional Licensing statute or rules; or

(iii) other violations of law that may indicate that it may not be in the public interest that a waiver of the two-year home residency requirement be granted.

(e) that accepts all Medicaid, Medicare, Children's Health Insurance Program, Primary Care Network and Utah Medical Assistance Program eligible patients; and

(f) that implements a sliding fee scale, payment schedule, or similar method that demonstrates that it provides discounts to medically indigent patients.

(2) The contract must provide:

(a) that the physician agrees to meet the requirements set forth in section 214(k) of the Immigration and Nationality Act, 8 USC 1184(k);

(b) the specific address of the health care facility where the physician will practice medicine;

(c) a description of the geographic area that will be served

by the physician;

(d) that the physician agrees to work an annual full-time equivalency of 40 hours in patient care per week;

(e) for an obligation committing both parties to three years of employment; and

(f) that the physician agrees to begin employment at the health care facility within ninety (90) days of the waiver being granted;

(3) The contract shall not contain a "non competition" clause or other provision that would discourage or inhibit the physician from working anywhere in the state upon termination of his employment with the health care facility.

R434-100-7. Application Deferral.

(1) The Department may defer processing of a request if the health care facility or any of its principals is under investigation or awaiting trial for possible:

(a) Medicaid or Medicare fraud;

(b) violations of Division of Occupational and Professional Licensing statute or rules; or

(c) other violations of law that may indicate that it may not be in the public interest that a waiver of the two year home residency requirement be granted.

(2) The Department may defer processing of a request if the health care facility or any of its principals is under probation or has entered a plea in abeyance for any alleged violation of the elements listed in subsection (1).

(3) A physician applicant may seek to obtain a J-1 visa waiver as an employee of another health care facility if the Department has deferred processing of a request under subsections (1) or (2).

(4) If a health care facility for which a request has been deferred desires the Department to remove the deferral, it must notify the Department and provide documentation that the reason for the deferral no longer exists.

R434-100-8. Program Improvement.

The Department may require the health care facility and J-1 visa waiver physician to provide information regarding the performance, commitment to the medically underserved area, service obligation fulfillment, and any other information regarding their experience under the J-1 visa waiver as is reasonably necessary for the administration of the program.

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R477. Human Resource Management, Administration.
R477-6. Compensation.
R477-6-1. Pay Plans.

(1) DHRM shall develop or modify pay plans for compensating employees.

(2) Market comparability salary range adjustments shall be legislatively approved.

R477-6-2. Allocation to the Pay Plans.

(1) Each job shall be assigned to a salary range on the applicable pay plan, except where compensation is established by statute.

(2) Salary range determination for benchmark jobs shall be based on salary survey data. The salary ranges for other jobs are determined by relative ranking with the appropriate benchmark job.

R477-6-3. Appointments.

(1) All appointments shall be placed on the DHRM approved salary range for the job. Hiring officials shall receive approval from their agency head and DHRM before making appointment offers to individuals.

(2) Reemployed veterans under USERRA shall be placed in their previous position or a similar position at their previous salary range. Reemployment shall include the same seniority status, any cost of living allowances, reclassification of the veteran's preservice position, or market comparability adjustments that would have affected the veteran's preservice position during the time spent by the affected veteran in the uniformed services. Performance related salary increases are not included.

R477-6-4. Salary.

(1) Merit increases. The following conditions apply if merit pay increases are authorized and funded by the legislature:

(a) Employees, classified in position schedule B, shall be eligible for the merit increase if the following conditions are met:

(i) Employee may not be on a longevity step.

(ii) Employee may not be paid at the maximum step of their salary range.

(iii) Employee has received a minimum rating of successful on their most recent performance evaluation.

(iv) Employee has been in a paid status by the state for at least six months at the beginning of the new fiscal year.

(b) All other position schedules will be reviewed by DHRM in consultation with the Governor's Office.

(c) Employees designated as schedule AJ are not eligible for merit step increases.

(2) Promotions and Reclassifications.

(a) An employee promoted or reclassified to a job with a salary range exceeding the employee's current salary range maximum by one salary step shall receive a salary increase of a minimum of one salary step and a maximum of four salary steps. An employee who is promoted or reclassified to a job with a salary range exceeding the employee's current salary range maximum by two or more salary steps shall receive a salary increase of a minimum of two salary steps and a maximum of four salary steps.

(i) An employee may not be placed higher than the maximum salary step or lower than the minimum salary step in the new salary range. Placement of an employee in longevity shall be consistent with Subsection R477-6-4(3).

(ii) An employee who remains in longevity status after a promotion or reclassification shall retain the same salary by being placed on the corresponding longevity step.

(b) To be eligible for a promotion, an employee shall:

(i) meet the job requirements and skills specified in the job description and position specific criteria as determined by the agency for the position unless the promotion is to a career service exempt position.

(c) An employee whose position is reclassified or changed by administrative adjustment to a job with a lower salary range shall retain the current salary. The employee shall be placed on the corresponding longevity step if the salary exceeds the maximum of the new salary range.

(3) Longevity.

(a) An employee shall receive a longevity increase of 2.75 percent when:

(i) the employee has been in state service for eight years or more. The employee may accrue years of service in more than one agency and such service is not required to be continuous; and

(ii) the employee has been at the maximum salary step in the current salary range for at least one year and received a performance appraisal rating of successful or higher within the 12-month period preceding the longevity increase.

(b) An employee on a longevity step shall be eligible for the same across the board pay plan adjustments authorized for all other employee pay plans.

(c) An employee on a longevity step shall only be eligible for additional step increases every three years. To be eligible, an employee must receive a performance appraisal rating of successful or higher within the 12-month period preceding the longevity increase.

(d) An employee on a longevity step who is reclassified to a lower salary range shall retain the current actual wage.

(e) An employee on a longevity step who is promoted or reclassified to a higher salary range shall only receive an increase if the current actual wage is less than the highest salary step of the new range.

(f) Agency heads or are not eligible for the longevity program.

(4) Administrative Adjustment.

(a) An employee whose position has been allocated by DHRM from one job to another job or salary range for administrative purposes, may not receive an adjustment in the current actual wage.

(b) Implementation of new job descriptions as an administrative adjustment shall not result in an increase in the current actual wage unless the employee is below the minimum step of the new range.

(5) Reassignment.

An employee's current actual wage may only be lowered when permitted by federal or state law, including but not limited to the Americans with Disabilities Act.

(6) Transfer.

Management may increase or decrease the current actual wage of an employee who initiates a transfer to another position consistent with Subsections R477-6-4(9) and (10).

(7) Demotion.

An employee demoted consistent with Section R477-11-2 shall receive a reduction in the current actual wage of one or more salary steps as determined by the agency head or designee. The agency head or designee may move an employee to a position with a lower salary range concurrent with the reduction in the current actual wage.

(8) Productivity step adjustment.

Agency management may establish policies to reward an employee who assumes additional workloads which result from the elimination of a position for at least one year with an increase of up to four salary steps. An employee at the maximum step of the salary range or in longevity shall be given a one time lump sum bonus award of 2.75% of their annual salary.

(a) To implement this program, agencies shall apply the following criteria:

(i) either the employee or management can make the

suggestion;
(ii) the employee and management agree;
(iii) the agency head approves;
(iv) a written program policy achieves increased productivity through labor and management collaboration;
(v) DHRM approves;
(vi) the position will be abolished from the position authorization plan for a minimum of one year;
(vii) staff receive additional duties which are substantially above a normal full workload;
(viii) the same or higher level of service or productivity is achieved without accruing additional overtime hours;
(ix) the total dollar increase, including benefits, awarded to the workgroup as a result of the additional salary steps does not exceed 50 percent of the savings generated by eliminating the position.
(9) Administrative Salary Increase.
The agency head authorizes and approves administrative salary increases under the following parameters:
(a) An employee shall receive one or more steps up to the maximum of the salary range.
(b) Administrative salary increases shall only be granted when the agency has sufficient funding within their annualized base budgets for the fiscal year in which the adjustment is given.
(c) Justifications for Administrative Salary Increases shall be:
(i) in writing;
(ii) approved by the agency head;
(iii) supported by issues such as: special agency conditions or problems or other unique situations or considerations in the agency.
(d) The agency head is the final authority for salary actions authorized within these guidelines. The agency head or designee shall answer any challenge or grievance resulting from an administrative salary increase.
(e) Administrative salary increases may be given during the probationary period. These increases alone do not constitute successful completion of probation or the granting of career service status.
(f) An employee at the maximum step of the range or on a longevity step may not be granted administrative salary increases.
(10) Administrative Salary Decrease.
The agency head authorizes and approves administrative salary decreases for nondisciplinary reasons according to the following:
(a) An employee shall receive a one or more step decrease not to exceed the minimum of the salary range.
(b) Justification for administrative salary decreases shall be:
(i) in writing;
(ii) approved by the agency head; and
(iii) supported by issues such as previous written agreements between the agency and employees to include career mobility; reasonable accommodation, special agency conditions or problems, or other unique situations or considerations in the agency.
(c) The agency head is the final authority for salary actions within these guidelines. The agency head or designee shall answer any challenge or grievance resulting from an administrative salary decrease.

R477-6-5. Incentive Awards.
(1) Only agencies with written and published incentive award and bonus policies may reward employees with incentive awards or bonuses. Incentive awards and bonuses are discretionary, not an entitlement, and are subject to the availability of funds in the agency.
(a) Policies shall be approved annually by DHRM and be consistent with standards established in these rules and the Department of Administrative Services, Division of Finance, rules and procedures.
(b) Individual awards may not exceed $4,000 per occurrence and $8,000 in a fiscal year. In exceptional circumstances, an award may exceed these limits upon application to DHRM and approval by the Governor.
(c) All cash and cash equivalent incentive awards and bonuses shall be subject to payroll taxes.
(2) Performance Based Incentive Awards.
(a) Cash Incentive Awards
(i) An agency may grant a cash incentive award to an employee or group of employees who:
(A) demonstrate exceptional effort or accomplishment beyond what is normally expected on the job for a unique event or over a sustained period of time.
(ii) All cash awards must be approved by the agency head or designee. They must be documented and a copy shall be maintained in the agency's individual employee file.
(b) Noncash Incentive Awards
(i) An agency may recognize an employee or group of employees with noncash incentive awards.
(ii) Individual noncash incentive awards may not exceed a value of $50 per occurrence and $200 for each fiscal year.
(iii) Noncash incentive awards may include cash equivalents such as gift certificates or tickets for admission. Cash equivalent incentive awards shall be subject to payroll taxes and must follow standards and procedures established by the Department of Administrative Services, Division of Finance.
(3) Cost Savings Bonus
(a) An agency may establish a bonus policy to increase productivity, generate savings within the agency, or reward an employee who submits a cost savings proposal.
(i) The agency shall document the cost savings involved.
(4) Market Based Bonuses
An agency may award a cash bonus to an employee as an incentive to acquire or retain an employee with job skills that are critical to the state and difficult to recruit in the market.
(a) Retention Bonus
An agency may award a bonus to an employee who has unusually high or unique qualifications that are essential for the agency to retain.
(b) Recruitment or Signing Bonus
An agency may award a bonus to a qualified job candidate to convince the candidate to work for the state.
(c) Scarce Skills Bonus
An agency may award a bonus to a qualified job candidate that has the scarce skills required for the job.
(d) Relocation Bonus
An agency may award a bonus to a current employee who must relocate to accept a position in a different commuting area.
(e) Referral Bonus
An agency may award a bonus to a current employee who refers a job applicant who is subsequently selected.

R477-6-6. Employee Benefits.
(1) Agencies shall explain all benefits provided by the state to new hires or rehires within five working days of the hire date.
(2) Agency payroll or human resource staff shall submit personnel action forms to the appropriate agency levels within ten days of hire date.
(3) An employee must elect to enroll in the life, health, vision, and dental plans within 60 days of the hire date to avoid having to provide proof of insurability. An employee who does not enroll within 60 days can only enroll during the annual open enrollment period for all state employees. Agencies shall submit the enrollment forms to Group Insurance within three days of the date entered on the enrollment form.

(4) An employee in a position which normally requires working less than 40 hours per pay period is ineligible for benefits. An employee in a position which normally requires working 40 hours or more per pay period shall be eligible for all benefits, unless the employee is in a position specifically designated as ineligible for benefits. Leave benefits shall be determined on a prorated basis according to actual hours paid in a pay period.

(5) A reemployed veteran under USERRA shall be entitled to the same employee benefits given to other continuously employed eligible employees to include seniority based increased pension and leave accrual.

R477-6-7. Employee Converting from Career Service to Schedule AD, AR, or AS.

(1) A career service employee in a position meeting the criteria for career service exempt schedule AD, AR, or AS shall have 60 days to elect to convert from career service to career service exempt. As an incentive to convert, an employee shall be provided the following:

(a) a base salary increase of one to three salary steps, as determined by the agency head. An employee at the maximum of the current salary range or on longevity shall receive, in lieu of the salary step adjustment, a one time bonus of 2.75 percent, 5.5 percent or 8.25 percent to be determined by the agency head;

(b) state paid term life insurance coverage if determined eligible by the Group Insurance Office to participate in the Term Life Program, Public Employees Health Plan:

(i) Salaries less than $50,000 shall receive $125,000 of term life insurance;

(ii) Salaries between $50,000 and $60,000 shall receive $150,000 of term life insurance;

(iii) Salaries more than $60,000 shall receive $200,000 of term life insurance.

(2) An employee electing to convert to career service exempt after the 60 day election period may not be eligible for the salary increase, but shall be entitled to apply for the insurance coverage through the Group Insurance Office.

(3) An employee electing not to convert to career service exemption shall retain career service status even though the position shall be designated as schedule AD, AR or AS. When these career service employees vacate these positions, subsequent appointments shall be career service exempt.

(4) An agency head may reorganize so that a current career service exempt position no longer meets the criteria for exemption. In this case, the employee shall be designated as career service if he had previously earned career service. However, the employee may not be eligible for the severance package or the life insurance. In this situation, the agency and employee shall make arrangements through the Group Insurance Office to discontinue the coverage.

(5) A career service exempt employee without prior career service status shall remain exempt. When the employee leaves the position, subsequent appointments shall be consistent with R477-4.

(6) Agencies shall communicate to all impacted and future eligible employees the conditions and limitations of this incentive program.

R477-6-8. State Paid Life Insurance.

(1) A benefits eligible career service exempt employee on schedule AA, AB, AD, AR and AT shall be provided the following benefits if the employee is approved through underwriting:

(a) State paid term life insurance coverage if determined eligible by the Group Insurance Office to participate in the Term Life Program Public Employees Health Plan:

(i) Salaries less than $50,000 shall receive $125,000 of term life insurance;

(ii) Salaries between $50,000 and $60,000 shall receive $150,000 of term life insurance;

(iii) Salaries more than $60,000 shall receive $200,000 of term life insurance.

(2) An employee on schedule AC, AK, AM and AS may be provided these benefits at the discretion of the appointing authority.

R477-6-9. Severance Benefit.

(1) A benefits eligible career service exempt employee on schedule AB, AD, AR or AT who is separated from state service through an action initiated by management, to include resignation in lieu of termination, shall receive at the time of severance a benefit equal to:

(a) one week of salary, up to a maximum of 12 weeks, for each year of consecutive exempt service in the executive branch; and

(b) if eligible for COBRA, one month of health insurance coverage, up to a maximum of six months, for each year of consecutive exempt service, at the level of coverage the employee has at the time of severance, to be paid in a lump sum payment to the state's health care provider.

(2) A severance benefit may not be paid to an employee:

(a) whose statutory term has expired without reappointment;

(b) who is retiring from state service; or

(c) who is dismissed.

(3) A benefits eligible career service exempt employee on schedule AB, AD, AR or AT who accepts reassignment to a position with a lower salary range, without a break in service, shall receive a severance benefit equal to the difference between the current actual wage and the new actual wage multiplied by the number of accrued annual leave, converted sick leave, and excess hours on the date of reassignment.

(4) An employee on schedule AC, AK, AM or AS may be provided these same severance benefits at the discretion of the appointing authority.

R477-6-10. Human Resource Transactions.

The Executive Director, DHRM, shall publicize procedures for processing payroll and human resource transactions actions and documents.

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R477. Human Resource Management, Administration.
R477-7. Leave.
R477-7-1. Conditions of Leave.

(1) An employee who normally works 40 hours or more per pay period, except those identified as career service exempt in Section R477-4-10, is eligible for leave benefits. An employee receives leave benefits in proportion to the time paid.

(a) An eligible employee who normally works 40 or more hours per pay period shall accrue annual and sick leave in proportion to the time paid.

(b) An employee shall use leave in no less than quarter hour increments.

(2) A seasonal, temporary, or part-time employee working less than 40 hours per pay period is not eligible for paid leave.

(3) Accrual rates for sick, holiday and annual leave are determined on the Annual, Sick and Holiday Leave Accrual table available through DHRM.

(4) An employee may not use annual, sick, converted sick, compensatory, excess or holiday leave before accrued.

(5) An employee may not use compensatory, annual, converted sick leave used as annual, or excess leave without advance approval by management.

(6) An employee transferring from one agency to another is entitled to transfer all accrued annual, sick, and converted sick leave to the new agency.

(7) An employee on paid leave shall continue to accrue annual, holiday and sick leave.

(8) An employee separating from state service shall be paid in a lump sum for all annual leave and excess hours. An FLSA nonexempt employee shall also be paid in a lump sum for all compensatory hours.

(a)(i) An employee separating from state service for reasons other than retirement shall be paid in a lump sum for all converted sick leave.

(ii) Converted sick leave for a retiring employee shall be subject to Section R477-7-5.

(b) An employee may transfer this payout, minus all nondeferred taxes, to a 401(k) or 457 account up to the amount allowed by IRS regulation.

(c) No leave on leave may accrue or be paid on the cashed out leave.

(d) Leave cannot be used or accrued after the last day worked, except for FMLA or other medical reasons, or administrative leave specifically approved by management to be used after the last day worked.

(9) Contributions to benefits may not be paid on cashed out leave, other than FICA tax, except as it applies to converted sick leave in Section R477-7-5(2) and the Retirement Benefit in Section R477-7-6.

R477-7-2. Holiday Leave.

(1) The following dates are paid holidays for eligible employees:

(a) New Years Day -- January 1

(b) Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day -- third Monday of January

(c) Washington and Lincoln Day -- third Monday of February

(d) Memorial Day -- last Monday of May

(e) Independence Day -- July 4

(f) Pioneer Day -- July 24

(g) Labor Day -- first Monday of September

(h) Veterans' Day -- November 11

(i) Thanksgiving Day -- fourth Thursday of November

(j) Christmas Day -- December 25

(k) Any other day designated as a paid holiday by the Governor.

(2) The following employees are eligible to receive holiday leave:

(a) A full-time employee shall accrue ten hours of paid holiday leave on holidays.

(b) A part-time career service employee and a partner in a shared position who normally works 40 hours or more per pay period shall receive holiday leave in proportion to the hours paid in the pay period in which the holiday falls.

(3) If a holiday falls on a regularly scheduled day off, an eligible employee shall receive equivalent time off, not to exceed ten hours, or shall accrue excess hours.

(a) If a holiday falls on a Sunday, and an employee is regularly scheduled to work on the following Monday, the following Monday shall be observed as a holiday.

(b) If a holiday falls on a Saturday, and an employee is regularly scheduled to work on the preceding Friday, the preceding Friday shall be observed as a holiday.

(4) If an employee is required to work on an observed holiday, the employee shall receive appropriate holiday leave, or shall accrue excess hours.

(5) An employee receives holiday leave in proportion to the number of hours paid during the pay period in which the holiday falls.

(a) A new hire shall be in a paid status on or before the holiday in order to receive holiday leave.

(b) A separating employee shall be in a paid status on or after the holiday in order to receive holiday leave.

(c) An employee in a leave without pay status shall receive holiday leave in proportion to the time paid in the pay period in which the holiday falls.

R477-7-3. Annual Leave.

(1) An employee eligible for annual leave shall accrue leave based on the following years of state service:

(a) less than 5 years -- four hours per pay period;

(b) at least 5 and less than 10 years -- five hours per pay period;

(c) at least 10 and less than 20 years --six hours per pay period;

(d) 20 years or more -- seven hours per pay period.

(2) The accrual rate for an employee rehired to a position which receives leave benefits shall be based on all state employment in which the employee was eligible to accrue leave.

(3) The first ten hours of annual leave used by an employee in the calendar leave year shall be the employee's personal preference day.

(4) Agency management shall allow every employee the option to use annual leave each year for at least the amount accrued in the year.

(5) Unused accrued annual leave time in excess of 320 hours shall be forfeited during year end processing for each calendar year.

(6) The maximum annual leave accrual rate shall be granted to a certain employee under the following conditions:

(a) an employee described in Section 67-22-2, an employee in schedule AB, and agency deputy directors and division directors appointed to career service exempt positions.

(b) an employee who is schedule A, FLSA exempt and who has a direct reporting relationship to an elected official, executive director, deputy director, commissioner or board.

(c) The maximum accrual rate shall be effective from the day the employee is appointed through the duration of the appointment. Employees in these positions on July 1, 2003, shall have the leave accrual rate adjusted prospectively.

(d) The employee may not be eligible for any transfer of leave from other jurisdictions.

(e) Other provisions of leave shall apply under Section R477-7-1.

R477-7-4. Sick Leave.

(1) An employee shall accrue sick leave with pay in

proportion to the time paid each pay period, not to exceed four hours. Sick leave shall accrue without limit.

(2) Sick leave shall be granted for:

(a) preventive health and dental care, maternity, paternity, and adoption care, or for absence from duty because of illness, injury or temporary disability of the employee, a spouse, children or parents living in the employee's home; or

(b) FMLA purposes under Section R477-7-15.

(3) Agency management may grant exceptions for other unique medical situations.

(4) An employee shall arrange for a telephone report to supervisors at the beginning of the scheduled workday the employee is absent due to illness or injury. Management may require reports for serious illnesses or injuries.

(5) Any application for a grant of sick leave to cover an absence that exceeds four successive working days shall be supported by administratively acceptable evidence. If there is reason to believe that an employee is abusing sick leave, a supervisor may require an employee to produce evidence regardless of the number of sick hours used.

(6) After filing a resignation notice, an employee must support a sick leave request with a health care provider's certificate.

(7) Unless retiring, an employee separating from state employment shall forfeit any unused sick leave without compensation.

(a) An employee rehired within one year of separation shall have forfeited sick leave reinstated as Program II sick leave.

(b) An employee who retires from state service and is rehired may not reinstate forfeited sick leave.

R477-7-5. Converted Sick Leave.

An employee may convert sick leave hours to converted sick leave after the end of the last pay period of the calendar year in which the employee is eligible.

(1)(a) Converted sick leave hours accrued prior to January 1, 2006 shall be Program I converted sick leave hours.

(b) Converted sick leave hours accrued after January 1, 2006 shall be Program II converted sick leave hours.

(2) To be eligible, an employee must have accrued a total of 144 hours or more of sick leave in Program I and Program II combined at the beginning of the first pay period of the calendar year.

(a) At the end of the last pay period of a calendar year in which an employee is eligible, all unused sick leave hours accrued that year in excess of 64 shall be converted to Program II converted sick leave.

(b) The maximum hours of converted sick leave an employee may accrue in Program I and Program II combined is 320.

(c) If the employee has the maximum accrued in converted sick leave, these hours will be added to the annual leave account balance.

(d) In order to prevent or reverse the conversion, an employee shall:

(i) notify agency management no later than the last day of the last pay period of the calendar year in order to prevent the conversion; or

(ii) notify agency management no later than the end of February in order to reverse the conversion.

(e) Upon separation, an eligible employee may convert any unused sick leave hours accrued in the current calendar leave year in excess of 64 to converted sick leave hours in Program II.

(3) An employee may use converted sick leave as annual leave or as regular sick leave.

(4) Upon retirement, 25 percent of the value of the unused converted sick leave, but not to exceed Internal Revenue Service limitations, shall be placed in the employee's 401(k) account as an employer contribution.

(a) Converted sick leave hours from Program II shall be placed in the 401(k) account before hours from Program I.

(b) The remainder shall be used for:

(i) the purchase of health care insurance and life insurance under Subsection R477-7-6(3)(c) if the converted sick leave was accrued in Program I ; or

(ii) a contribution into the employees PEHP health reimbursement account under Subsection R477-7-6(4)(b) if the converted sick leave was accrued in Program II.

R477-7-6. Sick Leave Retirement Benefit.

Upon retirement from active employment, an employee shall receive an unused sick leave retirement benefit under Sections 67-19-14.2 and 67-19-14.4.

(1)(a) Sick leave hours accrued prior to January 1, 2006 shall be Program I sick leave hours.

(b) Sick leave hours accrued after January 1, 2006 shall be Program II sick leave hours.

(2) An agency may offer the Unused Sick Leave Retirement Option Program I to an employee who is eligible to receive retirement benefits. However, any decision whether or not to participate in this program shall be agency wide and shall be consistent through an entire fiscal year.

(a) If an agency decides to withdraw for the next fiscal year after initially deciding to participate, the agency must notify all employees at least 60 days before the new fiscal year begins.

(3) An employee in a participating agency shall receive the following benefit provided by the Unused Sick Leave Retirement Options Program I.

(a) Continuing health and life insurance.

(i) The employing agency shall provide the same health and life insurance benefits as provided to current employees until the employee reaches the age eligible for Medicare or up to the following number of years, whichever comes first.

(A) three years if the employee retires during calendar year 2008:

(B) two years if the employee retires during calendar year 2009:

(C) one year if the employee retires during calendar year 2010; or

(D) zero years if the employee retires after calendar year 2010.

(ii) Health insurance provided shall be the same coverage carried by the employee at the time of retirement; i.e., family, two-party, or single. If the employee has no health coverage in place upon retirement, none shall be offered or provided.

(iii) Life insurance provided shall be the minimum authorized coverage provided for all state employees at the time the employee retires.

(iv) The retiree shall pay the same percentage of the premium as a current employee on the same plan. The premium amount shall be determined from the approved PEHP retiree rate and not the active employee rates.

(b) Twenty five percent of the value of the unused sick leave, but not to exceed Internal Revenue Service limitations, shall be placed in the employees 401(k) account as an employer contribution.

(i) Sick leave hours from Program II shall be placed in the 401(k) account before hours from Program I.

(ii) After the 401(k) contribution is made, an additional amount shall be deducted from the employees remaining Program I sick leave balance as follows.

(A) 288 hours if the employee retires during calendar year 2008;

(B) 192 hours if the employee retires during calendar year 2009;

(C) 96 hours if the employee retires during calendar year

2010; or

(D) zero hours if the employee retires after calendar year 2010.

(c) The remaining Program I sick leave hours and converted sick leave hours from Subsection R477-7-5(4)(b)(i) shall be used to provide the following benefit.

(i) The purchase of PEHP health insurance, or a state approved program, and life insurance coverage for the employee until he reaches the age eligible for Medicare.

(A) Health insurance shall be the same coverage carried by the employee at the time of retirement; i.e., family, two-party, or single.

(B) The purchase rate shall be eight hours of sick leave or converted sick leave for the state paid portion of one month's premium.

(C) The employee shall pay the same percentage of the premium as a current employee on the same plan. The premium amount shall be determined from the approved PEHP retiree rate and not the active employee rates.

(D) Life insurance provided shall be the minimum authorized coverage provided for state employees at the time the employee retires.

(ii) When the employee reaches the age eligible for Medicare, he may purchase a Medicare supplement policy provided by PEHP for himself at the rate of eight hours of sick leave or converted sick leave for one month's premium.

(iii) After the employee reaches the age eligible for Medicare, he may purchase PEHP health insurance, or a state approved program for a spouse until the spouse reaches the age eligible for Medicare.

(A) The purchase rate shall be eight hours of sick leave or converted sick leave for one month's premium.

(B) The employee shall pay the same percentage of the premium as a current employee on the same plan. The premium amount shall be determined from the approved PEHP retiree rate and not the active employee rates.

(iv) When the spouse reaches the age eligible for Medicare, the employee may purchase a Medicare supplement policy provided by PEHP for the spouse at the rate of eight hours of sick leave or converted sick leave for one month's premium.

(v) In the event an employee is killed in the line of duty, the employee's spouse shall be eligible to use the employee's available sick leave hours for the purchase of health and dental insurance under Section 67-19-14.3.

(4) An employee shall receive the following benefit provided by the Unused Sick Leave Retirement Option Program II.

(a) Twenty five percent of the value of the unused sick leave, but not to exceed Internal Revenue Service limitations, shall be placed in the employee's 401(k) account as an employer contribution.

(b) After the 401(k) contribution the remaining sick leave hours and the converted sick leave hours from Subsection R477-7-5(4)(b)(ii) shall be deposited in the employees PEHP health reimbursement account at the greater of:

(i) the employees rate of pay at retirement, or

(ii) the average rate of pay of state employees who retired in the same retirement system in the previous calendar year.

R477-7-7. Administrative Leave.

(1) Administrative leave may be granted consistent with agency policy for the following reasons:

(a) administrative;

(i) governor approved holiday leave;

(ii) during management decisions that benefit the organization;

(iii) when no work is available due to unavoidable conditions or influences; or

(iv) other reasons consistent with agency policy.

(b) protected;

(i) suspension with pay pending hearing results;

(ii) personal decision making prior to discipline;

(iii) removal from adverse or hostile work environment situations;

(iv) fitness for duty or employee assistance; or

(v) other reasons consistent with agency policy.

(c) reward in lieu of cash;

(i) the agency head or designee may grant paid administrative leave up to one day per occurrence;

(ii) administrative leave in excess of one day may be granted with written approval by the agency head.

(iii) administrative leave given as a reward in lieu of cash may not exceed 40 hours in a fiscal year.

(iv) administrative leave given as a reward in lieu of cash may be given from one agency to employees of another agency if both agency heads agree in advance.

(d) student educational assistance.

(e) An employee who satisfies the criteria in this subsection shall be granted up to two hours of administrative leave to vote in an official election.

(i) The employee must:

(A) have fewer than three total hours off the job between the time the polls open and close, and;

(B) apply for the time in the previous 24 hours.

(ii) Management may specify the hours when the employee may be absent.

(f) Administrative leave shall be given for non-performance based purposes to employees who are on Family and Medical Leave or a military leave of absence if the leave would have been given had the employee been in a working status.

(2) With the exception of administrative leave used as a reward, under Subsection R477-7(1)(c), the agency head or designee may grant paid administrative leave up to ten consecutive working days per occurrence. Administrative leave in excess of ten consecutive working days per occurrence may be granted by the agency head.

(3) Administrative leave taken must be documented in the employee's leave record.

R477-7-8. Jury Leave.

(1) An employee is entitled to a leave of absence with full pay when, in obedience to a subpoena or direction by proper authority, the employee is required to:

(a) appear as a witness as part of the employee's position for the federal government, the State of Utah, or a political subdivision of the state; or

(b) serve as a witness in a grievance hearing under Section 67-19-31 and Title 67, Chapter 19a; or

(c) serve on a jury.

(2) An employee who is absent in order to litigate in matters unrelated to state employment shall use eligible accrued leave or leave without pay.

(3) An employee choosing to use paid leave while on jury duty shall be entitled to keep juror's fees; otherwise, juror's fees received shall be returned to agency payroll clerks for deposit with the State Treasurer. The fees shall be deposited as a refund of expenditure in the low org. where the salary is recorded.

R477-7-9. Bereavement Leave.

An employee may receive a maximum of three days bereavement leave per occurrence with pay, at management's discretion, following the death of a member of the employee's immediate family. Bereavement leave may not be charged against accrued sick or annual leave.

(1) The immediate family means relatives of the employee or spouse including in-laws, step-relatives, or equivalent

relationship as follows:
(a) spouse;
(b) parents;
(c) siblings;
(d) children;
(e) all levels of grandparents; or
(f) all levels of grandchildren.

R477-7-10. Military Leave.

An employee who is a member of the National Guard or Military Reserves and is on official military orders is entitled to paid military leave not to exceed 120 hours each calendar year, including travel time, under Section 39-3-1.

(1) An employee may not claim salary for nonworking days spent in military training or for traditional weekend training.

(2) An employee may use any combination of military leave, accrued leave or leave without pay under Section R477-7-13.

(i) Accrued sick leave may only be used if the reason for leave meets the conditions in Section R477-7-4.

(3) An employee on military leave is eligible for any service awards or non-performance administrative leave he would otherwise be eligible to receive.

(4) An employee shall give notice of official military orders as soon as possible.

(5) Upon release from official military orders under honorable conditions, an employee shall be placed in a position in the following order of priority.

(a) If the period of service was for less than 91 days, the employee shall be placed:

(i) in the same position the employee held on the date of the commencement of the service in the uniformed services; or

(ii) in the same position the employee would have held if the continuous employment of the employee had not been interrupted by the service.

(b) If the period of service was for more than 90 days, the employee shall be placed:

(i) in a position of like seniority, status and salary, of the position the employee held on the date of the commencement of the service in the uniformed services; or

(ii) in a position of like seniority, status, and salary the employee would have held if the continuous employment of the employee had not been interrupted by the service.

(c) When a disability is incurred or aggravated while on official military orders, the employing agency shall adhere to the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (USERRA), United States Code, Title 38, Chapter 43.

(d) The cumulative length of time allowed for reemployment may not exceed five years. This rule incorporates by reference 20CFR1002.103 for the purposes of calculating cumulative time.

(e) An employee is entitled to reemployment rights and benefits including increased pension and leave accrual. An employee entering military leave may elect to have payment for annual leave deferred.

(6) In order to be reemployed, an employee shall present evidence of military service, and:

(a) for service less than 31 days, return at the beginning of the next regularly scheduled work period on the first full day after release from service unless impossible or unreasonable through no fault of the employee;

(b) for service of more than 30 days but less than 181 days, submit a request for reemployment within 14 days of release from service, unless impossible or unreasonable through no fault of the employee; or

(c) for service of more than 180 days, submit a request for reemployment within 90 days of release from service.

R477-7-11. Disaster Relief Volunteer Leave.

(1) An employee may be granted leave from work with pay for an aggregate of 15 working days in any 12 month period to participate in disaster relief services for the American Red Cross. To request this leave an employee must be a certified disaster relief volunteer and file a written request with the employing agency. The request shall include:

(a) a copy of a written request for the employee's services from an official of the American Red Cross;

(b) the anticipated duration of the absence;

(c) the type of service the employee is to provide for the American Red Cross; and

(d) the nature and location of the disaster where the employee's services will be provided.

R477-7-12. Organ Donor Leave.

An employee who serves as a bone marrow or human organ donor shall be granted paid leave for the donation and recovery.

(1) An employee who donates bone marrow shall be granted up to seven days of paid leave.

(2) An employee who donates a human organ shall be granted up to 30 days of paid leave.

R477-7-13. Leave of Absence Without Pay.

(1) An employee shall apply in writing to agency management for approval of a leave of absence without pay.

(a) The employee shall be entitled to previously accrued annual and sick leave.

(b) If unable to return to work within the time period granted, the employee shall be separated from state employment unless prohibited by state or federal law to include but not limited to the Americans with Disabilities Act.

(2) Nonmedical Reasons

(a) Approval may be granted for continuous leave for up to one year from the last day worked.

(b) Leave without pay may be granted only when there is an expectation that the employee will return to work. This section does not apply for military leave.

(c) Agency management may approve leave without pay for an employee even though annual or sick leave balances exist. An employee may take up to ten consecutive working days of leave without pay without affecting the leave accrual rate.

(d) An employee who receives no compensation for a complete pay period shall be responsible for payment of the full premium of state provided benefits.

(e) An employee who returns to work on or before the expiration of leave without pay shall be placed in a position with comparable pay and seniority to the previously held position.

(3) Medical Reasons

(a) An employee who is ineligible for FMLA, Workers Compensation, or Long Term Disability may be granted continuous, reduced or intermittent leave without pay for medical reasons.

(b) Medical leave without pay may be granted for no more than one year from the last day worked. Medical leave may be approved if a registered health practitioner certifies that an employee is temporarily disabled.

(c) An employee who is granted this leave shall provide a monthly status update to the employee's supervisor.

R477-7-14. Furlough.

(1) Agency management may furlough employees as a means of saving salary costs in lieu of or in addition to a reduction in force. Furlough plans are subject to the approval of the agency head and the following conditions:

(a) An employee shall accrue annual and sick leave.

(b) Full payment of all fringe benefits shall continue at the agency's expense.

(c) An employee shall return to the current position.

(d) Furlough is applied equitably; e.g., to all persons in a given class, all program staff, or all staff in an organization.

R477-7-15. Family and Medical Leave.

(1) An employee is entitled to 12 weeks of family and medical leave each calendar year for any of the following reasons:

(a) birth of a child;

(b) adoption of a child;

(c) placement of a foster child;

(d) a serious health condition of the employee; or

(e) care of a spouse, dependent child, or parent with a serious medical condition.

(f) A qualifying exigency arising as a result of a spouse, son, daughter or parent being on active duty or having been notified of an impending call or order to active duty in the Armed Forces.

(2) An employee is entitled to 26 weeks of family and medical leave during a calendar year to care for a spouse, son, daughter, parent or next of kin who is a recovering service member as defined by the National Defense Authorization Act.

(3) An employee on FMLA leave shall continue to receive the same health insurance benefits the employee was receiving prior to the commencement of FMLA leave.

(4) An employee on FMLA leave shall receive any administrative leave given for non-performance based reasons if the leave would have been given had the employee been in a working status.

(5) To be eligible for family and medical leave, the employee must:

(a) be employed by the state for at least one year;

(b) be employed by the state for a minimum of 1250 hours worked, as determined under FMLA, during the 12 month period immediately preceding the commencement of leave.

(6) When an employee chooses to use FMLA leave, the employee or an appropriate spokesperson, shall apply in writing for the initial leave and when the reason for requesting family medical leave changes:

(a) thirty days in advance for foreseeable needs; or

(b) as soon as possible in emergencies.

(7) An employee may use accrued annual leave, sick leave, converted sick leave, excess hours and compensatory time prior to going into leave without pay status for the family and medical leave period.

(8) An employee who chooses to use FMLA leave shall use FMLA leave for all absences related to that qualifying event.

(9) Any period of leave without pay for an employee with a serious health condition who is determined by a health care provider to be incapable of applying for Family and Medical Leave and has no agent or designee shall be designated as FMLA leave.

(10) An employee with a serious health condition covered under workers' compensation may use FMLA leave concurrently with the workers' compensation benefit.

(11) An employee shall be eligible to return to work under Section R477-7-13.

(a) If an employee has gone into leave without pay status and fails to return to work after FMLA leave has ended, an agency may recover, with certain exceptions, the health insurance premiums paid by the agency on the employee's behalf. An employee is considered to have returned to work if the employee returns for at least 30 calendar days.

(b) Exceptions to this provision include:

(i) an FLSA exempt and schedule AB, AD and AR employee who has been denied restoration upon expiration of their leave time;

(ii) an employee whose circumstances change unexpectedly beyond the employee's control during the leave period preventing the return to work at the end of 12 weeks.

(12) Leave taken for purposes of childbirth, adoption, placement for adoption or foster care may not be taken intermittently or on a reduced leave schedule unless the employee and employer mutually agree.

(13) Medical records created for purposes of FMLA and the Americans with Disabilities Act must be maintained in accordance with confidentiality requirements of Subsection R477-2-5(7).

R477-7-16. Workers Compensation Leave.

(1) An employee may use accrued leave benefits to supplement the workers compensation benefit.

(a) The combination of leave benefit and workers compensation benefit may not exceed the employee's gross salary. Leave benefits shall only be used in increments of one hour in making up any difference.

(b) The use of accrued leave to supplement the worker compensation benefit shall be terminated if:

(i) the employee is declared medically stable by licensed medical authority;

(ii) the workers compensation fund terminates the benefit;

(iii) the employee has been absent from work for one year;

(iv) the employee refuses to accept appropriate employment offered by the state; or

(v) the employee receives Long Term Disability or Social Security Disability benefits.

(c) The employee shall refund to the state any accrued leave paid which exceeds the employee's gross salary for the period for which the benefit was received.

(2) An employee will continue to accrue state paid benefits and leave benefits while receiving a workers compensation time loss benefit for up to one year.

(3) Health insurance benefits shall continue for an employee on leave without pay while receiving workers compensation benefits. The employee is responsible for the payment of the employee share of the premium.

(4) If the employee is able to return to work within one year of the last day worked in the employee's regular position, the agency shall place the employee in the previously held position or a similar position at a comparable salary range.

(5) If the employee is unable to return to work within one year of the last day worked in the employee's regular position, the employee shall be separated from state employment unless prohibited by state or federal law to include but not limited to the Americans with Disabilities Act.

(6) An employee who files a fraudulent workers compensation claim shall be disciplined under Rule R477-11.

R477-7-17. Long Term Disability Leave.

(1) An employee who is determined eligible for the Long Term Disability Program (LTD) shall be granted up to one year of medical leave, if warranted by a medical condition.

(a) The medical leave begins on the last day the employee worked. LTD requires a three month waiting period before benefit payments begin. During this period, an employee may use available sick and converted sick leave. When those balances are exhausted, an employee may use other leave balances available.

(b) An employee determined eligible for Long Term Disability benefits shall be eligible for health insurance benefits the day after the last day worked. The employee is responsible for 10% of the health insurance premium during the first year of disability, 20% during the second year of disability, and 30% thereafter until the employee is no longer covered by the long term disability program.

Upon approval of the LTD claim:

(i) Biweekly salary payments that the employee may be receiving shall cease. If the employee received any salary payments after the three month waiting period, the LTD benefit shall be offset by the amount received.

(ii) The employee shall be paid for remaining balances of annual leave, compensatory hours and excess hours in a lump sum payment. This payment shall be made at the time LTD is approved unless the employee requests in writing to receive it upon separation from state employment. No reduction of the LTD payment shall be made to offset this payment. If the employee returns to work prior to one year after the last day worked, the employee has the option of buying back annual leave at the current hourly rate.

(iii) An employee with a converted sick leave balance at the time of LTD eligibility shall have the option to receive a lump sum payout of all or part of the balance or to keep the balance intact to pay for health and life insurance upon retirement. The payout shall be at the rate at the time of LTD eligibility.

(iv) An employee who retires from state government directly from LTD may be eligible for health and life insurance under Subsection 67-19-14(2)(b)(ii).

(v) Unused sick leave balance shall remain intact until the employee retires. At retirement, the employee shall be eligible for the 401(k) contribution and the purchase of health and life insurance under Subsection 67-19-14(2)(c)(i).

(2) An employee shall continue to accrue service credit for retirement purposes while receiving long term disability benefits.

(3) Conditions for return from leave without pay shall include:

(a) If an employee provides an administratively acceptable medical release allowing him to return to work within one year of the last day worked, the agency shall place the employee in the previously held position or similar position in a comparable salary range provided the employee is able to perform the essential functions of the job with or without a reasonable accommodation.

(b) If an employee is unable to return to work within one year after the last day worked, the employee shall be separated from state employment unless prohibited by state or federal law to include but not limited to the Americans with Disabilities Act.

(4) An employee who files a fraudulent long term disability claim shall be disciplined under Rule R477-11.

R477-7-18. Leave Bank.

With the approval of the agency head, agencies may establish a leave bank program as follows:

(1) Only annual leave, excess hours, compensatory time earned by an FLSA nonexempt employee, and converted sick leave hours may be donated to a leave bank.

(2) Only employees of agencies with approved leave bank programs may donate leave hours to another agency with a leave bank program, if mutually agreed on by both agencies.

(3) An employee may not receive donated leave until all individually accrued leave is used.

(4) Leave shall be accrued if an employee is on sick leave donated from an approved leave bank program.

R477-7-19. Policy Exceptions.

The Executive Director, DHRM, may authorize exceptions to this rule consistent with Subsection R477-2-3(1).

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R477. Human Resource Management, Administration.
R477-8. Working Conditions.
R477-8-1. Work Period.

(1) Tasks shall be assigned and wages paid in return for work completed. During the state's standard work week, each employee is responsible for fulfilling the essential functions of his job.

(a) The state's standard work week begins Saturday and ends the following Friday. If approved for a flexible work schedule the beginning and ending date of the workweek may be different from the standard.

(b) State offices are typically open Monday through Thursday from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Agencies may adopt extended business hours to enhance service to the public, consistent with Section R477-8-5.

(c) An employee may negotiate for flexible starting and quitting times with the immediate supervisor as long as scheduling is consistent with overtime provisions of Section R477-8-5.

(d) Agencies may implement alternative work schedules approved by the Director.

(e) An employee is required to be at work on time. An employee who is late, regardless of the reason including inclement weather, shall make up the lost time by using accrued leave, leave without pay or, with management approval, adjust their work schedule.

(f) An employee must work in increments of 15 minutes or more to receive salary for hours worked and overtime hours worked. This rule incorporates by reference 29 CFR 785.48 for rounding practices when calculating time worked.

R477-8-2. Bus Passes.

Agencies may participate in the purchase of bus passes for employees.

R477-8-3. Telecommuting.

(1) Telecommuting is an agency option, not a universal employee benefit. Agencies utilizing a telecommuting program shall:

(a) establish a written policy governing telecommuting;

(b) enter into a written contract with each telecommuting employee to specify conditions, such as use of state or personal equipment, and results such as identifiable benefits to the state and how customer needs are being met; and

(c) not allow telecommuting employees to violate overtime rules.

R477-8-4. Lunch and Break Periods.

(1) Management may require a minimum of 30 minutes noncompensated lunch period.

(2) An employee may take a 15 minute compensated break period for every four hours worked.

(3) Break periods may not be accumulated to accommodate a shorter work day or longer lunch period.

R477-8-5. Overtime.

The state's policy for overtime is adopted and incorporated from the Fair Labor Standards Act, 29 CFR Parts 500 to 899(2002) and Section 67-19-6.7.

(1) Management may direct an employee to work overtime. Each agency shall develop internal rules and procedures to ensure overtime usage is efficient and economical. These policies and procedures shall include:

(a) prior supervisory approval for all overtime worked;

(b) recordkeeping guidelines for all overtime worked;

(c) verification that there are sufficient funds in the budget to compensate for overtime worked.

(2) Overtime compensation standards are identified for each job title in HRE as either FLSA nonexempt, or FLSA exempt.

(a) An employee may appeal the FLSA designation to the agency human resource field office. Further appeals must be filed directly with the United States Department of Labor, Wage and Hour Division. Sections 67-19-31, 67-19a-301 and Title 63G, Chapter 4 may not be applied for FLSA appeals purposes.

(3) An FLSA nonexempt employee may not work more than 40 hours a week without management approval. Overtime shall accrue when the employee actually works more than 40 hours a week. Leave and holiday time taken within the work period may not be counted as hours worked when calculating overtime accrual. Hours worked over two or more weeks may not be averaged with the exception of certain types of law enforcement, fire protection, and correctional employees.

(a) An FLSA nonexempt employee shall sign a prior overtime agreement authorizing management to compensate the employee for overtime worked by actual payment or time off at time and one half.

(b) An FLSA nonexempt employee may receive compensatory time for overtime up to a maximum of 80 hours. Only with prior approval of the Executive Director, DHRM, may compensatory time accrue up to 240 hours for regular employees or up to 480 hours for peace or correctional officers, emergency or seasonal employees. Once an employee reaches the maximum, additional overtime shall be paid on the payday for the period in which it was earned.

(4) An FLSA exempt employee may not work more than 80 hours in a pay period without management approval. Compensatory time shall accrue when the employee actually works more than 80 hours in a work period. Leave and holiday time taken within the work period may not count as hours worked when calculating compensatory time. Each agency shall compensate an FLSA exempt employee who works overtime by granting time off. For each hour of overtime worked, an FLSA exempt employee shall accrue an hour of compensatory time.

(a) Agencies shall establish in written policy a uniform overtime year either for the agency as a whole or by unit number and communicate it to employees. Overtime years shall be set at one of the following pay periods: Five, Ten, Fifteen, Twenty, or the last pay period of the calendar year. If an agency fails to establish a uniform overtime year, the Executive Director, DHRM, and the Director of Finance, Department of Administrative Services, will establish the date for the agency at the last pay period of the calendar year. An agency may change the established overtime year only after the current overtime year has lapsed, unless justifiable reasons exist and the Executive Director, DHRM, has granted a written exception.

(b) Any compensatory time earned by an FLSA exempt employee is not an entitlement, a benefit, nor a vested right.

(c) Any compensatory time earned by an FLSA exempt employee shall lapse upon occurrence of any one of the following events:

(i) at the end of the employee's established overtime year;

(ii) upon assignment to another agency; or

(iii) when an employee terminates, retires, or otherwise does not return to work before the end of the overtime year.

(d) If an FLSA exempt employee's status changes to nonexempt, that employee's compensatory time earned while in exempt status shall lapse if not used by the end of the current overtime year.

(e) The agency head may approve overtime for career service exempt deputy and division directors, but overtime may not be compensated with actual payment. Schedule AB employees may not be compensated for compensatory time except with time off.

(5) Law enforcement, correctional and fire protection employees

(a) To be considered for overtime compensation under this rule, a law enforcement or correctional officer must meet the

following criteria:

(i) be a uniformed or plainclothes sworn officer;

(ii) be empowered by statute or local ordinance to enforce laws designed to maintain public peace and order, to protect life and property from accident or willful injury, and to prevent and detect crimes;

(iii) have the power to arrest;

(iv) be POST certified or scheduled for POST training; and

(v) perform over 80 percent law enforcement duties.

(b) Agencies shall select one of the following maximum work hour thresholds to determine when overtime compensation is granted to law enforcement or correctional officers designated FLSA nonexempt and covered under this rule.

(i) 171 hours in a work period of 28 consecutive days; or

(ii) 86 hours in a work period of 14 consecutive days.

(c) Agencies shall select one of the following maximum work hour thresholds to determine when overtime compensation is granted to fire protection employees.

(i) 212 hours in a work period of 28 consecutive days; or

(ii) 106 hours in a work period of 14 consecutive days.

(d) Agencies may designate a lesser threshold in a 14 day or 28 day consecutive work period as long as it conforms to the following:

(i) the Fair Labor Standards Act, Section 207(k);

(ii) 29 CFR 553.230;

(iii) the state's payroll period;

(iv) the approval of the Executive Director, DHRM.

(6) Compensatory Time

(a) Agency management shall arrange for an employee's use of compensatory time as soon as possible without unduly disrupting agency operations or endangering public health, safety or property.

(b) Compensatory time balances for an FLSA nonexempt employee shall be paid down to zero in the same pay period that the employee is transferred from one agency to a different agency, promoted, reclassified, reassigned, or transferred to an FLSA exempt position. The pay down for unused compensatory time balances shall be based on the employee's hourly rate of pay in the old position.

(7) Time Reporting

(a) Employees shall complete and sign a state approved biweekly time record that accurately reflects the hours actually worked, including:

(i) approved and unapproved overtime;

(ii) on-call time;

(iii) stand-by time;

(iv) meal periods of public safety and correctional officers who are on duty more than 24 consecutive hours; and

(v) approved leave time.

(b) An employee who fails to accurately record time may be disciplined.

(c) Time records developed by the agency shall have the same elements of the state approved time record and be approved by the Department of Administrative Services, Division of Finance.

(d) A Supervisor who directs an employee to submit an inaccurate time record or knowingly approves an inaccurate time record shall be disciplined.

(e) A Non-exempt employee who believes FLSA rights have been violated may submit a complaint directly to the Executive Director, or designee, of the Department of Human Resource Management.

(8) Hours Worked: An FLSA nonexempt employee shall be compensated for all hours worked. An employee who works unauthorized overtime may be disciplined.

(a) All time that an FLSA nonexempt employee is required to wait for an assignment while on duty, before reporting to duty, or before performing activities is counted towards hours worked.

(b) Time spent waiting after being relieved from duty is not counted as hours worked if one or more of the following conditions apply:

(i) the employee arrives voluntarily before their scheduled shift and waits before starting duties;

(ii) the employee is completely relieved from duty and allowed to leave the job;

(iii) the employee is relieved until a definite specified time;

(iv) the relief period is long enough for the employee to use as the employee sees fit.

(c) On-call time: An employee required by agency management to be available for on-call work shall be compensated for on-call time at a rate of one hour for every 12 hours the employee is on-call.

(i) Time is considered on-call time when the employee has freedom of movement in personal matters as long as the employee is available for a call to duty.

(ii) An employee must be directed by his supervisor, either verbally or in writing, that he is on call for a specified time period. Carrying a pager or cell phone shall not constitute on-call time without a specific directive from a supervisor.

(iii) The employee shall record the hours spent in on-call status on his time sheet in order to be paid.

(d) Stand-by time: An employee restricted to stand-by at a specified location ready for work must be paid full-time or overtime, as appropriate. An employee must be paid for stand-by time if required to stand by the post ready for duty, even during lunch periods, equipment breakdowns, or other temporary work shutdowns.

(e) The meal periods of guards, police, and other public safety or correctional officers and firefighters who are on duty more than 24 consecutive hours must be counted as working time, unless an express agreement excludes the time.

(9) Commuting and Travel Time for FLSA exempt and nonexempt employees:

(a) Normal commuting time from home to work and back may not count towards hours worked.

(b) Time an employee spends traveling from one job site to another during the normal work schedule shall count towards hours worked.

(c) Time an employee spends traveling on a special one day assignment shall count towards hours worked except meal time and ordinary home to work travel.

(d) Travel that keeps an employee away from home overnight does not count towards hours worked if it is time spent outside of regular working hours as a passenger on an airplane, train, boat, bus, or automobile.

(e) Travel as a passenger counts toward hours worked if it is time spent during regular working hours. This applies to nonworking days, as well as regular working days. However, regular meal period time is not counted.

(10) Excess Hours for FLSA exempt and nonexempt employees: An employee may use excess hours the same way as annual leave.

(a) Agency management shall approve excess hours before the work is performed.

(b) Agency management may deny the use of any leave time, other than holiday leave, that results in an employee accruing excess hours.

(c) An employee may not accumulate more than 80 excess hours.

(d) Agency management may pay out excess hours under one of the following:

(i) paid off automatically in the same pay period accrued;

(ii) paid off at any time during the year as determined appropriate by a state agency or division;

(iii) all hours accrued above the limit set by DHRM;

(iv) upon request of the employee and approval by the agency head; or

(v) upon assignment from one agency to another.

R477-8-6. Dual State Employment.

An employee who has more than one position within state government, regardless of schedule is considered to be in a dual employment situation. The following conditions apply to dual employment status.

(1) An employee may work in up to four different positions in state government.

(2) An employee's benefit status for any secondary position(s), regardless of schedule of any of the positions, shall be the same as the primary position.

(3) An employee's FLSA status (exempt or nonexempt) for any secondary position(s) shall be the same as the primary position.

(4) Leave accrual shall be based on all hours worked in all positions and may not exceed the maximum amount allowed in the primary position.

(5) As a condition of dual employment, an employee in dual employment status is prohibited from accruing excess hours in either the primary or secondary positions. All excess hours earned shall be paid at straight time in the pay period in which the excess hours are earned.

(6) As a condition of dual employment, the Overtime or Comp selection shall be as overtime paid regardless of FLSA status. An employee may not accrue comp hours while in dual employment status.

(7) Overtime shall be calculated at straight time or time and one half depending on the FLSA status of the primary position. Time and a half overtime rates shall be calculated based on the weighted average rate of the multiple positions. Refer to Division of Finance's payroll policies, dual employment section.

(8) The Accepting Terms of Dual Employment form shall be completed, signed by the employee and supervisor, and placed in the employee's personnel file with a copy sent to the Division of Finance.

(9) Secondary positions may not interfere with the efficient performance of the employee's primary position or create a conflict of interest. An employee in dual employment status shall comply with conditions under Subsection R477-9-2(1).

R477-8-7. Reasonable Accommodation.

Reasonable accommodation for qualified individuals with disabilities may be a factor in any employment action. Before notifying an employee of denial of reasonable accommodation, the agency shall consult with the Division of Risk Management.

R477-8-8. Fitness For Duty Evaluations.

Fitness for duty medical evaluations may be performed under any of the following circumstances:

(1) return to work from injury or illness;

(2) when management determines that there is a direct threat to the health or safety of self or others;

(3) in conjunction with corrective action, performance or conduct issues, or discipline;

(4) when a fitness for duty evaluation is a bona fide occupational qualification for selection, retention, or promotion.

R477-8-9. Temporary Transitional Assignment.

(1) Agency management may place an employee in a temporary transitional assignment when an employee is unable to perform essential job functions due to temporary health restrictions.

(2) Temporary transitional assignments may also be part of any of the following:

(a) when management determines that there is a direct threat to the health or safety of self or others;

(b) in conjunction with an internal investigation, corrective action, performance or conduct issues, or discipline;

(c) where there is a bona fide occupational qualification for retention in a position;

(d) while an employee is being evaluated to determine if reasonable accommodation is appropriate.

R477-8-10. Change in Work Location.

(1) An involuntary change in work location shall not be permitted if this requires the employee to commute or relocate 50 miles or more, one way, beyond his current one way commute, unless:

(a) the change in work location is communicated to the employee at employment; and

(b) the agency shall either pay to move the employee consistent with Section R25-6-8 and Department of Administrative Services, Division of Finance Policy 05-03.03, or reimburse commuting expenses up to the cost of a move.

R477-8-11. Agency Policies and Exemptions.

(1) Each agency may write its own policies for work schedules, overtime, leave usage, and other working conditions consistent with these rules.

(2) The Executive Director, DHRM, may authorize exceptions to this rule, consistent with Subsection R477-2-2(1).

R477-8-12. Background Checks.

In order to protect the citizens of the State of Utah and state resources and with the approval of the agency head, agencies may establish background check policies requiring specific employees to submit to a criminal background check through the Department of Public Safety, Bureau of Criminal Identification.

(1) Agencies who have statewide responsibility for confidential information, sensitive financial information, or handle state funds may require employees to submit to a background check, including employees who work in other state agencies.

(2) The cost of the background check will be the responsibility of the employing agency.

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R512. Human Services, Child and Family Services.
R512-1. Description of Division Services, Eligibility, and Service Access.
R512-1-1. Introduction.

A. Pursuant to Sections 62A-4a-103 and 62A-4a-105, the Division of Child and Family Services (DCFS) is authorized to provide programs and services which support the strengthening of family values, including services which preserve and enhance family life and relationships; protect children, youth, and families; and which advocate and defend family values established by public policy and advocacy and education.

B. Child Welfare Services shall be made available for children who are abused, neglected, exploited, abandoned; for those whose parents are unable to care for them; and for the assisting of youth who are ungovernable or who are runaways. Spouse abuse services shall be made available to assist victims who have been abused or threatened by their partners.

C. The Division shall provide protective services, services given in the family home, short-term temporary shelter care services, and out-of-home placement and adoption services. The "Best Interest of the Child" shall be the guiding principle used in making decisions for those served by the Division.

D. The programs administered by the Division of Child and Family Services have been established to help children remain with their families, to solve any appropriate problem in their homes, and, if that is not possible, to place them in substitute care for as short a time as possible. When the Division finds that return of a child to the family will never be possible, adoption or guardianship shall be sought to insure a permanent family for the child. The Spouse Abuse services shall provide comprehensive assistance to victims of abuse, their dependent children, and in some cases, to the abusive spouse or partner so that families can be restored to harmony or helped to develop new, more productive ways of life.

E. The Division shall provide its services through local offices situated throughout the state. These offices are listed in telephone directories under Utah State Department of Human Services, Division of Child and Family Services.

F. The State Division of Child and Family Services located in Salt Lake City shall operate as the central office to administer Child Welfare programs, which include: (1) program planning, (2) policy development, (3) training and consultation, (4) program financing, (5) administration of the Interstate Compact on Placement of Children and the Interstate Compact on Adoption and Medical Assistance, (6) legislative and federal liaison, and (7) information and referral.

R512-1-2. Prevention Services.

The Division will either provide for, or contract for, any of several child abuse and neglect prevention services. Most prevention services shall be provided and funded according to the requirements of Section 62A-4a-309, known as the Children's Trust Account legislation.

R512-1-3. Intervention Services.

A. Protective Services. Child abuse and neglect investigation and services shall be provided to eligible clients. All referrals received alleging child abuse and neglect will be investigated in accordance with the provisions of Section 62A-4a-409. The Division will determine whether or not a child has been abused or neglected, or is in danger thereof, and shall take necessary action to protect the child from potential danger. Temporary care of children in shelter homes may be provided when children cannot be returned home due to the likelihood of further abuse or neglect. The parents of a child in shelter care will be kept informed of the child's health and safety and will be involved in developing plans for themselves and their child. If parents desire to visit their child in shelter care, shelter staff will arrange, as appropriate, visits with the child at the location designated by shelter staff but not at the shelter home. Assessment and treatment services will be provided to victims of child sexual abuse and their families.

1. Access. Investigations will be conducted using all appropriate referrals of alleged child abuse or neglect.

2. Eligibility. A report of occurrence of child abuse or that a child is at risk thereof will constitute sufficient eligibility.

B. Youth Services. Short-term crisis counseling services and shelter to runaway, homeless, and ungovernable youth and their families, may be provided in order to stabilize the family.

1. Access. Any youth, family, or other agency can access services defined in this rule, as long as the child is determined to be homeless, or ungovernable, or a runaway.

2. Eligibility. Youth who are either homeless, ungovernable, or who have run away shall be eligible.

R512-1-4. Home-Based Services.

A. Services. The Division shall offer services to families whose children are in their own homes, yet who are at a risk of or who have suffered from abuse or neglect. Services will be voluntary or court ordered, and shall be intensive to avoid unnecessary placement of children in substitute care. These services shall include, but not be limited to: (1) homemaker, (2) child day care, (3) day treatment for preschool children, (4) treatment for children who have been sexually abused, (5) protective supervision, and (6) family preservation services.

1. Access. Only families referred by DCFS staff shall be provided these services.

2. Eligibility. A family must be determined to be in a state of crisis and children shall be at risk of abuse or neglect. Clients receiving treatment for preschool children and sexual abuse treatment may be required to pay a fee based on the family's ability to pay. Fees shall be calculated as a percentage of family income up to the total cost of the service. Clients receiving child care as a protective service shall not be assessed a fee; however, if the family is receiving child care and paying a fee prior to protective services, they will continue to pay day care fees.

B. Custody Studies. Upon an order of the District Court, the Division may engage in and complete child custody studies.

1. Access. Access shall be authorized by receipt of a District Court Order.

2. Eligibility. A District Court Order will provide eligibility. The parties to the action shall be assessed a fee based upon income. Fees shall be determined from the Department fee schedule #1 for low income families. A separate fee schedule shall provide for parents to pay up to the total cost of the study based upon income for families above 150% of the median income.

C. Family Violence. For victims of family violence and their minor children, shelter care facilities may be provided in order to protect the victim and the children from further violence. Short-term counseling may be provided to the family while in shelter, and treatment services shall be offered to the perpetrator of the abuse in order to stop the violence and maintain the family as a unit. Children of abused spouses eligible for Domestic Violence services may receive child care without a fee as part of the protective services provided to the family.

1. Access. The victim of family violence shall have access to the services listed above by requesting protection or by referral.

2. Eligibility. The only eligibility factor is that the victim shall have been abused by the spouse or some other member of the family. The perpetrator may be assessed, through court order, for the costs of the Division's providing these services.

R512-1-5. Out-of-Home Care Services.

A. The following definitions apply to this section:

1. Cohabiting means residing with another person and being involved in a sexual relationship.

2. Involved in a sexual relationship means any sexual activity and conduct between persons.

3. Residing means living in the same household on an uninterrupted or an intermittent basis.

B. Foster Care and Group Care. Child placement services may be provided when parents are unable to meet their children's needs within the family. The Division has authority to place a child when the state has been granted custody through a court order, or when a voluntary agreement has been signed by the parents, or when the child is from another state and is covered by the Interstate Compact for the Placement of Children. The intent of foster or group care is to insure a permanent home for each child. This may be achieved through a return to the home, or through adoption, emancipation, guardianship, or permanent foster care services. A Permanency Plan for each foster child, defining the goal and steps to be taken to achieve permanency, shall be formulated. Periodic reviews shall be held at least once every six months to assess progress achieved within the Permanency Plan, and to project a likely date for returning the youth to the family home or to another permanent home arrangement. A dispositional hearing shall be held every 18 months from date of placement to determine the future status of the child. Foster care shall be provided in licensed family homes. A foster parent or foster parents must complete a declaration of compliance with Section 78B-6-137 that they are not cohabiting with another person in a sexual relationship. Beginning May 1, 2000, the division gives priority for foster care placements to families in which both a man and a woman are legally married or valid proof that a court or administrative order has established a valid common law marriage, Section 30-1-4.5. An individual who is not cohabiting may also be a foster parent if the Region Director determines it is in the best interest of the child. Legally married couples and individuals who are not cohabiting and are blood relatives of the child in the divisions' custody may be foster parents pursuant to Section 78A-6-307. Group care shall be provided in licensed facilities which offer a more structured treatment environment than a family home. Foster homes are licensed in accordance with R501-12. Residential Treatment Programs, also known as group homes, are licensed in accordance with R501-2 and R501-3-3.

1. Access. Referrals can be made from Protective Services or from Juvenile Court and other agencies. Parents can request placement services by contacting the local DFS Office. Referrals for foster or group care may be screened to determine whether placement is the best option. In most cases, services which are intended to prevent placement must be first provided, before foster or group care will be considered by the Division.

2. Eligibility. Temporary child custody must be given to the State by court order, or by voluntary agreement, and most parents shall be obligated to pay support while their child is in foster care. Youth can be served in foster or group care until age 18, or until age 21 when ordered by the court.

C. Independent Living. Services may be given to older teenage foster children to teach self-sufficiency skills in order to increase their ability to be self-reliant in the future. Some who do not return to living with their parents upon leaving foster care will be allowed to live on their own. All foster children age 16 and older shall be required to be working toward at least one objective in developing independent living skills in their Permanency Plans.

1. Access. Access shall be given only by a referral from the foster care worker.

2. Eligibility. Foster children who are at least 16 years old and who are in custody of the State shall be eligible.

D. Adoption. This service provides adoptive homes for children in custody of the State who are legally available because the birth parents have been permanently deprived of parental rights by court action, or who have voluntarily relinquished their children for adoption. The choice of an adoptive home is based on the best interests of the child. When the children placed for adoption are hard to place because of their special needs, a subsidy payment can be approved to enable adoptions by a family needing assistance in caring for the child. Independent adoption home studies shall be completed only by direct order of a District Court.

1. Access. Access is available only by a referral from foster care staff. Adults wishing to adopt a child may apply to their local DCFS Office for consideration. Receipt of applications can be suspended by a local office based on the number of approved homes waiting for a placement and the number of children available.

2. Eligibility. To be eligible, the child must be in custody of the State, be legally freed for adoption, and the Division must determine that adoption is the best Permanency option for the child. Persons approved to be adoptive parents must meet certain standards before approval. Application and placement fees may be charged, or may be waived for families adopting a hard- to-place child. Fees, based on a sliding fee schedule, shall be charged for home studies sent to the U.S. Immigration Service and for completed Independent Adoption Home Studies. Authorization of subsidies for hard-to-place children shall be determined by the Division which shall assess the resources of the adoptive family to meet the child's need for maintenance or treatment.

E. Provider Services. Persons applying to be foster or emergency care parents shall be given information and a home study will be completed. For those approved as meeting program standards, basic training will be provided, as well as any additional training which may be required for some types of care. Annual reapproval is required.

1. Access. Persons interested in becoming foster parents or who wish to provide emergency care, such as shelter care, may apply to their local DCFS Office.

2. Eligibility. Any adult may apply for consideration. Persons approved to be providers must meet certain standards of the Division before approval is granted.

R512-1-6. Collection of Fees.

The regional office staff shall collect any assessed fees for services. Failure of a family to pay the assessed fee may result in the termination of the service and a referral to the Office of Recovery Services for collection. For hardship situations, a fee reduction can be considered by the Director of the Division. An appeal of any decision may be made according to the provisions of R503-5.

R512-1-7. Civil Rights and Due Process.

The Division shall comply with the Department of Human Services policy of Civil Rights. The Division seeks to provide equal opportunity and to insure due process in all actions taken pursuant to these rules. Consumers have the right to be notified about decisions made about their eligibility for any service which is requested and received through the Division of Child and Family Services, and to request a hearing if they disagree with any decision. Notice of a decision shall be sent by the Division when an application for service or a service payment is denied, or if a service is reduced or terminated. Consumers must make a request for any hearings regarding services and decisions specified in this rule in writing.

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R512. Human Services, Child and Family Services.
R512-31. Foster Parent Due Process.
R512-31-1. Due Process Rights.

A. As authorized by Section 62A-4a-206, a foster parent has a right to due process when a decision is made to remove a child from a foster home if the foster parent disagrees with the decision, except if the child is being returned to the natural parent.

R512-31-2. Definitions.

A. For the purpose of this rule, the following definitions apply:

1. Emergency foster care means temporary placement of a child in a foster home or shelter.

2. Natural parent means a child's biological or adoptive parent, and includes a child's noncustodial parent.

3. Removal means taking a child from a foster home for the purpose of placing the child in another foster home or facility, or not returning a child who has run from a foster home back to that foster home.

R512-31-3. Notice to Foster Parents.

A. A foster parent shall be notified that a foster child in the foster parent's care is to be moved to another placement ten days prior to removal, unless there is a reasonable basis to believe that immediate removal is necessary, as specified in R512-31-3.D. The foster parent shall be notified by personal communication and by Notice of Agency Action.

B. The Notice of Agency Action shall be sent by certified mail, return receipt requested, or personally delivered.

C. In addition to requirements specified in Section 63G-4-201, the Notice of Agency Action shall include the date of removal, the reason for removal, a description of the foster parent conflict resolution procedure, and notice regarding the ability of the foster parent to petition the juvenile court directly if the child has been in the foster home for 12 months or longer in accordance with Section 78A-6-318.

D. If there is a reasonable basis to believe that the child is in danger or that there is a substantial threat of danger to the health or welfare of the child, the notification to the foster parent may occur after removal of the child. Notification shall be provided through personal communication on the day of removal and by Notice of Agency Action. The Notice of Agency Action shall be sent by certified mail, return receipt requested, within three working days of removal of the child.

R512-31-4. Request for Due Process.

A. The foster parent shall submit a written request for a hearing prior to removal of the child from the home, unless the child was removed as specified in R512-31-3.D. The request shall be sent to the entity specified in the Notice of Agency Action.

B. If the child was removed as specified in R512-31-3.D, the foster parent shall submit a written request for a hearing no later than ten days after receiving the Notice of Agency Action.

C. Prior to a hearing being granted, an attempt to resolve the conflict shall be made as specified in R512-31-5.A.1 and R512-31-5.A.2.

R512-31-5. Foster Parent Conflict Resolution Procedure.

A. The Foster Parent Conflict Resolution Procedure consists of the following:

1. A foster parent must first attempt to resolve a conflict with the Division informally through discussion with the caseworker or supervisor. If a conflict is not resolved through informal discussion, an agency conference may be requested by the foster parent.

2. The foster parent shall have the opportunity to provide written and oral comments to the Division in an agency conference chaired by the regional director or designee. The agency conference shall include the foster parent, foster care caseworker and the caseworker's supervisor, and may include other individuals at the request of the foster parent or caseworker.

3. If the foster parent is not satisfied with the results of the agency conference with the Division and a foster child is to be removed from the foster home, an administrative hearing shall be held through the Department of Human Services, Office of Administrative Hearings. The Office of Administrative Hearings shall serve as the neutral fact finder required by Subsection 62A-4a-206(2)(b)(ii).

R512-31-6. Administrative Hearing.

A. An administrative hearing regarding removal of a child from a foster home for another placement shall be conducted in accordance with R497-100. The Administrative Law Judge shall determine if the Division has abused its discretion in removing the child from the foster home, i.e., the decision was arbitrary and capricious.

B. If there is a criminal investigation of the foster parent in progress relevant to the reason for removal of the child, no administrative hearing shall be granted until the criminal investigation is completed and, if applicable, charges are filed against the foster parent.

C. If there is an investigation for child abuse, neglect, or dependency involving the foster home, no administrative hearing shall be granted until the investigation is completed.

R512-31-7. Removal of a Foster Child.

A. The foster child shall remain in the foster home until the conflict resolution procedure specified in R512-31-5 is completed, unless the child was removed as specified in R512-31.3.D. The time frame for the conflict resolution procedure shall not exceed 45 days.

B. If the child was removed as specified in R512-31.3.D., the child shall be placed in emergency foster care until the conflict is resolved or a final determination is made by the Office of Administrative Hearings as required by Subsection 62A-4a-206(2)(c).

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R512. Human Services, Child and Family Services.
R512-32. Children with Reportable Communicable Diseases.
R512-32-1. Definitions.

(1) "Communicable Disease" means any infectious condition reportable to the Utah Department of Health, pursuant to Section 26-6-3. These diseases are listed in the Code of Communicable Disease Rules (R386-702-2 and R386-702-3). In addition, for the purposes of this rule, human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) seropositivity will be considered a communicable disease. Non-reportable minor illnesses such as strep, flu, and colds are excluded from this definition.

(2) "Provider" means a person authorized and licensed to supply the daily needs of children in the custody of the Division of Child and Family Services. (Other divisions of the Department, for example, the Division of Juvenile Justice Services, shall function under separate communicable disease rules for those youth within their custody and jurisdiction.)

(3) "UDHS" means the Utah Department of Human Services.

(4) "DCFS" means the Division of Child and Family Services.

(5) "UDOH" means the Utah Department of Health, Bureau of Epidemiology or Bureau of HIV/AIDS Prevention and Control.

(6) "HIV Screening" means a laboratory test (Elisa Test) to detect evidence of infection with the HIV; the causative agent of acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (AIDS).

(7) "HIV Seropositivity" means the presence in an individual, as detected by confirmatory laboratory testing (Western Blot Test), of an antibody or antigen to the HIV.

(8) "High Risk Behaviors" means behaviors which may include injectable drug use, sharing intravenous needles and syringes, multiple sex partners, unprotected sex that increase the risks of contracting Hepatitis B, AIDS, HIV disease, and sexually transmitted diseases such as: gonorrhea, syphilis, chancroid, granuloma inguinale, chlamydial infections, pelvic inflammatory disease, and lymphogranuloma venereum.

(9) "Children at Risk" means an infant or child born to parent(s) engaging in or who have a history of engaging in high risk behaviors, or a child or youth who has been sexually abused by a person who engages in or has a history of engaging in high risk behaviors.

(10) "Contact" means an individual who has been exposed to a communicable disease through a known mode of transmission.

(11) "Controlled" means a classification of information (medical, psychiatric, or psychological) under the Government Records Access and Management Act (GRAMA), Section 63G-2-304.

R512-32-2. Confidentiality.

(1) In accordance with Section 26-6-27, records containing personal identifiers and information regarding communicable disease are confidential. Such information shall not be disclosed to any person (including UDHS personnel) who does not have a valid and objective need to know. Such persons who may have a valid and objective need to know may include: the Division of Child and Family Services administrators, program specialists, supervisor, and caseworker, the foster parent or provider, UDOH, the Guardian ad Litem, the Juvenile Court Judge, and persons providing psychological or medical treatment.

(2) Due to the GRAMA Act and state confidentiality laws, any documentation in the case record regarding HIV status or any other communicable disease information must be filed under the "Medical/ Assessment" section of the case record.

R512-32-3. Identification and Testing of Children with Communicable Disease.

(1) Testing at Agency's Request.

(a) Many medical or laboratory tests to detect communicable disease, including HIV screening, are not routinely performed as part of physical or medical examinations of children in the custody of DCFS. When DCFS has custody and guardianship of a child who may have a communicable disease, the State has the authority to obtain a medical evaluation to determine the child's communicable disease status.

(b) If a foster parent or provider has a reasonable belief that a foster child or the foster child's parent may have a communicable disease, the foster parent or provider shall promptly discuss it with the caseworker.

(c) If the caseworker has a reasonable belief that the child may have a communicable disease, the caseworker is required to contact UDOH promptly for consultation.

(d) A "reasonable belief" includes the following: information received that may indicate the child or the child's parent may be at risk from engaging in or having a history of engaging in high risk behaviors as defined in R512-32-1(H), a child who may be at risk as defined in R512-32-1(I), or medical information received by the worker, foster parent or provider.

(e) Communicable disease testing requires written, informed consent. If DCFS has custody and guardianship of a child, the State (DCFS) has the authority to provide written, informed consent for communicable disease testing. If a child under the custody and guardianship of DCFS refuses to be tested, the worker is required to contact UDOH and the Attorney General's office immediately upon hearing of the refusal.

(f) When a parent of a child in the custody of DCFS is known or reports to be involved in high risk behaviors, the worker shall contact UDOH for consultation.

(g) All contacts with UDOH shall be documented in the child's case record and filed under the "medical assessment" section of that record.

(2) Testing at Minor's Request.

(a) A minor may seek HIV testing without parental or UDHS consent. When the minor requests the test, the right to disclose test results belongs to the minor (Section 26-6-18). If the minor chooses to disclose the test results to UDHS, UDHS cannot disclose the test results to any other person, including the Guardian Ad Litem. Upon disclosure to UDHS of a positive test result, the caseworker shall contact UDOH for consultation and follow up.

(b) When a record of HIV testing is subpoenaed, the caseworker shall immediately contact the Attorney General's office or the DCFS program specialist or DCFS assistant director.

R512-32-4. Preparation for Placement in Foster or Out-of-Home Care.

(1) Prior to placing a child with a communicable disease, or upon discovering a child has a communicable disease, the DCFS caseworker shall contact UDOH for consultation. After consultation with UDOH and prior to placing the child, the DCFS worker shall staff the case with their supervisor, assistant director, the provider (as defined in R512-32-1, Definitions), as well as the DCFS program specialist or DCFS assistant director to assess the health risk to the child, to the provider, and to any other persons in the home. After the consultation with the team, UDOH, the caseworker, and the provider shall define the precautions necessary to mitigate the health risk.

R512-32-5. Considerations Regarding Placement of a Child With a Communicable Disease.

(1) A provider's decision to accept placement of a child with a communicable disease shall be made with sufficient knowledge of the specific risks involved, as well as any special accommodations or care requirements. Prior to making this

decision, the caseworker shall refer the provider to UDOH for consultation on the nature of the disease, modes of transmission, appropriate infection control measures, special care requirements, and universal precautions.

(2) If, after consultation, the provider accepts the placement, a Communicable Disease Information Acknowledgement form shall be signed by the provider and placed in his or her file, as well as the child's case record under the Medical Section.

(3) If a minor is discovered to have a communicable disease after placement, the consultation and documentation described in R512-32-5(A) and R512-32-5(B) shall be accomplished without delay.

R512-32-6. Pick-Up Orders.

(1) Pick-up orders filed with the Juvenile Court may state that the youth is engaging, or has a history of engaging, in high risk behaviors. The order or supplementary forms cannot include information that the child has or may have a communicable disease.

R512-32-7. Returning a Minor to the Parent's Custody.

(1) If a minor in DCFS custody tests positive for the HIV disease and the minor is being returned home, UDOH shall be responsible for informing natural parents of the child's positive test. Both caseworker and UDOH shall coordinate the placement of the child back home. The caseworker shall assist the parents in planning for the child's care and medical follow up needs.

(2) If a minor in DCFS custody tests positive for a communicable disease other than HIV disease and the minor is being returned home, the caseworker is responsible for informing the natural parents of the child's positive test and if needed, referring them to UDOH for consultation and appropriate medical resources.

R512-32-8. When a Minor in Custody Has Been Exposed to a Person Who Has Tested Positive.

(1) When a minor in the custody of DCFS is identified by the Health Department as having been exposed to a person who has tested positive, UDOH shall contact the DCFS foster care specialist or assistant director who shall then contact the appropriate caseworker. The caseworker shall contact UDOH to arrange for the minor to be tested and counseled. The worker and provider will follow up on recommended medical treatment and other necessary services.

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R512. Human Services, Child and Family Services.
R512-41. Qualifying Adoptive Families and Adoption Placement.
R512-41-1. Purpose and Authority.

As authorized by Sections 62A-4a-102, 62A-4a-105, and 62A-4a-205.6, Child and Family Services qualifies adoptive parents and individuals for the adoption of children in the custody of Child and Family Services. This rule specifies the requirements used to qualify adoptive parents or individuals and the criteria for adoption placement.

R512-41-2. Definitions.

A. For the purpose of this rule the following definitions apply:

1. Adoptive parent(s) means a family or individual who completes Child and Family Services training for prospective adoptive parent(s) and is approved by a licensed child placement agency or by Child and Family Services.

2. Cohabiting means residing with another person and being involved in a sexual relationship.

3. Involved in a sexual relationship means any sexual activity and conduct between persons.

4. Permanency means the establishment and maintenance of a permanent living situation for a child to give the child an internal sense of family stability and belonging and a sense of self that connects the child to his or her past, present and future.

5. Residing means living in the same household on an uninterrupted or an intermittent basis.

R512-41-3. Requirements for Adoptive Parent(s).

A. Prospective adoptive parent(s) who apply to adopt a child in the custody of Child and Family Services, including kin or Child and Family Services employees, must meet all of the following requirements, pursuant to R512-40-4:

1. complete the adoption training program approved by Child and Family Services;

2. be assessed and approved as adoptive parent(s) following completion of a home study by a licensed child placement agency or by Child and Family Services;

3. obtain a foster care license issued by the Department of Human Services, Office of Licensing, or meet the same standards, or receive a written waiver from Child and Family Services of a standard;

4. receive a determination by Child and Family Services that no conflict of interest exists in the adoption process.

R512-41-4. Adoption Assessment Requirements.

A. An adoption assessment must be consistent with the standards of the Child Welfare League of America (the assessment may be done by a licensed child placement agency or Child and Family Services) and must include the following:

1. an autobiography or psychosocial inventory of prospective adoptive parent(s) and family members;

2. a behavioral assessment of parent(s) and children living at home;

3. a declaration that applicants are not cohabiting in a relationship that is not a legal marriage and in compliance with Section 78B-6-137;

4. a health status verification of parent(s) and children living at home;

5. a verification of financial status;

6. an assessment of home safety and health;

7. a criminal background check of all adults present in the home, including a national fingerprint-based check of prospective adoptive parents that is approved according to criteria specified in Section 62A-2-120;

8. a screening of all adults present in the home against the child abuse data base, including for prospective adoptive parents a check of child abuse registries in any states in which the prospective adoptive parents have resided in the five years prior to application to adopt;

9. an assessment of prospective adoptive parent(s) parenting skills;

10. recommendation of the types of children that may be appropriate for the prospective adoptive parent(s).

R512-41-5. Matching the Child and the Adoptive Parent(s).

A. In the matching process, the selection of adoptive parent(s) will be in the best interest of the child.

B. The decision must be based on a thorough assessment of the child's current and potential development, medical, emotional, and educational needs.

C. The capacity of the prospective adoptive parent(s) to successfully meet the child's needs and to love and accept the child as a fully integrated member of the family must be considered.

D. The child's preference may be considered, if the child has the capacity to express a preference.

E. When possible and appropriate, sibling groups should not be separated.

F. Foster care parent(s) (or other caregiver with physical custody) of the child may be given preferential consideration for adoption if the child has substantial emotional ties with the foster parent(s)/caregiver and if removal of the child from the foster parent(s)/caregiver would be detrimental to the child's well-being.

G. Geographic boundaries alone should not present barriers or delays to the selection of adoptive parent(s).

H. The Indian Child Welfare Act, 25 USC 1901-1963, takes precedent for an adoption of an Indian child who is a member of a federally recognized tribe or Alaskan native village.

I. Placements will be made in accordance with the Interethnic Adoption Act, 42 USC 1996b.

J. Child and Family Services observes the following priorities for adoption of children in Child and Family Services' custody:

1. Child and Family Services gives priority for adoptive placements to families in which both a man and a woman are legally married under the laws of this state or valid proof that a court or administrative order has established a valid common law marriage as specified in Section 30-1-4.5. An individual who is not cohabiting may also be considered as an adoptive parent, if the Region Director determines it is in the best interest of the child.

R512-41-6. Adoption Decision.

A. Permanency decisions should be made in a timely manner recognizing the child's developmental needs and sense of time. Child and Family Services shall make intensive efforts to place the child with adoptive parent(s) within 30 days after the court has freed the child for adoption.

B. Child and Family Services will appoint and convene an adoption committee or committees to select adoptive parent(s) in the best interest of the child and to determine the level of adoption assistance, if any. The committee is also responsible for recommending removal of the child from a placement.

C. The adoption committee will consist of at least three members to include senior-level Child and Family Services staff and one or more members from an outside agency with expertise in adoption or foster care.

D. Anyone who has information regarding the child and the potential matching families may be invited by the committee to present information but not to participate in the deliberations. The committee will reach its decision through consensus. If consensus cannot be reached, the committee will submit their recommendation to the Region Director. The Region Director may confer with the Child and Family Services Director for the

final decision.

E. The committee will make and retain a written record of their proceedings. All proceedings are confidential.

F. Any member of the committee who has a potential conflict of interest must recuse himself or herself from the proceeding.

G. Child and Family Services will send written notification of selection to the adoptive parent(s).

H. Child and Family Services shall provide detailed information about the child to the prospective adoptive parent(s), allowing sufficient time for the prospective adoptive parent(s) to make an informed decision regarding placement of the child. The information given to the prospective adoptive parent(s) must be a full disclosure of all information available and committed to writing. Release of all documents is subject to the Government Records Management Act. The prospective adoptive parent(s) shall be advised of possible financial and medical assistance available to meet the special needs of the child. Child and Family Services and the prospective adoptive parent(s) will acknowledge receipt of the information by signing Child and Family Services' information disclosure form. Child and Family Services shall respond to questions or concerns of the potential adoptive parent(s). The prospective adoptive parent(s) shall have the opportunity to meet the child prior to permanent placement.

I. A family or individual that is not selected for an adoption placement of a specific child shall have no right to appeal the decision, unless the parent(s) not selected for the adoptive placement is the child's current foster parent(s) and the foster parent(s) have completed all requirements. If the foster parent(s) are not selected for the adoptive placement, the foster parent(s) due process rights for removal of a child apply. Foster Parents Due Process, Utah Administrative Code, Human Services Rule, R512-31.

J. When approved adoptive parent(s) agree to accept the placement of a child for adoption, the adoptive parent(s) and a representative from Child and Family Services shall sign an adoption agreement on a form provided by Child and Family Services.

K. When adoptive parent(s) agree to accept the placement of a child who is not free for adoption, the parent(s) shall sign Child and Family Services' Foster Child Adoption agreement.

R512-41-7. Information Regarding the Adoptive Parent(s).

No identifying information regarding adoptive parent(s) shall be released to birth families without the written consent of the adoptive parent(s).

R512-41-8. Placement.

A. Child and Family Services will make every effort to make a smooth and effective transition of the child to the adoptive parent(s) with the cooperation of the foster family and others who have a supportive relationship with the child. All out-of-home requirements continue to be applicable until the adoption is finalized.

B. Adoptive parent(s) will have access to all relevant information in the case record to help them understand and accept the child and preserve the child's history. Child and Family Services will inform adoptive parent(s) of community services and adoption assistance available before and after the adoption is final.

C. Child and Family Services will develop a service plan within 30 days of placement and supervise adoptive parent(s), including frequent visits with the child for at least the first six months after placement.

D. Child and Family Services supervision will continue until the adoption is final.

R512-41-9. Adoption Disruption/Removal of a Child from Adoptive Parent(s) Prior to Finalization.

A. Child and Family Services shall consider removal of a child before an adoption is finalized if adoptive parent(s) request removal or if serious circumstances impair the child's security or development.

B. Prior to removal, Child and Family Services shall respond to adoptive parent(s)' concerns in a timely manner, counsel with the adoptive parent(s) and, if possible and appropriate, offer further treatment, including intensive in-home services or temporary removal of the child from the home for respite purposes.

C. When removal is recommended, the adoption committee shall review the placement progress, present situation, and decide to either continue placement with further services or to remove the child from the home. The Region Director will review and approve the decision.

D. If the adoption committee decides to remove the child, a Notice of Agency Action shall be sent to the adoptive parent(s) notifying them of their due process rights. The adoptive parent(s) shall be offered the same rights as those offered a foster family regarding removal of a child, Utah Administrative Code, Human Services, Rule R512-31.

R512-41-10. Adoption Finalization and Post Adoption.

Before an adoption is final, the adoption committee shall review the placement, authorize finalization, and approve adoption assistance, when appropriate. Utah Administrative Code, Human Services, R512-43.

R512-41-11. Adult Adoptee or Adoptive Parent(s) Request for Records.

The adoption records of Child and Family Services shall be made available to the adoptive parent(s) or adult adoptee upon written request in accordance with the Government Records Access Management Act, Title 63G, Chapter 2. An adult adoptee may also register with the Utah Department of Health Adoption Registry, Section 78B-6-144.

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R512. Human Services, Child and Family Services.
R512-42. Adoption by Relatives.
R512-42-1. Adoption by Relatives.

A relative who has a relationship with a child available for adoption may apply to adopt a particular child. The application and home study will be handled in accordance with Division of Child and Family Services, Adoption Policy, and in accordance with Title 78B, Chapter 6, based upon the best interest of the child.

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R512. Human Services, Child and Family Services.
R512-43. Adoption Assistance.
R512-43-1. Definitions.

In addition to terms defined in Section 62A-4a-902, the following terms are defined for purposes of this rule:

(1) Initiation of adoption proceedings means the earlier of (a) the date an Adoption Agreement is signed with Child and Family Services for placement of a child in the home, or (b) the date an adoption petition is filed.

(2) Child in public foster care means a judicially removed child whose placement resulting in adoption was immediately preceded by protective, temporary, or legal custody with a State IV-E agency, or a child who was placed with a State IV-E agency through a Voluntary Placement Agreement, or the child of a minor parent in foster care.

(3) A child or youth who was taken into protective custody and, as a result of the protective episode, was placed with a relative who was given legal custody meets the definition of a child in public foster care.

(a) If the court orders Child and Family Services to continue to provide Protective Supervision Services for the family in making safety and permanency decisions for the child, including placement decisions and permanency goals, the child is eligible for adoption assistance if the child's permanency goal becomes adoption, if all other criteria in R512-43-3(1-4) are met.

(i) This may include a change in placement to another relative while the Protective Supervision Services continue to be court ordered.

(4) State IV-E agency means Child and Family Services or a public agency or tribal organization with whom Child and Family Services has an agreement in effect for foster care maintenance payments in accordance with Title IV-E, Section 42 USC 672.

(5) AFDC means the Aid to Families with Dependent Children program that was in effect on July 16, 1996.

(6) Child with a previous IV-E agreement means a child who was Title IV-E eligible in a previous adoption with a fully executed adoption assistance agreement originating in any state, and the previous adoption was legally dissolved or ended due to the death of both of the adoptive parents.

R512-43-2. Purpose and Authority.

(1) The purpose of the adoption assistance program is to aid an adoptive family to establish and maintain a permanent adoptive living arrangement for a child who qualifies for the program under state and federal law.

(2) The adoption assistance program is intended to provide a permanent family for a child in public foster care or who receives Supplemental Security Income (SSI) by providing financial and medical assistance for the child's benefit and best interest to the family who adopts the child.

(3) Section 62A-4a-901, et seq. authorizes the state to provide adoption assistance and supplemental adoption assistance and Section 473, Social Security Act, authorizes federal adoption assistance. Section 473, Social Security Act (42 USC 673) (2001), 45 CFR 1356.40,(2000) and 45 CFR 1356.41 (2000) are incorporated by reference.

(4) This rule is authorized by Section 62A-4a-102.

R512-43-3. General Requirements for Adoption Assistance.

(1) Qualification for adoption assistance is based upon the child meeting qualifying factors, not the adoptive family.

(2) A child qualifies for adoption assistance if all of the following are met:

(a) The state has determined that the child cannot or should not be returned home.

(b) The state can document that reasonable efforts were made to place the child for adoption without providing adoption assistance. An exception applies if the child has significant emotional ties with the adoptive family and it is not in the child's best interest to consider a different adoptive placement.

(c) The state determines the child meets the definition of a child with a special need in accordance with Section 62A-4a-901, et seq.

(i) A child under age five in public foster care meets the special need definition of "a child with a physical, emotional or mental disability" when the child is at risk to develop such a condition due to specific factors identified in the child's or birth parents' health and social histories.

(3) In determining eligibility for adoption assistance, there is no income eligibility requirement or means test for the adoptive parents.

(4) A child must be a U.S. citizen or qualified alien to receive adoption assistance.

(5) An application for adoption assistance is submitted to the regional adoption subsidy committee on a form provided by Child and Family Services.

(6) Application for adoption assistance, approval, and completion of the adoption assistance agreement, including signatures of an adoptive parent and a representative from Child and Family Services, are to be completed prior to finalization of the adoption.

(7) Adoptive parents may request adoption assistance after an adoption is finalized by requesting a fair hearing through the Office of Administrative Hearings. Adoption assistance may only be granted after finalization when the conditions stated in R512-43-11-2(a) are met.

(8) Adoption assistance usually begins after finalization of an adoption. However, adoption assistance may be initiated at the time of placement if the child is legally free for adoption, the adoptive home is approved, adoption proceedings are initiated, an adoption assistance agreement is fully executed prior to placement, and foster care maintenance payments are not being provided for the child.

(9) An adoption assistance agreement shall be approved and have all required signatures before any payments may be made to an adoptive family or before state medical assistance may be initiated.

(10) A qualified child shall continue to be eligible to receive adoption assistance until a child reaches age 18 unless causes for termination apply as stated in R512-43-10. Assistance may be extended until a child reaches age 21 when the regional adoption subsidy committee has determined that the child has a mental or physical disability that warrants continuing assistance.

(a) An extension of adoption assistance beyond age 18 is warranted if the child meets the criteria for services in the Department of Human Services, Division of Services for People with Disabilities.

(11) Child and Family Services is responsible for notifying a prospective adoptive family of the availability of adoption assistance when the family begins an adoptive placement of a qualified child in public foster care.

(12) The adoptive parents are responsible to notify Child and Family Services of any circumstances that may affect the child's eligibility for adoption assistance or eligibility for adoption assistance in a different amount.

R512-43-4. Reimbursement of Non-Recurring Adoption Expenses.

(1) A parent who adopts a child meeting all of the qualifying factors for adoption assistance listed in R512-43-3(2) may be reimbursed for non-recurring adoption expenses on behalf of the child.

(2) A parent may be reimbursed up to $2,000 per child for allowable non-recurring expenses directly related to the legal adoption of a child with a special need. Reimbursement shall be

limited to costs approved by the regional adoption subsidy committee.

(3) Expenses may include reasonable and necessary adoption fees, court costs, adoption-related attorney fees, adoption home study, health and psychological examinations of adoptive parents, supervision of the placement prior to adoption, and transportation and reasonable costs of lodging and food for the child and/or adoptive parents during the placement or adoption process.

(4) Adoptive parents are responsible to provide necessary receipts for reimbursement.

(5) Only costs that are incurred in accordance with State and Federal law and that have not been reimbursed from other sources or funds may be included.

(6) Non-recurring adoption expenses are reimbursable through Title IV-E Adoption Assistance. The child does not have to be determined Title IV-E eligible for the parents to receive this reimbursement.

R512-43-5. Monthly Subsidy.

(1) Qualifying for a Monthly Subsidy.

A child qualifies for a monthly subsidy when the following requirements are met:

(a) The child meets all of the qualifying factors for adoption assistance listed in R512-43-3(2), and

(b) The child meets the definition of child in public foster care, qualifies for SSI, or the child had a previous IV-E agreement or Utah state adoption assistance agreement.

(c) The child's eligibility for SSI benefits is established no later than the time adoption proceedings are initiated.

(2) Guiding Principles for Monthly Subsidies.

(a) The amount of monthly subsidy to be paid for a child is based on the child's present and long-term treatment and care needs and available resources, including the family's ability to meet the needs of the child. A combination of the parents' resources and subsidy should cover the ordinary and special needs expenses of the child projected over an extended period of time.

(b) The amount of the monthly subsidy may not exceed the payment that would be made if the child was placed in a foster family home at the point in time when the agreement is being initiated or revised.

(c) The amount of monthly subsidy may increase or decrease when the child's level of need or the family's ability to meet those needs changes. The family or the caseworker may initiate a change in the amount of subsidy at any time when needs or resources change.

(d) For a child in public foster care, the requested amount of monthly subsidy is negotiated between the adoptive parent and caseworker. The Adoptive Parent Statement of Disclosure items must be reviewed in depth by the caseworker and adoptive parent prior to subsidy negotiation.

(e) The amount of the monthly subsidy is subject to the approval of the regional adoption subsidy committee. If the requested amount is not granted, the adoptive parent has a right to appeal as stated in R512-43-11.

(3) Process for Determining Monthly Subsidy Amount.

(a) Utilizing the level of need criteria specified in R512-43-5(4), the caseworker and adoptive family identify the child's level of need.

(b) The caseworker and adoptive family identify the applicable monthly subsidy payment range, according to the child's specified level of need, as specified in R512-43-5(5).

(c) The caseworker and adoptive family negotiate the amount of monthly subsidy to be requested from the regional adoption subsidy committee. The requested monthly subsidy amount may not exceed the maximum amount for the specific level of need identified for the child nor the maximum amount that the child would receive if placed in a foster family home.

(d) The identified need level for the child and requested amount of monthly subsidy is presented to the regional adoption subsidy committee for approval. If the requested amount is not approved or is reduced by the committee, Child and Family Services must send a written notice to the adoptive parents within 30 days informing them of the process to request a fair hearing.

(4) Determining Child's Level of Need.

(a) The level of need is determined by considering the child's age, history, physical, mental, emotional, and social functioning and needs, and any other relevant factors. Frequency of occurrence, duration, severity, and number of needs or problem areas are also considered.

(b) The presence of a particular issue listed within a designated level does not mandate that the child be categorized at that level. The child's needs, taken as a whole, determine the level selected for the child.

(c) Level of need is classified into three categories.

(i) Level One applies to a child with a minimal number and severity of needs. It is expected that most of these issues will improve with time, and significant improvement may be anticipated over the course of the adoption. For children ages five and under issues may include, but are not limited to: feeding problems, aggressive or self destructive behavior, victimization from sexual abuse, victimization from physical abuse; or no more than one developmental delay in fine motor, gross motor, cognitive or social/emotional domains. For children ages 6-18, issues may include but are not limited to: social conflict, physical aggression, minor sexual reactivity, need for education resource classes or tutoring, some minor medical problems requiring ongoing monitoring, or mental health issues requiring time limited counseling.

(ii) Level Two applies to a child with a moderate number and severity of needs. It is expected that a number of these issues are long-term in nature and the adoptive family and child will be working with them over the course of the adoption, and some may intensify or worsen if not managed carefully. Outside provider support will probably continue to be needed during the course of the adoption. For children ages five and under, issues may include, but are not limited to: developmental delays in two or more areas of fine motor, gross motor, cognitive or social/emotional domains; diagnosis of failure to thrive; moderate genetic disease or physical handicapping condition; or physical aggression expressed several times a week, including superficial injury to self or others. For children ages 6-18, issues may include, but are not limited to: daily social conflict or serious withdrawn behavior; moderate risk of harm to self or others due to physically aggressive behavior; emotional or psychological issues with a DSM-IV diagnosis requiring ongoing counseling sessions over an extended period of time; moderate sexual reactivity or perpetration; chronic patterns of being destructive to items or property; cruelty to animals; mild mental retardation or autism, with ongoing need for special education services; and physical disabilities requiring ongoing attendant care or other caretaker support.

(iii) Level Three applies to a child with a significant number or high severity of needs. It is expected that these issues will not moderate and may become more severe over time. The child's level of need may at some time require personal attendant care or specialized care outside of the home, when prescribed by a professional. For children ages five and under issues may include, but are not limited to: severe life threatening medical issues; moderate or severe retardation or autism; serious developmental delays in three or more areas of fine or gross motor, cognitive or social/emotional domains; anticipated need for ongoing support for activities of daily living, such as feeding, dressing and self care; or high levels of threat for harm to self or others due to aggressive behaviors. For children ages 6-18 issues may include, but are not limited to: moderate or

severe retardation or autism; life threatening medical issues; severe physical disabilities not expected to improve over time; predatory sexual perpetration; high risk of serious injury to self or others due to aggressive behavior; serious attempts or threats of suicide; severely inhibiting DSM-IV diagnosed mental health disorders diagnosed within the past year that limit normal social and emotional development, such as an Axis 5 GAF score under 50; or need for ongoing self contained or special education services.

(d) The regional adoption subsidy committee must approve the level of need identified for the child.

(5) Identifying Amount for Monthly Subsidy Based Upon the Child's Level of Need.

(a) Each level of need corresponds to a dollar range in the amount of monthly subsidy that may be paid for a child, with the specific amount based upon the individual child's needs and the family's ability to meet those needs.

(b) The monthly subsidy amount for an individual child may not exceed the maximum amount for the payment range applicable to the child's level of need. A family may choose to defer receipt of a monthly subsidy for which a child qualifies, with the option to initiate a monthly subsidy at a later date, or to receive a lesser amount than would be allowable for the level of need at a given point in time.

(c) Monthly subsidy payments for a child's needs categorized as Level One range from zero to 40 percent of the maximum maintenance payment that may be paid for a child in a foster family home.

(d) Monthly subsidy payments for a child's needs categorized as Level Two range from 41 to 70 percent of the maximum maintenance payment that may be paid for a child in a foster family home.

(e) Monthly subsidy payments for a child's needs categorized as Level Three range from 71 to 100 percent of the maximum maintenance payment that may be paid for a child in a foster family home.

(f) For extraordinary, infrequent, or uncommon documented needs that cannot be covered by a monthly subsidy or state medical assistance, refer to supplemental adoption assistance in R512-43-7.

(6) Funding Sources and Eligibility for Monthly Subsidy.

(a) The two funding sources for the monthly subsidy are Title IV-E Adoption Assistance and state adoption assistance funds. The child's eligibility determines which funding source is used for payment.

(b) Title IV-E Adoption Assistance shall be considered first for the monthly subsidy. To receive Title IV-E Adoption Assistance, a child with special needs shall meet at least one of the following Federal requirements:

(i) A child is determined eligible for SSI by the Social Security Administration prior to the initiation of adoption proceedings.

(ii) The removal home for the child in public foster care received, or would have been eligible to receive, AFDC prior to removal, and the child was removed from the home as a result of a judicial determination that remaining in the home would be contrary to the child's welfare.

(iii) The child was voluntarily placed for foster care with the state and:

(A) Was or would have been AFDC eligible at the time of removal if application had been made,

(B) The child lived with a specified relative within the six months prior to the voluntary placement, and

(C) Title IV-E foster care maintenance payments were made on behalf of the child.

(iv) The child's needs were met through foster care maintenance payments made to and for the child's minor parents as provided by Subsection 475(4)(B) of the Social Security Act.

(v) The child had a previous IV-E adoption assistance agreement.

(c) State adoption assistance funds may be used for the monthly subsidy if the qualified child is not eligible for Title IV-E Adoption Assistance.

(7) Use of the monthly subsidy.

The monthly subsidy may be used according to the parents' discretion. Some examples of the uses of the monthly subsidy payment are medical, dental, or mental health services not paid for by the state medical assistance or family insurance, special equipment for physically or mentally challenged children, respite, day care, therapeutic equipment, minor renovation of the home to meet special needs of the child, damage and repairs, speech therapy, tutoring, specialized preschool based on needs of the child, private school, exceptional basic needs such as special food, clothing, and/or shelter, visitations with biological relatives, cultural and heritage activities and information.

R512-43-6. State Medical Assistance.

(1) A child qualifies for state medical assistance as a component of adoption assistance when all of the following requirements are met:

(a) The child meets all of the qualifying factors for adoption assistance listed in R512-43-3(2), and

(b) The child meets the definition of child in public foster care, qualifies for SSI, or the child had a previous IV-E adoption assistance agreement or Utah state adoption assistance agreement.

(i) The child's eligibility for SSI benefits is established no later than the time adoption proceedings are initiated.

(c) The child meets state medical assistance citizenship requirements.

(2) A qualified child may receive state medical assistance through an adoption assistance agreement without also receiving a monthly subsidy payment.

(3) The adoptive family must meet all Medicaid requirements, including application, citizenship verification, and annual review requirements in order for Medicaid to be initiated and continue throughout the period of the adoption assistance agreement.

R512-43-7. Supplemental Adoption Assistance.

(1) A child meeting all qualifying criteria for a monthly subsidy and for whom an adoption assistance agreement for a monthly subsidy or state medical assistance is in effect may qualify for supplemental adoption assistance.

(2) Supplemental adoption assistance may only be used for extraordinary, infrequent, or uncommon documented needs not otherwise covered by a monthly subsidy, state medical assistance, or other public benefits for which a child who has a special need is eligible.

(3) Supplemental adoption assistance is not an entitlement, and will be granted only when justified by unique needs of the child and when all other resources for which a child is eligible have been exhausted.

(4) Supplemental adoption assistance requests up to $3,000 will be considered and are subject to the approval of the regional adoption subsidy committee.

(5) Supplemental adoption assistance requests from $3,001 to $10,000 shall be considered by the appropriate regional advisory committee established under Subsection 62A-4a-905(2).

(6) Supplemental adoption assistance requests exceeding $10,001 shall be considered by a state level advisory committee with the same membership composition as the regional advisory committees.

(7) Recommendations from the advisory committee are subject to the approval of the Region Director or designee.

(8) Any obligation made or expense incurred by a family prior to approval shall not be reimbursed with supplemental

adoption assistance funds unless approval is granted by the Region Director.

(9) A request for an amendment or extension of an existing supplemental adoption assistance agreement will be reviewed by the same committee that reviewed the initial request. If the total amount of multiple requests in a year is $3,000 to $10,000, the request shall be submitted to the appropriate regional advisory committee. If the request exceeds $10,000, the request shall be submitted to the state level advisory committee.

(10) Supplemental adoption assistance is subject to the availability of state funds appropriated for adoption assistance.

R512-43-8. Regional Adoption Subsidy Committee.

(1) Each region shall establish at least one regional adoption subsidy committee.

(2) The regional adoption subsidy committee shall be comprised of at least five members, and a minimum of three members must be present for making decisions regarding adoption assistance. Decisions shall be made by consensus.

(3) Members of the committee may include the following:

(a) Chairperson;

(b) Clinical consultant or casework supervisor;

(c) Regional budget officer or fiscal representative;

(d) Allied agency representative from agencies such as a community mental health center, private adoption agency, or other agencies within the department;

(e) Regional administrator or other staff with relevant responsibilities;

(f) Adoptive or foster parent.

(4) Responsibilities of the regional adoption assistance committee include:

(a) Verification that a child qualifies for adoption assistance,

(b) Approval for reimbursement of allowable, reasonable non-recurring costs,

(c) Approval of level of need and amount of monthly subsidy for initial requests, changes, and renewals,

(d) Approval of supplemental adoption assistance up to $3,000,

(e) Extension of adoption assistance up to age 21 for a qualifying child,

(f) Renewal of adoption assistance, and

(g) Documentation of committee decisions.

R512-43-9. Adoption Assistance Review.

(1) The adoption assistance agreement for a monthly subsidy or state medical assistance shall continue until the month of the adopted child's 18th birthday.

(2) An agreement for supplemental adoption assistance exceeding $3,000 shall be reviewed according to a time frame determined on a case by case basis by the appropriate regional advisory committee.

R512-43-10. Termination of Adoption Assistance.

(1) An adoption assistance agreement for a monthly subsidy or state medical assistance shall be terminated if any of the following occur:

(a) The terms of the adoption assistance agreement are concluded.

(b) The adoptive parents request termination.

(c) The child reaches age 18, unless approval has been given by the adoption subsidy committee to continue until age 21 due to mental or physical disability.

(d) The child dies.

(e) The adoptive parents die.

(f) The adoptive parents' legal responsibility for the child ceases.

(g) The state determines that the child is no longer receiving financial support from the adoptive parents.

(h) The child enters the military.

(i) The child marries.

(2) Termination of state medical assistance is subject to the policies of the Division of Health Care Financing.

(3) Supplemental adoption assistance shall terminate when an adoption assistance agreement for a monthly subsidy or state medical assistance is terminated, the terms of the agreement are concluded, the authorizing committee determines that the services funded with supplemental funds are no longer effective or appropriate based upon an independent review by a qualified provider, or if lack of availability of state funding prevents continuation. Written notice as described in R512-43-10(4) shall be provided at least 30 days before funding is discontinued due to lack of availability of state funding appropriated for adoption assistance or due to determination that services are no longer effective or appropriate.

(4) Adoption assistance shall not be terminated for an adoptive parent's failure to respond to a renewal request for the agreement unless Child and Family Services has given the adoptive parents adequate notice of the potential termination. Adequate notice means that a letter shall be sent to the adoptive parents notifying them of the need to renew the adoption assistance agreement, specifying a date by which the adoptive parents shall respond. If the adoptive parents do not respond to the original request, Child and Family Services shall send a certified letter to the family explaining the importance of renewing the adoption assistance agreement and the potential consequences of failing to renew the agreement. If the certified letter is returned unclaimed, additional efforts shall be pursued to locate the family such as a phone call or home visit before the assistance may be terminated. If the certified letter is returned undeliverable, the adoption assistance may be terminated.

R512-43-11. Fair Hearings.

(1) Fair Hearing Request.

A written request for a fair hearing may be submitted within 10 working days after receiving a Department of Human Services/Child and Family Services decision to the Department of Human Services if:

(a) The adoption assistance application is denied;

(b) The adoption assistance application is not acted upon with reasonable promptness;

(c) Adoption assistance or supplemental adoption assistance is reduced, terminated, or changed without the concurrence of the adoptive parents;

(d) The amount of adoption assistance or supplemental adoption assistance approved was less than the amount requested by adoptive parents;

(e) Adoption assistance was not requested prior to finalization of the adoption and one of the criteria in R512-43-11(2)(a) applies.

(2) Post Finalization Request Fair Hearing.

(a) The fair hearing officer may approve appropriate state or federal adoption assistance for post finalization requests if one of the following is met:

(i) Relevant facts regarding the child, the biological family, or child's background were known but not presented to adoptive parents prior to finalization.

(ii) A denial of assistance was based upon a means test of the adoptive family.

(iii) An erroneous state determination was utilized to find a child ineligible for assistance.

(iv) The state or adoption agency failed to advise adoptive parents of the availability of assistance.

(b) The adoptive parents bear the burden of documenting that the child meets the definition of a child with a special need and that one of the criteria in R512-43-11(2)(a) applies. The state may provide corroborating facts to the family or the fair hearing officer.

R512-43-12. Interstate Adoption Assistance.

(1) Child and Family Services is responsible to determine if a child in Utah public foster care qualifies for adoption assistance when the child is placed in an adoptive home in another state. If the child qualifies, Child and Family Services provides adoption assistance regardless of the state of residence of the adoptive family and child.

(2) If a child with a previous IV-E adoption assistance agreement enters public foster care because the adoption was dissolved or ended due to the result of the death of the parents, the state in which the child is taken into custody in public foster care is responsible to provide adoption assistance in a subsequent adoption.

(3) If a child with a previous IV-E adoption assistance agreement does not enter public foster care when the adoption dissolved or ended due to the death of both parents, the new adoptive parent is responsible to apply for adoption assistance in the new adoptive parent's state of residence.

(4) A parent desiring to adopt an out-of-state child who is not in public foster care but is receiving SSI shall apply for adoption assistance in the parent's state of residence.

(5) An adoption assistance agreement remains in effect regardless of the state of residence of the adoptive parents as long as the child continues to qualify for adoption assistance.

(6) If a needed service specified in the agreement is not funded by the new state of residence, the state making the original adoption assistance payment remains financially responsible for paying for the specific service.

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R512. Human Services, Child and Family Services.
R512-51. Fee Collection for Criminal Background Screening for Prospective Foster and Adoptive Parents and for Employees of Other Department of Human Services Licensed Programs.
R512-51-1. Purpose and Authority.

A. The purpose of this rule is to enable the Division of Child and Family Services to collect fees for processing criminal background screenings. These screenings are for prospective foster and adoptive parents of children in state custody and other adults in the home as required by Public Law 109-248 and Section 78A-6-308. These screenings are also for employees of other licensed programs upon request of the Office of Licensing as authorized by Section 62A-2-120, as capacity allows.

R512-51-2. Fee Collection for Electronic Fingerprint Scanning.

A. It is the responsibility of Child and Family Services Regional Offices to collect fees for electronic fingerprint scanning for the purpose of criminal background screening for prospective foster and adoptive parents of children in state custody and other adults in the home and for employees of other Department of Human Services licensed programs.

B. The amount of the fee charged for electronic fingerprint scanning will be approved by the Board of Child and Family Services as required by Section 62A-4a-102 and will not exceed the amount being charged for the same service from the Department of Public Safety, Bureau of Criminal Identification.

R512-51-3. Fee Collection for Cost of Submission of Electronic Fingerprints for Criminal Background Check.

A. Child and Family Services has the option to collect fees for all or part of the actual cost of submission of electronic fingerprints for criminal background checks through the Department of Public Safety, Bureau of Criminal Identification and the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

B. Child and Family Services may elect to pay all or part of this cost for prospective foster and adoptive parents of children in state custody and other adults in the home, subject to legislative funding for this purpose.

C. Child and Family Services will not pay any of the cost of submission of electronic fingerprints for criminal background checks for employees of other Department of Human Services licensed programs, but may submit the electronic fingerprints upon verification of payment of those fees by the Office of Licensing or designee.

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R512. Human Services, Child and Family Services.
R512-75. Rules Governing Adjudication of Consumer Complaints.
R512-75-1. Introductory Provisions.

(1) Authority and Purpose.

(a) This rule defines consumer complaint procedures in accordance with Subsection 62A-4a-102(4). These procedures are intended to provide for the prompt and equitable resolution of a consumer complaint filed in accordance with this rule.

(2) Definitions.

(a) The definitions contained in Section 63G-4-103 apply. In addition, the following terms are defined for the purposes of this section:

(i) "Absorbable within the Division's appropriation authority" means those expenditures that fall within the Division's budgetary parameters.

(ii) "Aggrieved Person" or "Complainant" means any person who is alleged to have been adversely affected by an act or omission of the Division or its employees.

(iii) The "Department" means the Department of Human Services.

(iv) The "Director" means the Director of the Division.

(v) The "Division" means the Division of Child and Family Services of the Department of Human Services, including its regional offices.

(vi) "Office of the Child Protection Ombudsman" means the office, separate from the Division of Child and Family Services, designated by the Department to investigate a consumer complaint regarding the Division of Child and Family Services.

(vii) "Ombudsman Service Review Analyst" means the representative from the Office of the Child Protection Ombudsman designated to investigate a consumer complaint.

(viii) "Reasonable time" means the time specified in the action plan.

R512-75-2. Procedures for Filing an Initial Informal Non-adjudicative Complaint With the Division.

(1) An aggrieved person shall first make a reasonable attempt to resolve a complaint with a caseworker and the caseworker's supervisor. If resolution is not reached, a complaint may be filed with the regional office.

(2) If there is a filing of an initial complaint with a Regional Office:

(a) The complainant or aggrieved person shall make a complaint no later than 180 days from the date of the alleged circumstances giving rise to the complaint. Written complaints are preferred but a complaint may be made in any form.

(b) Each complaint shall:

(i) include the aggrieved person's name, address, and phone number, and the names and addresses of all persons to whom a copy of the complaint shall be sent;

(ii) describe the Division's alleged act or omission in sufficient detail to inform the Division of the nature and date of the alleged event.

(iii) describe the action desired; and

(c) The complaint shall be provided to the DCFS Regional staff named in the complaint and filed with a regional office of the Division. The DCFS staff named in the complaint shall have ten working days from the date of the filing of the complaint to submit a response to the complaint.

(3) Investigation of the Complaint by the Regional Office.

(a) Complaints received by the Division's Constituent Services Office will be forwarded to the regional office or appropriate DCFS staff to address the complaint. The regional office or state specialist will contact the complainant and address the complaint. The DCFS regional office or DCFS staff may hold meetings of the concerned parties. The review shall be conducted to the extent necessary to assure that all relevant facts are determined and documented. Minutes and/or tape recordings shall be taken at the meetings. If the complaint is resolved no further action is necessary.

(b) Within 20 calendar days of receiving the complaint, the regional office or DCFS staff shall issue a written decision to the Division's Constituent Services Office, setting forth its action plan to address the complaint.

(c) If a complaint filed with a regional office is not adequately addressed, the complaint shall be forwarded to the Division's Constituent Services Office.

A complaint filed with the Division's Constituent Services Office that is not resolved within a reasonable amount of time shall be forwarded to the Office of the Child Protection Ombudsman. DCFS shall immediately notify the aggrieved person in writing that the complaint is being forwarded to the Office of Child Protection Ombudsman. The Division will forward copies of all correspondence regarding the steps taken by the Division to address the complaint to the Office of Child Protection Ombudsman.

R512-75-3. Procedures for Filing an Informal Non-adjudicative Complaint With the Office of the Child Protection Ombudsman.

(1) An aggrieved person may file a complaint to decision rendered by a regional office to the Office of the Child Protection Ombudsman, or if the Division is unable to resolve the complaint, it shall be forwarded to the Office of Child Protection Ombudsman according to the requirements of R515-1, Processing Complaints Regarding the Utah Division of Child and Family Services.

R512-75-4. Compliance with and Appeal of Recommendations of the Office of the Child Protection Ombudsman.

(1) Once OCPO completes an investigation according to the provisions of R515-1 and if recommendations are made to the Division, the Division has ten days to agree with the recommendations.

(2) If the Division does not agree with the recommendation, the Division may file an appeal to the recommendations of the Office of the Child Protection Ombudsman within 10 calendars days of receipt of the recommendations from the Office of Child Protection Ombudsman. The appeal shall be filed with the Department Executive Director and request that the recommendations be amended.

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R512. Human Services, Child and Family Services.
R512-202. Child Protective Services, General Allegation Categories.
R512-202-1. Authority and Purpose.

A. Pursuant to Section 62A-4a-105, the Division of Child and Family Services (DCFS) is authorized to provide Child Protective Services (CPS).

R512-202-2 Categories.

A. Qualification for Services. Referral and Investigation Allegation Categories for Abuse Neglect and Dependency. The Division worker receiving or investigating a report of child abuse, neglect, or dependency shall categorize the information into an allegation category. Severe and chronic categories of abuse and neglect are found in Sections 62A-4a-101 and 62A-4a-116.1. This rule contains the allegation categories that are not severe or chronic.

Abuse:

1. Child endangerment:

a. Driving under the influence with children in the vehicle;

b. Homes where there are lab paraphernalia, chemicals for manufacturing illegal drugs, access to illegal drugs, distribution of illegal drugs in the presence of a child, or loaded weapons within the reach of the child, or exposure to pornography;

c. Giving children illegal drugs or substances, alcohol, tobacco or non-prescribed/not recommended medications for that child;

d. Involving a child in the commission of crimes, such as shoplifting;

e. Other circumstances endangering a child.

2. Domestic Violence Related Child Abuse:

a. Potential for or actual injury to a child during a domestic violence episode;

b. Violent physical and/or verbal altercation between adults, in the presence a child.

3. Emotional abuse:

a. General emotional abuse, such as a pattern or severe isolated incident of:

i. Demeaning or derogatory remarks about the child or other family member in the presence of the child;

ii. Perception of or actual threatened harm;

iii. Corrupting or exploiting the child;

iv. Multiple false reports to CPS;

v. Terrorizing;

vi. Spurning (hostile rejecting);

vii. Denying emotional responsiveness;

viii. Isolating.

4. Material harmful to a child.

5. Physical abuse:

a. Physical abuse, general, excluding any physical abuse as defined herein, including (but not limited to):

i. Non-accidental injury to a child that may or may not be visible;

ii. Unexplained injuries to an infant or toddler;

iii. Unexplained injuries to a disabled or non-verbal child.

6. Fetal exposure to alcohol or other substances.

7. Fetal addiction to alcohol or other harmful substances.

8. Pediatric Condition Falsification (formerly known as Munchausen Syndrome by Proxy).

B. Neglect:

1. Medical neglect. This allegation or finding needs to based on the opinion of the child's primary care physician or other licensed medical professional. A parent or guardian may obtain a second opinion to be considered in determining medical neglect, at their own expense. A parent or guardian may obtain a second medical opinion to present for consideration by DCFS, but DCFS is not bound by the opinion and shall consider the totality of the facts.

2. Baby Doe (congenital birth defect that parents or caregiver declines to treat).

3. Failure to thrive, based on the opinion of the child's primary care physician or other licensed medical professional.

4. Neglect of child's physical health.

5. Neglect of child's psychological health.

6. Neglect of child's dental health.

7. Pediatric Condition Falsification (formerly known as: Munchausen Syndrome by Proxy).

8. Physical neglect.

9. Sibling or child at risk.

10. Educational neglect occurs when a child has been frequently absent from school without good cause or that the parent has failed to cooperate with school authorities in a reasonable manner, Sections 62A-4a-101(14)(a)(iv), 62A-4a-101(14)(b), and 78A-6-319.

11. Failure to protect.

12. Non-supervision.

13. Abandonment.

14. Environmental neglect. Physical neglect of the environment such as absence of utilities, home conditions below minimum standards, hazards, etc.

15. Dependency. A child who is homeless or without proper care through no fault of the child's parent, guardian, or custodian. Institutionalization of a parent or guardian who has not or cannot arrange for safe and appropriate care for the child.

C. Court ordered investigation. When a court orders an investigation on a case when the allegation is not one of the categories listed in this rule, the allegation category is court ordered.

D. Availability.

1. CPS Services are available in all geographic regions of the state.

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R512. Human Services, Child and Family Services.
R512-300. Out-of-Home Services.
R512-300-1. Purpose and Authority.

A. The purposes of Out-of-Home Services are:

1. To provide a temporary, safe living arrangement for a child placed in the custody of the Division of Child and Family Services (Child and Family Services) or the Department of Human Services by court order or through voluntary placement by the child's parent or legal guardian.

2. To provide services to protect the child and facilitate the safe return of the child home or to another permanent living arrangement.

3. To provide safe and proper care and address the child's needs while in state custody.

B. Sections 62A-4a-105 and 62A-4a-106 authorize Child and Family Services to provide Out-of-Home Services and 42 USC Section 472 authorizes federal foster care. 42 USC Sections 471 and 472 (2006), and 45 CFR Parts 1355 and 1356 (2000) are incorporated by reference.

R512-300-2. Definitions.

The following terms are defined for the purposes of this rule:

A. Custody by court order means temporary custody or custody authorized by Sections 78A-6-117 or 78A-6-322. It does not include protective custody.

B. Child and Family Services means the Division of Child and Family Services.

C. Department means the Department of Human Services.

D. Least restrictive means most family-like.

E. Placement means living arrangement.

R512-300-3. Scope of Services.

A. Qualification for Services. Out-of-Home Services are provided to:

1. A child placed in the custody of Child and Family Services by court order and the child's parent or guardian, if the court orders reunification;

2. A child placed in the custody of the Department by court order for whom Child and Family Services is given primary responsibility for case management or for payment for the child's placement, and the child's parent or guardian if reunification is ordered by the court;

3. A child voluntarily placed into the custody of Child and Family Services and the child's parent or guardian.

B. Service Description. Out-of-Home Services consist of:

1. Protection, placement, supervision, and care of the child;

2. Services to a parent or guardian of a child receiving Out-of-Home Services when a reunification goal is ordered by the court or to facilitate return of a child home upon completion of a voluntary placement.

3. Services to facilitate another permanent living arrangement for a child receiving Out-of-Home Services if a court determines that reunification with a parent or guardian is not required or in the child's best interests.

C. Availability. Out-of-Home Services are available in all geographic regions of the state.

D. Duration of Services. Out-of-Home Services continue until a child's custody is terminated by a court or when a voluntary placement agreement expires or is terminated.

R512-300-4. Child and Family Services Responsibility to a Child Receiving Out-of-Home Services.

A. Child and Family Team.

1. With the family's assistance, a child and family team shall be established for each child receiving Out-of-Home Services.

2. At a minimum, the child and family team shall assist with assessment, child and family plan development, and selection of permanency goals; oversee progress towards completion of the plan; provide input into adaptations to the plan; and recommend placement type or level.

B. Assessment.

1. A written assessment is completed for each child placed in custody of Child and Family Services through court order or voluntary placement and for the child's family.

2. The written assessment evaluates the child and family's strengths and underlying needs.

3. The type of assessment is determined by the unique needs of the child and family, such as cultural considerations, special medical or mental health needs, and permanency goals.

4. Assessment is ongoing.

C. Child and Family Plan.

1. Based upon an assessment, each child and family receiving Out-of-Home Services shall have a written child and family plan in accordance with Section 62A-4a-205.

2. The child's parent or guardian and other members of the child and family team shall assist in creating the plan based on the assessment of the child and family's strengths and needs.

3. In addition to requirements specified in Section 62A-4a-205, the child and family plan shall include the following to facilitate permanency:

a. The current strengths of the child and family as well as the underlying needs to be addressed.

b. A description of the type of placement appropriate for the child's safety, special needs and best interests, in the least restrictive setting available and, when the goal is reunification, in reasonable proximity to the parent. If the child with a goal of reunification has not been placed in reasonable proximity to the parent, the plan shall describe reasons why the placement is in the best interests of the child.

c. Goals and objectives for assuring the child receives safe and proper care including the provision of medical, dental, mental health, educational, or other specialized services and resources.

d. If the child is age 14 or older, a written description of the programs and services to help the child prepare for the transition from foster care to independent living in accordance with Rule R512-305.

e. A visitation plan for the child, parents, and siblings, unless prohibited by court order.

f. Steps for monitoring the placement and plan for worker visitation and supports to the Out-of-Home caregiver for a child placed in Utah or out of state.

g. If the goal is adoption or placement in another permanent home, steps to finalize the placement, including child-specific recruitment efforts.

4. The child and family plan is modified when indicated by changing needs, circumstances, progress towards achievement of service goals, or the wishes of the child, family, or child and family team members.

5. A copy of the completed child and family plan shall be provided to the parent or guardian, Out-of-Home caregiver, juvenile court, assistant attorney general, guardian ad litem, legal counsel for the parent, and the child, if the child is able to understand the plan.

D. Permanency Goals.

1. A child in Out-of-Home care shall have a primary permanency goal and a concurrent permanency goal identified by the child and family team.

2. Permanency goals include:

a. Reunification.

b. Adoption.

c. Guardianship (Relative).

d. Guardianship (Non-Relative).

e. Individualized Permanency.

3. For a child whose custody is court ordered, both

primary and concurrent permanency goals shall be submitted to the court for approval.

4. The primary permanency goal shall be reunification unless the court has ordered that no reunification efforts be offered.

5. A determination that Transition to Adult Living services are appropriate for a child does not preclude adoption as a primary permanency goal. Enrollment in Transition to Adult Living services can occur concurrently with continued efforts to locate and achieve placement of an older child with an adoptive family.

E. Placement.

1. A child receiving Out-of-Home Services shall receive safe and proper care in an appropriate placement according to placement selection criteria specified in Rule R512-302.

2. The type of placement, either initial or change in placement, is determined within the context of the child and family team utilizing a need level screening tool designated by Child and Family Services.

3. Placement decisions are based upon the child's needs, strengths, and best interests.

4. The following factors are considered in determining placement:

a. Age, special needs, and circumstances of the child;

b. Least restrictive placement consistent with the child's needs;

c. Placement of siblings together;

d. Proximity to the child's home and school;

e. Sensitivity to cultural heritage and needs of a minority child;

f. Potential for adoption.

5. A child's placement shall not be denied or delayed on the basis of race, color, or national origin of the Out-of-Home caregiver or the child involved.

6. Placement of an Indian child shall be in compliance with the Indian Child Welfare Act, 25 USC Section 1915, which is incorporated by reference.

7. When a young woman in state custody is the mother of a child and desires and is able to parent the child with the support of the Out-of-Home caregiver, the child shall remain in the Out-of-Home placement with the mother. Child and Family Services shall only petition for custody of the young woman's child if there are concerns of abuse, neglect, or dependency in accordance with 78A-6-322.

8. The child and family team may recommend a Transition to Adult Living placement for a child age 14 years or older in accordance with Rule R512-305 when in the child's best interests.

G. Federal Benefits.

1. Child and Family Services may apply for eligibility for Title IV-E foster care and Medicaid benefits for a child receiving Out-of-Home Services. Information provided by the parent or guardian, as specified in Rule R512-301, shall be utilized in determining eligibility.

2. Child and Family Services may apply to be protective payee for a child in state custody who has a source of unearned income, such as Supplemental Security Income or Social Security Income. A representative payee account shall be maintained by Child and Family Services for management of the child's income. The unearned income shall be utilized only towards costs of the child's care and personal needs in accordance with requirements of the regulating agency.

H. Visitation with Familial Connections.

1. The child has a right to purposeful and frequent visitation with a parent or guardian and siblings, unless the court orders otherwise.

2. Visitation is not a privilege to be earned or denied based on behavior of the child or the parent or guardian.

3. Visitation may be supplemented with telephone calls and written correspondence.

4. The child also has a right to communicate with extended family members, the child's attorney, physician, clergy, and others who are important to the child.

5. Intensive efforts shall be made to engage a parent or guardian in continuing contacts with a child, when not prohibited by court order.

6. If clinically contraindicated for the child's safety or best interests, Child and Family Services may petition the court to deny or limit visitation with specific individuals.

7. Visitation and other forms of communication with familial connections shall only be denied when ordered by the court.

8. A parent whose parental rights have been terminated does not have a right to visitation.

I. Out-of-Home Worker Visitation with the Child.

1. The Out-of-Home worker shall visit with the child to ensure that the child is safe and is appropriately cared for while in an Out-of-Home placement. If the child is placed out of the area or out of state, arrangements may be made for another worker to perform some of the visits. The child and family team shall develop a specific plan for the worker's contacts with the child based upon the needs of the child.

J. Case Reviews.

1. Pursuant to Sections 78A-6-313 and 73-3a-312, periodic reviews of court ordered Out-of-Home Services shall be held no less frequently than once every six months.

2. Child and Family Services shall seek to ensure that each child receiving Out-of-Home Services has timely and effective case reviews and that the case review process:

a. Expedites permanency for a child receiving Out-of-Home Services,

b. Assures that the permanency goals, child and family plan, and services are appropriate,

c. Promotes accountability of the parties involved in the child and family planning process, and

d. Monitors the care for a child receiving Out-of-Home Services.

K. Maximum Number of Children in Out-of-Home Care.

1. At no time during the fiscal year will the proportion of children in Out-of-Home care for over 24 months exceed one-third of the total number of children currently in Out-of-Home care.

2. On an annual basis, the statewide quality improvement committee will review data on the proportion of children in foster care over 24 months and the steps taken by Child and Family Services to ensure that proportion is not exceeded. As appropriate, recommendations for improvement will be made from the committee to Child and Family Services administration.

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R512. Human Services, Child and Family Services.
R512-301. Out of Home Services, Responsibilities Pertaining to a Parent or Guardian.
R512-301-1. Purpose and Authority.

A. The purposes of this rule are to clarify:

1. Roles and responsibilities of the Division to a parent or guardian of a child receiving out of home services in accordance with R512-300, and

2. Roles and responsibilities of a parent or guardian while a child is receiving out of home services.

B. Sections 62A-4a-105 and 62A-4a-106 authorize the Division to provide out-of-home services and 42 USC Section 472 authorizes federal foster care. 42 USC Section 472 (2000), and 45 CFR Parts 1355 and 1356 (2000) are incorporated by reference.

R512-301-2. Definitions.

The following terms are defined for the purposes of this rule:

A. Division means the Division of Child and Family Services.

B. Out of Home Services means those services defined in Rule R512-300.

C. Reunification means safely returning the child to the parent or guardian from whom the child was removed by court order or through a voluntary placement.

R512-301-3. Division Roles and Responsibilities to a Parent or Guardian of a Child Receiving Out of Home Services when Reunification is the Primary Permanency Goal.

A. The Division is responsible to make reasonable efforts to reunify a child with a parent or guardian when a court has determined that reunification is appropriate in accordance with Section 62A-4a-203 or when a child has been placed with the Division through a voluntary placement.

B. The Division shall actively seek the involvement of the parent or guardian in the Child and Family Team process, including participation in establishing the Child and Family Team, completing an assessment, developing the Child and Family Plan, and selecting the child's primary and concurrent permanency goals as described in Section R512-300-4.

C. The Child and Family Plan shall not only address child's strengths and needs, but shall also address the family's strengths and underlying needs. In accordance with Section 62A-4a-205, the plan shall identify specifically what the parents must do in order for the child to be returned home, including how those requirements may be accomplished behaviorally and how they shall be measured. Provisions of the plan shall be crafted by the Child and Family Team and designed to maintain and enhance parental functioning, care and familial connections.

D. In accordance with Section 62A-4a-205, additional weight and attention shall be given to the input of the child's parent in plan development.

E. The parent or guardian and the parent or guardian's legal counsel shall be provided a copy of the completed Child and Family Plan.

F. The worker shall have regular contact with the parent or guardian to facilitate progress towards goal achievement as determined by the needs of the parent and the recommendations of the Child and Family Team. At a minimum, the worker shall visit the parent or guardian at least once per month.

G. The Division shall make efforts to engage a parent or guardian in continuing contacts with the child, whether through visitation, phone, or written correspondence. Visitation requirements specified in Section R512-300-4 apply.

H. The Division shall also make efforts to engage a parent or guardian in appropriate parenting tasks such as attending school meetings and health care visits.

I. The parent or guardian has a right to reasonable notice and may participate in court and administrative reviews for the child in accordance with 42 USC Section 475(6) and Section 78A-6-317.

R512-301-4. Roles and Responsibilities of a Parent or Guardian of a Child Receiving Out of Home Services when Reunification is the Primary Permanency Goal.

In addition to responsibility to comply with orders made by the court, a parent or guardian has responsibility to:

A. Participate in the Child and Family Team process.

B. Provide input into the assessment and Child and Family Plan development process to help identify changes in behavior and actions necessary to enable the child to safely return home.

C. Complete goals and objectives of the plan.

D. Communicate with the worker about progress in completing the plan or regarding problems in meeting specified goals or objectives in advance of proposed completion time frames.

E. Maintain communication and frequent visitation with the child in accordance with Section R512-300-4, when not prohibited by the court.

F. Provide information necessary to determine the child's eligibility for Federal benefits while in care in accordance with Section R512-300-4, including information on household income, assets, and household composition.

G. Provide financial support for the child's care in accordance with 42 USC Subsection 471(a)(19) and Sections 62A-4a-114 and 78A-6-1106, unless deferred or waived as specified in R495-879.

R512-301-5. Guidelines for Making Recommendations for Reunification to the Court.

A. In accordance with Section 62A-4a-205, when considering reunification, the child's health, safety, and welfare shall be the paramount concern.

B. The Child and Family Team shall consider the following factors in determining whether to recommend that the court order reunification:

1. The risk factors that led to the placement were acute rather than chronic.

2. The family assessments (including factors such as the initial risk assessment, level of informal and formal supports available to the family, and family history, including past patterns of behavior) conclude that the parent appears to possess or have the potential to develop the ability to ensure the child's safety and provide a nurturing environment.

3. The parent is committed to the child and indicates a desire to have the child returned home.

4. The child has a desire for reunification as determined using age appropriate assessments.

5. Members of the Child and Family Team support a reunification plan.

6. If the parent is no longer living with the individual who severely abused the minor, reunification may be considered if the parent is able to implement a plan that ensures the child's on-going safety.

7. Existence of factors or exceptions that preclude reunification as specified in Section 78A-6-312.

C. The Division shall provide additional relevant facts, when available, to assist the court in making a determination regarding the appropriateness of reunification services such as:

1. the parent's failure to respond to previous services or service plan;

2. the child being abused while the parent was under the influence of drugs or alcohol;

3. continuation of a chaotic, dysfunctional lifestyle;

4. the parent's past history of violent behavior;

5. the testimony of a properly qualified professional or expert witness that the parent's behavior is unlikely to be

successfully changed.

R512-301-6. Return Home and Trial Home Placement.

A. When a child and family's safety needs have been met and the original reasons and risks have been reduced or eliminated, the child may return home, when allowable by court order or in conjunction with provisions of a voluntary placement.

B. The Child and Family Team shall plan for the transition and return home prior to the child being returned.

C. The Division shall provide reasonable notice (unless otherwise ordered by the court) of the date child will be returning home to all pertinent parties such as child, parents, guardian ad litem, foster care provider, school staff, therapist, and partner agencies, so all parties can be adequately prepared for the return home.

D. Prior to and when the child is returned home, the Division shall provide services directed at assisting the child and family with the transition back into the home and contact relevant parties to that no further abuse or neglect is occurring.

E. If it is determined that the child and family require more intensive services to ensure successful reunification, intensive family reunification services may be utilized in accordance with Rule R512-100.

F. A child may be returned home for a trial home visit for up to 60 days. The trial home visit shall continue until the court has terminated agency custody.

R512-301-7. Voluntary Relinquishment of Parental Rights.

A. When it is not in a child's best interest to be reunified with the child's parents, the Division may explore with both parents the option of voluntary relinquishment in accordance with Section 78A-6-514.

B. If the child is Indian, provisions of the Indian Welfare Act, 25 USC Section 1915, incorporated by reference, shall be met.

R512-301-8. Termination of Parental Rights.

A. If a court determines that reunification services are not appropriate, the Division shall petition for termination of parental rights in accordance with 42 USC Section 475 (5)(E), 42 CFR 1356.21(i), and Section 62A-4a-203.5 unless exceptions specified in 42 CFR 1356.21(i)(2) or Subsection 62A-203.5(3) apply.

B. The Division shall document in the Child and Family Plan care by kin or a compelling reasons for determining that filing for termination of parental rights is not in the child's best interests and shall make the plan available to the court for review.

C. When the Division files a petition to terminate parental rights, the worker must also concurrently begin to identify, recruit, process, and seek approval of a qualified adoptive family for the child. These efforts must be documented in the Child and Family Plan as specified in Section R512-300-4.

D. If the child is Indian, provisions of the Indian Welfare Act, 25 USC Section 1915, incorporated by reference, shall be met.

E. The Division shall not give approval to finalize an adoption until the period to appeal a termination of parental rights has expired.

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R512. Human Services, Child and Family Services.
R512-302. Out of Home Services, Responsibilities Pertaining to an Out of Home Caregiver.
R512-302-1. Purpose and Authority.

A. The purposes of this rule are to clarify:

1. Qualification, selection, payment criteria, and roles and responsibilities of a caregiver while a child is receiving out of home services, and

2. Roles and responsibilities of the Division to a caregiver for a child receiving out of home services in accordance with R512-300.

B. Sections 62A-4a-105 and 62A-4a-106 authorize the Division to provide out-of-home services and 42 USC Section 472 authorizes federal foster care. 42 USC Section 472 (2000), and 45 CFR Parts 1355 and 1356 (2000) are incorporated by reference.

R512-302-2. Definitions.

In addition to definitions in Section R512-300-2, the following terms are defined for the purposes of this rule:

A. Caregiver means a licensed resource family, also known as a licensed foster family, and may also include a licensed kin provider. Caregiver does not include a group home or residential facility that provides out of home services under contract with the Division.

B. Cohabiting means residing with another person and being involved in a sexual relationship.

C. Involved in a sexual relationship means any sexual activity and conduct between persons.

D. Out of Home Services means those services described in Rule R512-300.

E. Residing means living in the same household on an uninterrupted or an intermittent basis.

R512-302-3. Qualifying as a Caregiver for a Child Receiving Out of Home Services.

A. An individual or couple shall be licensed by the Office of Licensing as provided in Rule R501-12 to qualify as a caregiver for a child receiving out of home services. After initial licensure, the caregiver shall take all steps necessary for timely licensure renewal to ensure that the license does not lapse.

B. The Division or contract provider shall provide pre-service training required in Section R501-12-5 after the provider has held an initial consultation with the individual or couple to clearly delineate duties of caregivers.

C. The curriculum for pre-service and in-service training shall be developed by the contract provider and approved by the Division according to the Division's contract with the provider.

D. The Division or contract provider shall verify in writing a caregiver's completion of training required for licensure as provided in Section R501-12-5.

E. The Division or contract provider shall also verify in writing a caregiver's completion of supplemental training required for serving children with more difficult needs.

F. Once a licensed is issued, the caregiver's name and identifying information may be shared with the court, assistant attorney general, guardian ad litem, foster parent training contract provider, resource family cluster group, foster parent associations, the Department of Health, the Foster Care Citizen Review Board, and the child's primary health care providers.

R512-302-4. Selection of a Caregiver for a Child Receiving Out of Home Services.

(1) A caregiver shall have the experience, personal characteristics, temperament, and training necessary to work with a child and the child's family to be approved and selected to provide out of home services.

(2) An out-of-home caregiver shall be selected according to the caregiver's skills and abilities to meet a child's individual needs and, when appropriate, an ability to support both parents in reunification efforts and to consider serving as a permanent home for the child if reunification is not achieved. When dictated by a child's level of care needs, the Division may require one parent to be available in the home at all times.

(3) An out-of-home caregiver shall be selected according to the caregiver's compatibility with the minor, as determined by the agency exercising its professional judgment. The best interest of the child shall be the agency's primary consideration when making a placement decision.

(a) The agency may consider the out-of-home caregiver's possession or use of a firearm or other weapon, espoused religious beliefs, or choice to school the minor outside the public education system in accordance with Section 63G-4-104.

(b) The agency may consider the child's sex, age, behavior, and the composition of the foster family.

(4) A child in agency custody shall be placed with an out of home caregiver who is fully licensed as provided in Rule R501-12. A child may be placed in a home that is conditionally licensed only if the out of home caregiver is a kinship placement.

(5) An out of home caregiver shall be given necessary information to make an informed decision about accepting responsibility to care for a child. The worker shall obtain all available necessary information about the child's permanency plan, family visitation plans, and needs such as medical, educational, mental health, social, behavioral, and emotional needs, for consideration by the caregiver.

(6) If the court has not given custody to a non-custodial parent or kin provider, to provide safety and maintain family ties, the child shall be placed in the least restrictive placement that meets the child's special needs and is in the child's best interests, according to the following priorities:

(a) With siblings.

(b) In the home of licensed kin.

(c) With a licensed caregiver, group, or residential provider within reasonable proximity to the child's family and community, if the goal is reunification.

(d) With a licensed caregiver, group, or residential provider not in reasonable proximity to the child's family and community.

(7) If a child is reentering custody of the Division, the child's former out of home caregiver shall be given preference as provided in Section 62A-4a-206.1.

(8) A child's placement shall not be denied or delayed on the basis of race, color, or national origin of the out of home caregiver or the child involved.

(9) Selection of a out of home caregiver for an Indian child shall be made in compliance with the Indian Child Welfare Act, 25 USC Section 1915, which is incorporated by reference.

R512-302-5. Division Roles and Responsibilities to a Caregiver for a Child Receiving Out of Home Services.

A. The Division shall actively seek the involvement of the caregiver in the child and family team process, including participation in the child and family team, completing an assessment, and developing the child and family plan as described in Section R512-300-4.

B. The child and family plan shall include steps for monitoring the placement and a plan for worker visitation and supports to the out of home caregiver for a child placed in Utah or out of state.

C. In accordance with Section 62A-4a-205, additional weight and attention shall be given to the input of the child's caregiver in plan development.

D. The caregiver shall be provided a copy of the completed child and family plan.

E. The caregiver has a right to reasonable notice and may

participate in court and administrative reviews for the child in accordance with 42 USC Section 475(5) and Sections 78a-6-310 and 78A-6-317.

F. The Division shall provide support to the caregiver to ensure that the child's needs are met, and to prevent unnecessary placement disruption.

G. Options for temporary relief may include paid respite, non-paid respite, childcare, and babysitting.

H. The worker shall provide the caregiver with a portable, permanent record that provides available educational, social, and medical history information for the child and that preserves vital information about the child's life events and activities while receiving out of home services.

R512-302-6. Roles and Responsibilities of a Caregiver of a Child Receiving Out of Home Services.

A. An out of home caregiver shall be responsible to provide daily care, supervision, protection and experiences that enhance the child's development as provided in a written agreement entered into with the Division and the child and family plan.

B. The caregiver shall be responsible to:

1. Participate in the child and family team process.

2. Provide input into the assessment and child and family plan development process.

3. Complete goals and objectives of the plan relevant to the caregiver.

4. Promptly communicate with the worker the child's progress and concerns and progress in completing the plan or regarding problems in meeting specified goals or objectives in advance of proposed completion time frames. Support and assist with parental visitation

C. The caregiver shall document individualized services provided for the child, when required, such as skills development or transportation.

D. The caregiver shall maintain and update the child's portable, permanent record to preserve vital information about the child's life events, activities, health, social, and educational history while receiving out of home services. The caregiver shall share relevant health and educational information during visits with appropriate health care and educational providers to ensure continuity of care for the child.

R512-302-7. Payment Criteria for a Caregiver of a Child Receiving Out of Home Services.

A. An out of home caregiver shall receive payments according to the rate established for the child's need level, not upon the highest level of service the caregiver has been trained to provide.

B. The daily rate for the monthly foster care maintenance payment provides for the child's board and room, care and supervision, basic clothing and personal incidentals, and may also include a supplemental daily payment based upon a child's medical need or to assist with care of a youth's child while residing with the youth in an out of home placement. Foster care maintenance may also include periodic one-time payments for special needs such an initial clothing allowance, additional needs for a baby, additional clothing, gifts, lessons or equipment, recreation, non-tuition school expenses, and other needs recommended by the child and family team and approved by the Division.

C. A caregiver may also be reimbursed for transporting a foster child for visitation with a parent or siblings, to participate in case activities such as child and family team meetings and reviews, and for transporting the child to activities beyond those normally required for a family. The caregiver must document all mileage on a form provided by the Division.

D. The caregiver shall submit required documentation to receive payments for care or reimbursement for costs.

R512-302-8. Child Abuse Reporting and Investigation of a Caregiver Providing Out of Home Services.

A. Investigation of any report or allegation of abuse or neglect of a child that allegedly occurs while the child is living with an out of home caregiver shall be investigated by a contract agency or law enforcement as provided in Section 62A-4a-202.5.

R512-302-9. Removal of a Child from a Caregiver Providing Out of Home Services.

A. Removal of a child from a caregiver shall occur as provided in Section 62A-4a-206 and Rule R512-31.

R512-302-10. Cohabitation Not Permitted for Foster Parents.

A. foster parent or foster parents must complete a declaration of compliance with Section 78B-6-137 that they are not cohabiting with another person in a sexual relationship. Beginning May 1, 2000, the division gives priority for foster care placements to families in which both a man and a woman are legally married or valid proof that a court or administrative order has established a valid common law marriage, Section 30-1-4.5. An individual who is not cohabiting may also be a foster parent if the Region Director determines it is in the best interest of the child. Legally married couples and individuals who are not cohabiting and are blood relatives of the child in the divisions' custody may be foster parents pursuant to Section 78A-6-307.

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R512. Human Services, Child and Family Services.
R512-308. Out of Home Services, Guardianship Services and Placements.
R512-308-1. Purpose and Authority.

A. Guardianship services and placements provide a permanent, safe living arrangement for a child in the court-ordered custody of the Division or Department when it is not appropriate for the child to return home or be adopted, and continuing agency custody is not in the child's best interest.

B. Guardianship services are authorized by Sections 62A-4a-105(6) and 78A-6-105.

R512-308-2. Definitions.

A. "Child and Family Team" means a group that meets together as often as needed and works to support the family and assist them in meeting their needs. This may include the referent or other concerned individuals identified by the family as support persons.

B. "Guardianship" has the same meaning as defined in Section 78A-6-105.

C. "Division" means the Division of Child and Family Services.

R512-308-3. General Guardianship Qualifying Factors.

A. General qualifying factors apply for both relative and non-relative guardianship, and all factors must be met.

1. The child cannot safely return home. This requirement is met if the court determines that reunification with the child's parents is not possible or appropriate and the Child and Family Team and regional screening committee agree that adoption is not an appropriate plan for the child.

2. The parent and child have a significant bond but the parent is unable to provide ongoing care for the child, such as an emotional, mental, or physical disability, and the child's current caregiver has committed to raising the child to the age of majority and to facilitate visitation with the parent.

3. The prospective guardian must:

a. Be able to maintain a stable relationship with the child;

b. Have a strong commitment to providing a safe and stable home for the child on a long-term basis;

c. Have a means of financial support and connections to community resources; and

d. Be able to care for the child without Division supervision.

4. The child has no ongoing care or financial needs beyond basic maintenance and does not require the services of a case manager.

5. There are compelling reasons why the child cannot be adopted, such as when the child's tribe has exclusive jurisdiction or the tribe has chosen to intervene in the adoption proceedings. Under the Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA) of 1978, Public Law No. 95-608, 92 Stat. 3069 codified at 25 U.S.C. 1901-63, a tribe has the right to determine the child's permanency. For this reason, the tribe has the authority to approve guardianship with the current caregiver.

R512-308-4. Non-Relative Qualifying Factors.

A. In addition to general qualifying factors in R512-308-3, all of the following factors apply to non-relative guardianship and must be met.

1. The child is in the Division's legal custody and has been in custody for at least 12 consecutive months. If this is a sibling group, at least one child must have been in custody for 12 consecutive months.

2. The prospective guardian is a licensed foster parent.

3. The child has lived for at least six months in the home of the prospective guardian. The regional director or designee may waive the six-month placement requirement for sibling groups if at least one sibling has been in the home for six months and meets all other eligibility criteria.

4. A Child and Family Team has formally assessed the placement and found that continuation with the caregiver is in the child's best interest and supports the safety, permanency, and well-being of the child.

5. The Division has no concerns with the care the child has received in the home.

6. The child has a stable and positive relationship with the prospective guardian.

7. The child has reached the age of 12 years. The regional director or designee may waive the age requirement for members of a sibling group placed with a non-relative if at least one sibling is 12 years of age or older and meets all other guardianship criteria and adoption is not the best permanency option for the younger children.

R512-308-5. Relative Qualifying Factors.

A. In addition to general qualifying factors found in R512-308-3, all of the following factors apply for relative guardianship and must be met.

1. The child's prospective guardian is a relative who meets the relationship requirements of the Department of Workforce Services Specified Relative Program, which currently includes:

a. Grandfather or grandmother;

b. Brother or sister;

c. Uncle or aunt;

d. First cousin;

e. First cousin once removed (a first cousin's child);

f. Nephew or niece;

g. Persons of preceding generations as designated by prefixes of grand, great, great great, or great great great;

h. Spouses of any relative mentioned above even if the marriage has been terminated;

i. Persons that meet any of the above-mentioned relationships by means of a step relationship; or

j. Relatives that meet one of these relationships by legal adoption.

2. If not licensed as a foster parent, the relative has completed kinship screening, including a home study and background checks, in accordance with kinship practice guidelines.

3. The child's needs may be met without continued Division funding. In order to be considered for a guardianship subsidy, the prospective relative guardian must be a licensed foster parent and demonstrate that they cannot qualify for a Specified Relative Grant through the Department of Workforce Services as outlined in R512-308-6.

R512-308-6. Guardianship Subsidy Availability, Scope, Duration.

A. Guardianship subsidies are available to meet the care and maintenance needs for children in foster care:

1. For whom guardianship has been determined as the most appropriate primary goal.

2. Who do not otherwise have adequate resources available for their care and maintenance.

3. Who meet the qualifying factors described in R512-308-4 Non-Relative Qualifying Factors and who cannot qualify to receive a Specified Relative Grant from the Department of Workforce Services.

a. The caseworker must be provided with a copy of a denial letter from the Department of Workforce Services or written proof that the relationship requirements do not apply, such as through relevant birth certificates.

b. Approval from the regional guardianship screening committee and regional administration is required in making this determination.

B. If a prospective guardian is found to be receiving both a Specified Relative Grant and guardianship subsidy for the

same child, the caseworker will notify the Department of Workforce Services and appropriate actions may be taken for repayment.

C. Guardianship subsidies are available through the month in which the child reaches age 18.

D. Each region may establish a limit to the number of eligible children who may receive guardianship subsidies.

E. Guardianship subsidies are subject to the availability of state funds designated for this purpose.

R512-308-7. Regional Guardianship Subsidy Screening Committee.

A. Each region shall establish at least one regional guardianship subsidy screening committee. This committee may be combined with another appropriate committee, such as the adoption subsidy committee or placement committee.

B. The regional guardianship subsidy screening committee shall be comprised of at least five members. A minimum of three members must be present for making decisions regarding a guardianship subsidy. Decisions shall be made by consensus.

C. The regional guardianship subsidy screening committee is responsible to:

1. Verify that a child qualifies for a guardianship subsidy.

2. Approve the level of need and amount of monthly subsidy for initial requests, changes, and renewals.

3. Document the committee's decisions.

4. Coordinate supportive services to prevent disruptions and preserve permanency.

R512-308-8. Determining Guardianship Subsidy Amounts.

A. The regional guardianship subsidy screening committee will determine the subsidy amount by considering the special needs of the child and the circumstances of the guardian family. The caseworker presents to the committee information regarding the special needs of the child, the guardian family income and expenses, and/or the guardian family's special circumstances.

B. All of the following factors must be considered when determining the amount of the monthly subsidy to be granted:

1. All sources of financial support for the child including Supplemental Security Income, Social Security benefits, and other benefits. The regional guardianship subsidy committee may require verification of financial support.

a. If a child is receiving benefit income and the income can continue after guardianship is granted, this amount will be deducted from the guardianship subsidy amount.

b. The guardianship subsidy should not replace other available income, such as Supplemental Security Income.

C. A guardianship subsidy will not exceed the levels indicated in Level I and Level II below, and may be less based upon the ongoing needs of the child and the needs of the guardian family.

1. Guardianship Level I (Basic): Guardianship Level I is for a child who may have mild to moderate medical needs, psychological, emotional, or behavioral problems, and who requires parental supervision and care. The amount of guardianship subsidy for a child whose needs are within Level I may be any amount up to the lowest basic foster care rate.

2. Guardianship Level II (Specialized): Guardianship Level II is for a child who may be physically disabled, developmentally delayed, medically needy or medically fragile, or have a serious emotional disorder. The amount of the guardianship subsidy may range from the lowest basic foster care rate to the lowest specialized foster care rate.

D. Children who are receiving the structured foster care rate in foster care or who are in a group or residential setting are considered for the Guardianship Level II rate.

E. Guardianship subsidies may not exceed the Guardianship Level II rate.

F. Guardianship subsidies are funded with state general funds within regional foster care budgets. A region has the discretion to limit the number of guardianship subsidies or reduce guardianship subsidy rates based on the availability of funds.

G. Changing the amount of the guardianship subsidy.

1. The amount of a guardianship subsidy does not automatically increase when there is a foster care rate change or as the child ages.

2. A guardian may request a guardianship subsidy review when seeking an increase in the guardianship subsidy amount, not to exceed the maximum amount allowable for the child's level of need. The guardian must complete the Request for Subsidy Increase Form to provide documentation to justify the request.

3. The request must be reviewed and approved by the regional guardianship subsidy screening committee. If approved, a new Guardian Subsidy Agreement will be completed.

4. The Division must provide written notice of agency action by certified mail at least 30 days in advance if a guardianship subsidy rate is going to be reduced.

R512-308-9. Guardianship Subsidy Agreement.

A. A Guardianship Subsidy Agreement specifies the terms for financial support for the child's basic needs.

B. A guardianship subsidy worker will complete the Guardianship Subsidy Agreement.

C. The effective date of the initial agreement is the date of the court order granting guardianship.

D. A Guardianship Subsidy Agreement must:

1. Be signed by the guardian and the Division prior to any payments being made.

2. Identify the reason a subsidy is needed.

3. List the amount of the monthly payment.

4. Identify dates the agreement is in effect.

5. Identify responsibilities of the guardian.

6. Identify under what circumstances the agreement may be amended or terminated and the time period for agreement reviews.

7. Include a provision for a reduction or termination in the amount of the guardianship subsidy in the event a legislative or executive branch action affects the Division's budget or expenditure authority, making it necessary for the Division to reduce or terminate guardianship subsidies or if a regional office determines that reduction is necessary due to regional budget constraints.

8. Include a provision for assignment of benefits to the Office of Recovery Services in accordance with the Office of Recovery Services requirements.

9. Include a provision for re-payment of any financial entitlement made by the Department or Division to the guardian that was incorrectly paid.

R512-308-10. Notification Regarding Changes.

A. The guardian must notify the Division if:

1. There is no longer a need for a guardianship subsidy.

2. The guardian is no longer legally responsible for the support of the child.

3. The guardian is no longer providing any financial support to the child or is providing reduced financial support for the child.

4. The child no longer resides with the guardian.

5. The guardian has a change in address.

6. The child has run away.

7. The guardian is planning to move out-of-state.

R512-308-11. Reviews, Renewals, and Recertifications.

A. Reviews:

1. A guardianship subsidy worker will review each

Guardianship Subsidy Agreement annually. The family situation, child's needs, and amount of the guardianship subsidy payment may be considered.

2. Prior to review, the guardian must complete the Guardianship Subsidy Recertification form provided by the Division to verify that the guardian continues to support the child. If the Recertification form is not received after adequate notice, the guardianship subsidy may be delayed or face possible termination.

B. Renewals:

1. In order for guardianship assistance payments to continue, this agreement shall be renewed at intervals of up to three years until the child's 18th birthday.

2. The Department or Division shall provide written notification to the guardians before the next renewal date and shall supply the guardian with the appropriate forms.

3. The Department, the Division, and the guardian may negotiate the terms of a new agreement at any time. In order to be effective, all new agreements shall be in writing, on a form approved by the Department or the Division, and signed by the parties. Oral modifications or agreements shall bind the Department, the Division, and the guardian.

C. Recertification:

1. In order for guardianship assistance payments to continue, the guardian must recertify annually by completing and submitting the Annual Guardianship Assistance Recertification form to the Department or the Division.

R512-308-12. Appeals/Fair Hearings.

A. When a decision is made to deny, reduce, or terminate a guardianship subsidy, the Division shall send by certified mail a written Notice of Agency Action. The notice shall also include information about how to request a fair hearing.

R512-308-13. Termination.

A. A Guardianship Subsidy Agreement will be terminated if any of the following circumstances occur:

1. The terms of the agreement are concluded.
2. The guardian requests termination.
3. The child reaches age 18 years.
4. The child dies.
5. The guardian parent dies or, in a two parent family, if both guardian parents die.
6. The guardian parents' legal responsibility for the child ceases.
7. The Department or Division determines that the child is no longer receiving financial support from the guardian parent.
8. The child marries.
9. The child enters the military.
10. The child is adopted.
11. The child is placed in foster care.
12. The Department or Division determines that funding restrictions prevent continuation of subsidies for all guardians.

B. A guardianship subsidy payment may be terminated or suspended, as appropriate, if any of the following occur. The decision to terminate or suspend must be made by the regional guardianship subsidy screening committee.

1. The child is incarcerated for more than 30 days.
2. The child is out of the home for more than a 30-day period or is no longer living in the home.
3. The guardian fails to return the annual Recertification form or to complete the renewed Guardianship Subsidy Agreement within five working days of the renewal date.
4. There is a supported finding of child abuse or neglect against the guardian.

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R527. Human Services, Recovery Services.
R527-300. Income Withholding.
R527-300-1. Authority and Purpose.

1. Section 62A-11-107 requires that the Office of Recovery Services/Child Support Services (ORS/CSS) provide certain services and allows ORS/CSS to adopt, amend and enforce rules as needed to carry out its duties.

2. The purpose of this rule is to outline ORS/CSS procedures to determine when income withholding is appropriate, define the limits on income withholding, and specify how to contest and terminate income withholding actions.

R527-300-2. Income Withholding Definition and Criteria.

1. Income withholding is defined as withholding child support from an obligor's income. The payor of income forwards the amount withheld to ORS/CSS.

2. Income withholding may be initiated in a IV-D case, with concurrent notice to the obligor:

a. in a case which has an order issued prior to October 13, 1990, which has not been modified since October 13, 1990, even though the obligor is not delinquent as defined in Section 62A-11-401(6) or R527-300-3, if the obligor and the obligee have signed a subsequent agreement which the obligor has failed to meet; for example, while the order does not require payment by a specific date, there is a written agreement that payment will be made on the first day of each month, or

b. in a case which has an order issued or modified after October 13, 1990, which found a demonstration of good cause or entered a written agreement that immediate income withholding is not required, if the obligor and the obligee have signed a subsequent agreement which the obligor has failed to meet; for example, while the order does not require payment by a specific date, there is a written agreement that payment will be made on the first day of each month.

R527-300-3. Determining Delinquency.

1. If current support has been ordered but is not presently in effect; for example, the children are 18 years old, the children have been adopted, custody has changed, or the obligor is paying current support to the obligee; delinquency has occurred when the obligor has accrued a debt in an amount equal to or greater than the previously ordered current support for one month.

2. If there was not a previous current support order but there is a judgment for arrears, delinquency has occurred when the obligor fails to pay as agreed, provided the judgment was for at least one month's current support amount used to compute the judgment for arrears. If the judgment was by default and the judgment amount was for at least one month's current support amount used to compute the judgment, income withholding may begin immediately upon entry of the judgment.

3. A delinquency could be the result of an underpayment for several months that totals at least one month's current support.

4. A delinquency can occur prior to the end of the month if the obligor was ordered to pay on specific days of the month and failed to do so.

R527-300-4. Affidavit of Delinquency.

The Non-IV-A applicant prepares a month-by-month computation of the support debt, which is referred to as a statement of arrears. The statement of arrears is part of the application packet. As part of the statement of arrears, the applicant attests that the statement is true and accurate to the best knowledge and belief of the applicant. This signed statement shall satisfy the verified statement requirement of Section 62A-11-405.

R527-300-5. Administrative Review.

1. Section 62A-11-405(2)(b)(ii)(B) requires the obligor to file a written request for review with the office within 15 days to contest withholding. This written request for review shall state the obligor's basis for contesting the withholding.

2. If an administrative review is conducted pursuant to Section 62A-11-405(3), the notice of decision required may be mailed or delivered to the obligor in the ordinary course of business.

R527-300-6. Percentage of Income Subject To Withholding.

Section 62A-11-406 limits the total amount of the income withheld for child support to the maximum permitted under Section 303(b) of the Consumer Credit Protection Act as cited in 15 U.S.C. Section 1673(b). In general, income withholding will be limited to withholding 50% of the obligor's disposable income. However, if 50% does not result in withholding enough to cover the current support obligation, the office may review an obligor's circumstances under the provisions of the Consumer Credit Protection Act to determine whether a higher percentage is permitted.

R527-300-7. Modification of Withholding Amounts.

1. Once a Notice to Withhold Income for Child Support has been sent to the obligor's payor of income, any changes to the withholding amount will be made by sending the payor a modified Notice to Withhold Income for Child Support. The obligor will be provided concurrent notice of any changes.

2. If the obligor changes from one payor of income to another payor of income, a new Notice to Withhold Income for Child Support must be sent to the new payor in accordance with ORS/CSS assessment procedures.

R527-300-8. Income Withholding Termination.

1. Income withholding should be terminated if:

a. the obligor no longer has an obligation for current child support, and no longer has a debt to Utah or another state on whose behalf Utah is acting or to a Non-IV-A obligee on whose behalf Utah is acting;

b. the Non-IV-A obligee terminates the ORS/CSS case, income withholding was administratively implemented and the obligor no longer owes child support to Utah or other state on whose behalf Utah is acting, and the obligee does not want withholding to continue;

c. the obligor successfully contests the withholding which is currently in effect through the court or administrative review process. If income withholding was terminated based on a court or administrative order and the obligor later becomes delinquent, income withholding will be reinstated.

R527-300-9. Contesting an Income Withholding Order Issued by Another State.

The Obligor may contest the validity or enforcement of an income-withholding order issued by another state in this state by registering and filing a contest to that order in the appropriate Utah court.

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R527. Human Services, Recovery Services.
R527-302. Income Withholding Fees.
R527-302-1. Purpose and Authority.

1. The Office of Recovery Services is authorized to create rules necessary for the provision of social services by Section 62A-11-107.

2. This rule establishes procedures for a payor of income to withhold a one-time fee to offset administrative costs incurred when processing a withholding order pursuant to Rule 64D, Utah Rules of Civil Procedure, and Section 78A-2-216(1)(b).

R527-302-2. Income Withholding Fees.

1. When the Office of Recovery Services/Child Support Services (ORS/CSS) initiates income withholding against a payor of income for payment of an obligor's child support, the payor of income may deduct a one-time $25.00 fee to offset the administrative costs it incurs to process the withholding pursuant to Rule 64D, Utah Rules of Civil Procedure, and Subsection 78A-2-216(1)(b).

2. A payor of income may choose to deduct the entire $25.00 in the first month of withholding, or, pursuant to Subsection 62A-11-406(4), a payor may choose to deduct the $25.00 in monthly increments (for example, $5.00 per month for 5 months) until the full amount has been deducted, provided the total amount withheld does not exceed the maximum amount permitted under Subsection 303(b) of the Consumer Credit Protection Act, 15 U.S.C. 1673(b).

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R527. Human Services, Recovery Services.
R527-475. State Tax Refund Intercept.
R527-475-1. Purpose and Authority.

1. The Office of Recovery Services is authorized to create rules necessary for the provision of social services by Section 62A-11-107.

2. This rule establishes procedures for the Office of Recovery Services/Child Support Services (ORS/CSS) to intercept a state tax refund to recover delinquent child support pursuant to Section 59-10-529(1).

R527-475-2. State Tax Refund Intercept.

1. For a state tax refund to be intercepted, there must be an administrative or judicial judgment with a balance owing. An installment of child support is considered a judgment for purposes of Section 59-10-529 on and after the date it becomes due as provided in Section 78B-12-112.

2. State tax refunds intercepted will first be applied to current support, second to Non-IV-A arrearages, and third to satisfy obligations owed to the state and collected by ORS/CSS.

3. ORS/CSS shall mail prior written notice to the obligor who owes past-due support and the unobligated spouse that the state tax refund may be intercepted. The notice shall advise the unobligated spouse of his/her right to receive a portion of the tax refund if the unobligated spouse has earnings and files jointly with the obligor. If the unobligated spouse does not want his/her share of the tax refund to be applied to the obligated spouse's child support debt, the unobligated spouse shall make a written request and submit a copy of the tax return and W-2's to ORS/CSS at any time after prior notice, but in no case later than 25 days after the date ORS/CSS intercepts the tax refund. If W-2s are unavailable, ORS/CSS may use amounts of incomes as reported on the joint tax return. The unobligated spouse's portion of the joint tax refund will be prorated according to the percentage of income reported on the W-2 forms or the joint tax return for the tax year. If the unobligated spouse does not make a written request to ORS/CSS to obtain his share of the tax refund within the specified time limit, ORS/CSS shall not be required to pay any portion of the tax refund to the unobligated spouse.

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R590. Insurance, Administration.
R590-102. Insurance Department Fee Payment Rule.
R590-102-1. Authority.

This rule is adopted pursuant to Subsections 31A-3-103(4) and (5) which require the commissioner to publish the schedule of fees approved by the legislature and to establish deadlines for payment of each of the various fees.

R590-102-2. Purpose and Scope.

(1) The purposes of this rule are to:

(a) publish the schedule of fees approved by the legislature;

(b) establish fee deadlines; and

(c) disclose this information to licensees and the public.

(2) The rule applies to:

(a) all persons engaged in the business of insurance in Utah;

(b) all licensees;

(c) applicants for licenses, registrations, certificates, or other similar filings; and

(d) all persons requesting services provided by the department for which a fee is required.

R590-102-3. Definitions.

In addition to the definitions in Title 31A, the following definitions shall apply for the purposes of this rule:

(1) "Admitted insurers" include: fraternal, health, health maintenance organization, life, limited health plan, motor club, non-profit health service, property-casualty, title insurers, and a prescription drug plan.

(2) "Agency" means:

(a) a person, other than an individual, including a sole proprietorship by which a natural person does business under an assumed name; and

(b) an insurance organization required to be licensed under Subsections 31A-23a-301, 31A-25-207, and 31A-26-209.

(3) "Captive insurer" includes association captive, branch captive, industrial insured captive, pure captive, sponsored captive, and special purpose financial captive.

(4) "Deadline" means the final date or time:

(a) imposed by:

(i) statute;

(ii) rule; or

(iii) order, and

(b) by which

(i) a payment must be received by the department without incurring penalties for late payment or non-payment; or

(ii) required information must be received by the department without incurring penalties for late receipt or non-receipt.

(5) "Fee" means an amount set by the commissioner, by statute, or by rule and approved by the legislature for licenses, registrations, certificates, and other filings and services provided by the Insurance Department.

(6) "Full-line agency" includes producer, consultant, independent adjuster, managing general agent, public adjuster, reinsurance intermediary broker, and third party administrator.

(7) "Full-line individual" includes a producer, consultant, independent adjuster, managing general agent, public adjuster, reinsurance intermediary broker, and third party administrator.

(8) "Limited-line agency" includes bail bond and limited-line producer.

(9) "Limited-line individual" includes bail bond agent, limited-lines producer and customer service representative.

(10) "Other organizations" include: home warranty, joint underwriter, purchasing group, rate service organization, risk retention group, service contract provider, surplus line insurer, accredited reinsurer, trustee reinsurer, and health discount program.

(11) "Paper application" means an application that must be manually entered into the department's database because the application was submitted by paper, facsimile, or email when the department has provided an electronic application process and stated the electronic process is the preferred process for receiving an application.

(12) "Paper filing" means a filing that must be manually entered into the department's database because the filing was submitted by paper, facsimile, or email when the department has provided an electronic filing process and stated the electronic process is the preferred process for receiving a filing.

(13) "Received by the department" means:

(a) the date delivered to and stamped received by the department, if delivered in person;

(b) the postmark date, if delivered by mail;

(c) the delivery service's postmark date or pick-up date, if delivered by a delivery service; or

(d) the date transmitted, if delivered by facsimile, email or some other electronic method; or

(e) a date specified in:

(i) a statute;

(ii) a rule; or

(iii) an order.

R590-102-4. General Instructions.

(1) Any fee payable to the department not included in Subsections R590-102-5 through 18, shall be due when service is requested, if applicable, otherwise by the due date on the invoice.

(2) Payment.

(a) A non-electronic payment processing fee will be added to a payment when the department has provided an electronic payment process and stated the electronic process is the preferred process for receiving a payment.

(b) Check.

(i) Checks shall be made payable to the Utah Insurance Department.

(ii) A check that is dishonored in the process of the collection will not constitute payment of the fee for which it was issued and any action taken based on the payment will be voided.

(iii) Late fees and other penalties, resulting from the voided action will apply until proper payment is made.

(iv) A check payment that is dishonored is a violation of this rule.

(c) Cash. The department is not responsible for un-receipted cash that is lost or misdelivered.

(d) Electronic.

(i) Credit Card.

(A) Credit cards may be used to pay any fee due to the department.

(B) Credit card payments that are dishonored will not constitute payment of the fee and any action taken based on the payment will be voided.

(C) Late fees and other penalties, resulting from the voided action, will apply until proper payment is made.

(D) A credit card payment that is dishonored is a violation of this rule.

(ii) Automated clearinghouse (ACH).

(A) Payers or purchasers desiring to use this method must contact the department for the proper routing and transit information.

(B) Payments that are made in error to another agency or that are not deposited into the department's account will not constitute payment of the fee and any action taken based on the payment will be voided.

(C) Late fees and other penalties resulting from the voided action will apply until proper payment is made.

(D) An ACH payment that is dishonored is a violation of this rule.

(3) Retaliation. The fees enumerated in this rule are not subject to retaliation in accordance with Section 31A-3-401 if other states or countries impose higher fees.

(4) Refunds.

(a) All fees in this rule are non-refundable.

(b) Overpayments of fees are refundable.

(c) Requests for return of overpayments must be in writing.

(5) A non-electronic processing fee will be assessed for a particular service if the department has established an electronic process for that service. See R590-102-15.

R590-102-5. Admitted Insurer Fees.

(1) Annual license fees:

(a) certificate of authority, initial license application - due with license application: $1,002;

(b) certificate of authority - renewal - due by the due date on the invoice: $302;

(c) certificate of authority - late renewal - due for any renewal paid after the date on the invoice: $352;

(d) certificate of authority - reinstatement - due with application for reinstatement: $1,002.

(2) Other license fees:

(a) certificate of authority - amendments - due with request for amendment: $252;

(b)(i) Form A - application for merger, acquisition, or change of control, due with filing: $2,002.

(ii) Expenses incurred for consultant(s) services necessary to evaluate a Form A will be charged to the applicant and due by the due date on the invoice;

(c) redomestication filing - due with filing: $2,002; and

(d) application for organizational permit for mutual insurer to solicit applications for qualifying insurance policies or subscriptions for mutual bonds or contribution notes - due with application: $1,002.

(3) The annual initial or annual renewal license fee includes the following licensing services for which no additional fee is required:

(a) filing annual statement and report of Utah business - due annually on March 1;

(b) filing holding company registration statement - Form B;

(c) filing application for material transactions between affiliated companies - Form D;

(d) application for: stock solicitation permit, public offering filing, but not an SEC filing; an SEC filing; private placement offering; and

(e) application for individual license to solicit in accordance with the stock solicitation permit.

(4) Annual service fee:

(a) Due annually by the due date on the invoice.

(b) The fee is based on the Utah premium as shown in the latest annual statement on file with the National Association of Insurance Commissioners (NAIC) and the department. Fee calculation example: the 2004 annual service fee calculation will use the Utah premium shown in the December 31, 2003 annual statement.

(c) Fee schedule:

(i) $0 premium volume: no service fee;

(ii) more than $zero but less than $1 million in premium volume: $700;

(iii) $1 million but less than $3 million in premium volume: $1,100;

(iv) $3 million but less than $6 million in premium volume: $1,550;

(v) $6 million but less than $11 million in premium volume: $2,100;

(vi) $11 million but less than $15 million in premium volume: $2,750;

(vii) $15 million but less than $20 million in premium volume: $3,500; and

(viii) $20 million or more in premium volume: $4,350.

(d) The annual service fee includes the following services for which no additional fee is required:

(i) filing of amendments to articles of incorporation, charter, or bylaws;

(ii) filing of power of attorney;

(iii) filing of registered agent;

(iv) affixing commissioner's seal and certifying any paper;

(v) filing of authorization to appoint and remove agents;

(vi) filing of producer/agency appointment with an insurer - initial;

(vii) filing of producer/agency appointment with an insurer - termination;

(viii) report filing, all lines of insurance;

(ix) rate filing, all lines of insurance; and

(x) form filing, all lines of insurance.

(c) The annual service fee is for services that the department will provide for an admitted insurer during the year. The fee is paid in advance of providing the services.

(d) Other fees:

(i) E-commerce fee: (see R590-102-17).

(ii) Insurer examination costs reimbursements from examined insurers - due by due date on the invoice: actual costs plus overhead expense.

R590-102-6. Other Organization, Surplus Lines Insurer, Accredited Reinsurer, Trusteed Reinsurer Fees.

(1) Annual license fee:

(a) other organization:

(i) initial - due with application: $252;

(ii) renewal - due annually by the due date on the invoice: $202;

(iii) late renewal - due for any renewal paid after the date on the invoice: $252;

(iv) reinstatement - due with application for reinstatement: $252;

(v) The annual other organizations initial or renewal fee includes the risk retention group annual statement filing - due annually on May 1.

(b) surplus line insurer, accredited reinsurer, and trusteed reinsurer:

(i) initial - due with application $1,002.

(ii) renewal - due annually by the due date on the invoice: $302;

(iii) late renewal - due for any renewal paid after the date on the invoice: $352;

(iv) reinstatement - due with application for reinstatement: $1,002;

(v) The annual initial or renewal surplus line license fee includes the surplus lines annual statement filing for:

(A) U.S. companies - due annually on May 1; and

(B) foreign companies - due within 60 days of the annual statement's filing with the insurance regulatory authority where the company is domiciled.

(vi) The annual initial or renewal accredited reinsurer and trusteed reinsurer license fee includes the annual statement filing - due annually on March 1.

(2) Annual service fee:

(a) Other organization - due annually by the due date on the invoice: $200.

(b) Surplus lines insurer, accredited reinsurer, and trusteed reinsurer - due annually by the due date on the invoice: $200

(c) The annual service fee includes the following services for which no additional fee is required:

(i) filing of power of attorney;

(ii) filing of registered agent; and

(iii) rate, form, report or service contract filing.

(d) The annual service fee is for services that the department will provide during the year. The fee is paid in advance of providing the services.

(e) Other fees: E-commerce fee: see R590-102-17.

R590-102-7. Captive Insurer Fees.

(1) Initial license application - due with license application: $202.

(2) Initial license application review - due by the due date on the invoice: actual costs incurred by the department to review the application.

(3) Annual license fees:

(a) initial - due by the due date on the invoice: $5,002;

(b) renewal - due by the due date on the invoice: $5,002;

(c) late renewal - due for any renewal paid after the date on the invoice: $5,052;

(d) reinstatement - due with application for reinstatement: $5,052.

(4) Other fees:

(a) e-commerce fee: see R590-102-17.

(b) Examination costs reimbursements from examined captive insurers - due by due date on the invoice: actual costs plus overhead expense.

R590-102-8. Viatical Settlement Provider Fees.

(1) Annual license fees:

(a) initial - due with application: $1,002;

(b) renewal - due by the due date on the invoice: $302;

(c) late renewal - due for any renewal paid after the date on the invoice: $352;

(d) reinstatement - due with reinstatement application: $1,002.

(2) Annual service fee - due by the due date on the invoice: $600.

(a) The annual service fee includes the following service for which no additional fee is required: rate, form, report or service contract filing.

(b) The annual service fee is for services that the department will provide during the year. The fee is paid in advance of providing the services.

(3) Other fees:

(a) e-commerce fee: see R590-102-17.

(b) Examination costs reimbursements from examined viatical settlement providers - due by due date on the invoice: actual costs plus overhead expense.

R590-102-9. Professional Employer Organization (PEO) Fees.

(1) Annual license fees:

(a) PEO - not certified by an assurance organization:

(i) initial - due with application: $2,000;

(ii) renewal - due by the due date on the invoice: $2,000;

(iii) late renewal - due for any renewal paid after the date on the invoice: $2,050;

(iv) reinstatement - due with reinstatement application: $2,050;

(b) PEO - certified by an assurance organization:

(i) initial - due with application: $2,000;

(ii) renewal - due by the due date on the invoice: $1,000;

(iii) late renewal - due for any renewal paid after the date on the invoice: $1,050;

(iv) reinstatement - due with reinstatement application: $1,050;

(c) PEO - small operator:

(i) initial - due with application: $2,000;

(ii) renewal - due by the due date on the invoice: $1,000;

(iii) late renewal - due for any renewal paid after the date on the invoice: $1,050;

(iv) reinstatement - due with reinstatement application: $1,050.

(5) E-commerce fee: see R590-102-17.

R590-102-10. Individual Resident and Non-Resident License Fees.

(1) Biennial resident and non-resident full-line individual initial license or renewal fee:

(a) initial license fee - due with application: $72:

(b) renewal license fee if renewed prior to renewal deadline - due with renewal application: $72;

(c) renewal license fee if renewed 1 through 30 days after renewal deadline and prior to license lapse - due with renewal application: $122;

(d) lapsed license reinstatement fee if reinstated 31 days through 365 days after renewal deadline - due with application for reinstatement: $122.

(2) Biennial resident and non-resident limited-line individual initial or renewal license fee:

(a) initial license fee - due with application: $47;

(b) renewal license fee if renewed prior to renewal deadline - due with renewal application: $47;

(c) renewal license fee if renewed 1 through 30 days after renewal deadline and prior to license lapse - due with renewal application: $97;

(d) lapsed license reinstatement fee if reinstated 31 days through 365 days after renewal deadline - due with application for reinstatement: $97.

(3) Other license fees: addition of producer classification or line of authority to individual producer license - due with request for additional classification or line of authority: $27.

(4) The biennial initial and renewal full-line producer and limited-line producer fee includes the following services for which no additional fee is required:

(a) issuance of letter of certification;

(b) issuance of letter of clearance;

(c) issuance of duplicate license;

(d) individual continuing education services.

(5) The biennial initial and renewal individual license fee includes services the department will provide during the year. The fee is paid in advance of providing the services.

(6) Other fees:

(a) e-commerce fee: see R590-102-17.

(b) title insurance product or service approval for dual licensed title licensee form filing fee - due with filing: $25.

R590-102-11. Agency License Fees, Other than Bail Bond Agencies.

(1) Biennial resident and non-resident agency initial or renewal license for a full-line agency and for a limited-line agency:

(a) initial license fee - due with application: $77;

(b) renewal license fee if renewed prior to renewal deadline - due with renewal application: $77;

(c) renewal license fee if renewed 1 through 30 days after renewal deadline and prior to license lapse - due with renewal application: $127;

(d) lapsed license reinstatement fee if reinstated 31 days through 365 days after renewal deadline - due with application for reinstatement: $127.

(2) Other license fees: addition of producer classification or line of authority to agency license - due with request for additional classification or line of authority: $27.

(3) The biennial initial and renewal agency license fee includes the following services for which no additional fee is required:

(a) issuance of letter of certification;

(b) issuance of letter of clearance;

(c) issuance of duplicate license;

(d) filing of producer designation to agency license -

initial;

(e) filing of producer designation to agency license - termination;

(f) filing of amendment to agency license; and

(g) filing of power of attorney.

(4) Other fees:

(a) e-commerce fee: see R590-102-17;

(b) title agency filing fee for rate, form, or report - due with filing: $25.

R590-102-12. Bail Bond Agency.

(1) Annual bail bond agency per annual license period:

(a) initial license fee - due with application: $252;

(b) renewal license fee if renewed prior to renewal deadline - due with renewal application: $252;

(c) renewal license fee if renewed 1 through 30 days after renewal deadline and prior to license lapse - due with renewal application: $302; and

(d) lapsed license reinstatement fee if reinstated 31 days after renewal deadline - due with application for reinstatement: $302.

(2) The annual initial and renewal agency license fee includes the following services for which no additional fee is required:

(a) issuance of letter of certification;

(b) issuance of letter of clearance;

(c) issuance of duplicate license;

(d) filing of producer designation to agency license - initial;

(e) filing of producer designation to agency license - termination;

(f) filing of amendment to agency license; and

(g) filing of power of attorney.

(3) Other fees: E-commerce fee: see R590-102-17.

R590-102-13. Health Insurance Purchasing Alliance.

(1) Annual health insurance purchasing alliance annual license:

(a) initial license fee - due with application: $502;

(b) renewal license fee if renewed prior to renewal deadline - due with renewal application: $502;

(c) renewal license fee if renewed 1 through 30 days after renewal deadline and prior to license lapse - due with renewal application: $552; and

(d) lapsed license reinstatement fee if reinstated 31 days after renewal deadline - due with application for reinstatement: $552.

(2) E-commerce fee: see R590-102-17.

R590-102-14. Continuing Education Fees.

(1) Annual continuing education provider license fees per annual license period:

(a) initial license fee - due with application: $252;

(b) renewal license fee if renewed prior to renewal deadline - due with renewal application: $252;

(c) late renewal license fee if renewed 1 through 60-days after renewal deadline and prior to license lapse - due with renewal application: $302; and

(d) Lapsed license reinstatement fee if reinstated 61 days after renewal deadline - due with application for reinstatement: $302.

(2) Continuing education course post-approval fee - due with request for approval: $5 per credit hour, minimum fee $27.

R590-102-15. Non-electronic Processing or Payment Fees.

(1) Non-electronic filing processing fee - assessed on a non-electronic filing when the department has provided an electronic filing process and stated the electronic process is the preferred process for receiving a filing - due with each paper non-electronic filing or by the due date on the invoice: $5.

(2) Non-electronic application processing fee - assessed on a non-electronic application when the department has provided an electronic application process and stated the electronic process is the preferred process for receiving an application - due with each paper non-electronic application or by the due date on the invoice: $25.

(3) Non-electronic payment processing fee - assessed on a non-electronic payment when the department has provided an electronic payment process and stated the electronic process is the preferred process for receiving a payment - due with each non-electronic payment or by the due date on the invoice: $25.

R590-102-16. Dedicated Fees.

The following are fees dedicated to specific uses:

(1) annual fraud assessment fee as calculated under Section 31A-31-108 and stated in the invoice - due by the due date on the invoice;

(2) annual title assessment fee as calculated under Section 31A-23a-415 and stated in the invoice - due by the due date on the invoice;

(3) relative value study book fee - due when book purchased or by invoice due date: $12;

(4) mailing fee for books - due if book is to be mailed to purchaser: $3;

(5) fingerprint fee - due with application for individual license:

(a) Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI): $15.00; and

(b) Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI): $19.25; and

(6) annual assessment for the Title Recovery, Education, and Research Fund fee:

(a) individual title licensee applicant for initial license or renewal license - due with the initial application or the renewal application: $15.00;

(b) agency title licensee applicant - due with the initial application: $1,000.

(c) annual agency title licensee assessment based on annual written title insurance premium - due by the due date on the invoice:

(i) Band A: $0 to $1 million: $125.00;

(ii) Band B: more than $1 million to $10 million: $250.00;

(iii) Band C: more than $10 million to $20 million: $375.00;

(iv) Band D: more than $20 million: $500.00.

R590-102-17. Electronic Commerce Dedicated Fees.

(1) E-commerce and internet technology services fee:

(a) admitted insurer and surplus lines insurer - due with the annual initial, annual renewal, or reinstatement application: $75;

(b) captive insurer - due with the annual initial, annual renewal, or reinstatement application: $250;

(c) other organization, professional employer organization, and viatical settlement provider - due with the annual initial, annual renewal, or reinstatement application: $50;

(d) continuing education provider - due with the annual initial, annual renewal, or reinstatement application: $20;

(e) agency - due with the biennial initial, biennial renewal, or reinstatement application: $10;

(f) health insurance purchasing alliance - due with the annual initial, annual renewal, or reinstatement application: $10; and

(g) individual - due with the biennial initial, biennial renewal, or reinstatement application: $5.

(2) Database access fees:

(a) information accessed through an electronic portal set up for that purpose - due when the department's database is accessed to input or acquire data: $3 per transaction;

(b) rate and form filing database access to an electronic

public rate and form filing:

(i) a separate fee is assessed per line of insurance accessed (accident and health, life and annuity, or property-casualty);

(ii) each line of insurance accessed is charged the following fees:

(A) a base fee, which entitles the user up to 30 minutes of access, the assistance of staff during that time, and one DVD - $45.00;

(B) each additional 30 minutes of access time or fraction thereof, including the assistance of staff during that time - $45;

(iii) additional DVD - $2.00;

(iv) payment due at time of service or by the due date on the invoice.

R590-102-18. Other Fees.

(1) photocopy fee - per page: $.50.

(2) Complete annual statement copy fee - per statement: $42.

(3) Fee for accepting service of legal process: $12.

(4) Fees for production of information lists regarding licensees or other information that can be produced by list:

(a) printed list: $1 per page;

(b) electronic list:

(i) 1 to 500 records: $52; and

(ii) 501 or more records: $.11 per record.

(5) Returned check fee: $20.

(6) Workers compensation loss cost multiplier schedule: $5.

(7) Address correction fee -- assessed when department has to research and enter new address for a licensee -- due by the due date on the invoice: $35.

R590-102-19. Severability.

If any provision of this rule or its application to any person or circumstance is for any reason held to be invalid, the remainder of the rule and the application of this provision to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected.

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R590. Insurance, Administration.
R590-121. Rate Modification Plan Rule.
R590-121-1. Purpose.

The purpose of this rule is to establish criteria for the modification of manual rates through the application of insurer rate modification plans and to the reporting of pertinent information concerning the utilization of such plans, in order to determine whether rates developed thereunder meet the standards of the rating law. Such information may also be utilized to assist in monitoring competition in accordance with Section 31A-19a-201.

R590-121-2. Authority.

This rule is promulgated by the insurance commissioner pursuant to the authority provided under Subsections 31A-2-201(3) and (4), General Duties and Powers; Section 31A-2-203, Examinations; Section 31A-2-204, Conduct of Examinations; Section 31A-2-205, Examination Expenses; Sections 31A-19a-201, 31A-19a-202 and 31A-19a-203, Rate Standards; and Section 31A-23a-402, Unfair Marketing Practices.

R590-121-3. Scope.

1. This rule applies to every authorized property and casualty insurer and every rate service organization required to file rates and supplementary information under Section 31A-19a-203.

2. This rule applies to those classes of insurance, monoline or packaged, commonly known as commercial vehicle, commercial general liability and commercial property, workers' compensation and employers' liability insurance. It does not apply to professional liability insurance, inland marine risks which, by general custom, are not written according to manual rules or rating plans, and consent-to-rate risks submitted under Subsection 31A-19a-203(6).

R590-121-4. Definitions.

For the purpose of this rule, the commissioner adopts the definitions as particularly set forth in Sections 31A-1-301 and 31A-19a-102, and in addition thereto the following:

1. "Experience rating plan" means any rating plan or system whereby a manual rate for insurance is adjusted or modified based on the past loss experience of the insured.

2. "Manual rate" means a rate, designed to apply on a generic basis to similar risks within the same market, filed with the department by an insurer or rate service organization and made part of the rating manual used by an insurer or rate service organization.

3. "Rate modification plan" means a rating plan or procedure which provides a listing of various risk characteristics or conditions and a range of modification factors which may be applied for those characteristics or conditions to the manual rate of a particular insurance risk. The effect of the modification factor is to increase (debit) or decrease (credit) the manual rate. Rate modification plans include plans commonly called Schedule Rating Plans and Individual Risk Premium Modification Plans.

R590-121-5. Rule.

1. Rate modification plans.

Rate modification plans, justified according to the standards herein, are allowed by the insurance code. The commissioner has determined that the use of unjustified rate modification plans is not reasonable, is not objective, and is unfairly discriminatory. The use of unjustified rate modifications plans in the rating of commercial property and casualty insurance risks located in Utah is prohibited. Pursuant to Subsection 31A-2-201(4), the commissioner may order the disapproval of any rate modification plan that does not establish reasonable standards for measuring probable variations in hazards, expenses, or both, as required by Subsection 31A-19a-202(3). Any insurer subject to such an order may request a hearing pursuant to Subsection 63G-4-203 within 30 days of the date of the order. The following elements shall be considered in determining whether or not a rate modification plan is justified:

a. rate modification plans must limit their application to maximum debits or credits of 25%. Modifications generated by loss experience or company expense experience are not subject to this limitation;

b. rate modification plans must be based only on rating characteristics not already reflected in the manual rates. The plans must clearly indicate the objective criteria to be used;

c. any rate modification plan designed to be applied simultaneously to property, liability, or vehicle coverage shall contain reasonable factors that give appropriate recognition to the distinct exposures involved in such coverages;

d. rate modification plans must provide that when a risk is rated above the manual rate (debited), an insured, applicant, or their agent or broker, upon request, will be advised by the insurer of the factors which resulted in the adverse rating so that the insured or applicant will be fairly apprized of any corrective action that might be appropriate with respect to the insurance risk;

e. An insurer's filing of changes or revisions to rate modification plans it previously filed may not result in the elimination of a debit or credit established under the prior plan for a risk currently insured by the insurer. Changes in established debits or credits for risks currently insured must be based on a change in the risk and not on a change in the provisions of a rate modification plan.

f. All initial and succeeding filing of rate modification plans must be submitted according to established filing procedures and must include a complete copy of the plan, even if only minor changes are being made. To facilitate the commissioner's analysis of the rate modification plan, the filing must also include a letter or filing memorandum from the insurer which provides: (1) a comparison of the proposed changes to any existing plan as currently filed; (2) reasons and justification for the proposed changes; and (3) a statement of the estimated number of Utah insureds affected by the changes and the estimated Utah premium dollar impact of the changes.

2. Application of rate modification plans.

The following elements shall be considered in determining whether or not the application of a rate modification plan is justified. The commissioner considers the misclassification of a risk to be a modification without justification:

a. rate modification plans must be used to acknowledge variance in risk characteristics and not merely to gain competitive advantage or for any other purpose;

b. once a company has filed a rate modification plan, its use is mandatory. The plan must be applied uniformly in a non-discriminatory manner for all eligible classes of risk even if the application of the plan results in a zero modification or no change in a previous modification applied;

c. once a rate modification plan has been applied to a risk and a credit or debit established, no changes in the established credit or debit can be made without appropriate justification and documentation;

d. individual underwriting files must contain the specific criteria and document the particular circumstances of the risk that support each debit or credit. This documentation must be present in the file to enable the commissioner to verify compliance with this rule. Documentation may include, but is not limited to, inspection reports, photographs, agent observations and findings, insured's formal safety plans, premises evaluations, and narrative reports covering other aspects of the risk;

e. Individual underwriting files must also contain

documentation of the underwriter's evaluation of the risk under the rate modification plan. This shall consist of a worksheet which describes in some fashion the risk characteristics of the filed plan and the range of credits or debits allowed for each risk characteristic. The completed worksheet shall contain the credits, debits, or both assigned to the risk characteristics by the underwriter and the sum of the credits and debits assigned. A narrative description of the underwriter's evaluation process shall be included in the worksheet. The worksheet shall list the date of the initial and any subsequent evaluation and the signature of the person(s) making the evaluation(s). A previous worksheet may be used where no change in the risk characteristics are indicated as long as a current date and signature are entered onto the worksheet.

3. Experience rating plans.

Experience rating plans shall be calculated from at least the last three years' premium and loss data. Premium and loss figures used in the calculation must be verifiable or justifiable.

4. Reporting of pertinent information.

On the request of the commissioner, an insurer authorized to write any insurance in this state to which this rule applies shall submit data to the commissioner establishing the relationship of the aggregate premiums actually charged policyholders by the insurer for each line of commercial insurance to the aggregate premium that would have been produced by the insurer's filed unmodified rates for that line of commercial insurance. A rate service organization may file the data on behalf of the insurer.

5. Rate compliance examinations.

To determine compliance with this rule the commissioner may order a rate compliance examination be made of any insurer to which this rule applies. Any examination permitted under this rule shall be conducted pursuant to Sections 31A-2-203 and 31A-2-204. All examinations and examination-related expenses shall be paid by the insurer, as provided by Section 31A-2-205.

R590-121-6. Penalties.

Any insurer that fails to comply with the provisions of this rule shall be subject to the forfeiture provisions of Section 31A-2-308.

R590-121-7. Separability.

If any provision of this rule or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is for any reason held to be invalid, the remainder of the rule and the application of such provision shall not be affected thereby.

R590-121-8. Dissemination.

Each insurer or rate service organization is instructed to distribute a copy of this rule to all personnel engaged in activities requiring knowledge of this rule, and to instruct them as to its scope and operation.

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	31A-19a-202
	31A-19a-203
	31A-23-302

R590. Insurance, Administration.
R590-151. Records Access Rule.
R590-151-1. Authority.

This rule is adopted pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 2, Title 63G, the Government Records Access and Management Act (GRAMA), specifically Subsections 63G-2-204(2), and 63A-12-104(2).

R590-151-2. Purposes.

The purposes of this rule are to define how record requests are to be made to the Insurance Department, to designate the person who shall fulfill various functions pursuant to the requirements of GRAMA, and to define how an individual may contest the accuracy and completeness of records concerning that individual which are maintained by the department.

R590-151-3. Rule.

A. Making a Request for Access to Records.

(1) All record requests made under the provisions of GRAMA shall be made in writing and shall comply with the requirements of Subsection 63G-2-204(1), and shall be directed to the Records Officer, Utah Department of Insurance, State Office Building, Room 3110, Salt Lake City, Utah, 84114.

(2) The department's response may be delayed if a submitted request does not comply with the requirements of Subsection (1).

(3) The department may, at its discretion, waive the requirement for a written request if the records requested are public and readily accessible, or for other good cause shown.

B. Appeals From Initial Decisions.

All appeals from an initial decision by the department, which denies access to a record, shall be addressed to the insurance commissioner and shall conform to the requirements of Section 63G-2-401. The authority to order disclosure or nondisclosure is delegated to the head of the division which maintains the record or to any other person the commissioner may designate from time to time.

C. Contesting Accuracy or Completeness of a Record.

(1) Any request pursuant to Subsection 63G-2-603(2) shall be directed to the records officer.

(2) Consideration of the request shall be conducted as an informal adjudicative proceeding unless converted to a formal adjudicative proceeding by the presiding officer.

(3) A request to amend findings of fact in any administrative proceeding where the time for appeal has expired shall be denied. These types of records shall be maintained in their original form to protect the public interest and the integrity of the Administrative Records. Section 63G-2-603, may not apply.

R590-151-5. Severability.

If any provision or clause of this rule or the application of it to any person is for any reason held to be invalid, the remainder of the rule and the application of any provisions to other persons or circumstances may not be affected.

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R590. Insurance, Administration.
R590-167. Individual, Small Employer, and Group Health Benefit Plan Rule.
R590-167-1. Authority, Purpose and Scope.

(1) Authority.

This rule is intended to implement the provisions of Chapter 30, Title 31A, the Individual and Small Employer Health Insurance Act, referred to in this rule as the Act. The commissioner's authority to enforce this rule is provided under Subsections 31A-2-201(3)(a) and 31A-30-106(1)(k).

(2) Purpose.

(a) The general purposes of the Act and this rule are:

(i) to enhance the availability of health insurance coverage to individuals and small employers;

(ii) to regulate and prevent abuse in insurer rating practices and establish limits on differences in rates between health benefit plans;

(iii) to ensure renewability of coverage;

(iv) to establish limitations on the use of preexisting condition exclusions;

(v) to provide for portability; and

(vi) to improve the overall fairness and efficiency of the individual and small employer health insurance market.

(b) The Act and this rule are intended to:

(i) promote broader spreading of risk in the individual and small employer marketplace; and

(ii) regulate rating practices for all health benefit plans sold to individuals and small employers, whether sold directly or through associations or other groupings of individuals and small employers.

(3) Scope.

Carriers that provide health benefit plans to individuals and small employers are intended to be subject to all of the provisions of this rule.

R590-167-2. Definitions.

In addition to the definitions in Sections 31A-1-301 and 31A-30-103, the following definitions shall apply for the purposes of this rule:

(1) "Associate member of an employee organization" means any individual who participates in an employee benefit plan, as defined in 29 U.S.C. Section 1002(1), that is a multi-employer plan, as defined in 29 U.S.C. Section 1002(37A), other than the following:

(a) an individual, or the beneficiary of such individual, who is employed by a participating employer within a bargaining unit covered by at least one of the collective bargaining agreements under or pursuant to which the employee benefit plan is established or maintained; or

(b) an individual who is a present or former employee, or a beneficiary of such employee, of the sponsoring employee organization, of an employer who is or was a party to at least one of the collective bargaining agreements under or pursuant to which the employee benefit plan is established or maintained, or of the employee benefit plan, or of a related plan.

(2) "Change in a Rating Factor" means the cumulative change with respect to such factor considered over a 12 month period. If a covered carrier changes rating factors with respect to more than one case characteristic in a 12 month period, the carrier shall consider the cumulative effect of all such changes in applying the 10% test.

(3) "Change in Rating Method" means:

(a) a change in the number of case characteristics used by a covered carrier to determine premium rates for health benefit plans in a class of business;

(b) a change in the manner or procedures by which insureds are assigned into categories for the purpose of applying a case characteristic to determine premium rates for health benefit plans in a class of business;

(c) a change in the method of allocating expenses among health benefit plans in a class of business; or

(d) a change in a rating factor with respect to any case characteristic if the change would produce a change in premium for any individual or small employer that exceeds 10%.

(4) "New entrant" means an eligible employee, or the dependent of an eligible employee, who becomes part of an employer group after the initial period for enrollment in a health benefit plan.

(5) "Risk characteristic" means the health status, claims experience, duration of coverage, or any similar characteristic related to the health status or experience of an individual, a small employer or of any member of a small employer.

(6) "Risk load" means the percentage above the applicable base premium rate that is charged by a covered carrier to a covered insured to reflect the risk characteristics of the covered individuals.

R590-167-3. Applicability and Scope.

(1) This rule shall apply to any health benefit plan which:

(a) meets one or more of the conditions set forth in Subsections 31A-30-104(1) and (2);

(b) provides coverage to a covered insured located in this state, without regard to whether the policy or certificate was issued in this state; and

(c) is in effect on or after the effective date of this rule.

(2)(a) If a small employer has employees in more than one state, the provisions of the Act and this rule shall apply to a health benefit plan issued to the small employer if:

(i) the majority of eligible employees of such small employer are employed in this state; or

(ii) if no state contains a majority of the eligible employees of the small employer, the primary business location of the small employer is in this state.

(b) In determining whether the laws of this state or another state apply to a health benefit plan issued to a small employer described in Subsection R590-167-3(2)(a), the provisions of the subsection shall be applied as of the date the health benefit plan was issued to the small employer for the period that the health benefit plan remains in effect.

(c) If a health benefit plan is subject to the Act and this rule, the provisions of the Act and this rule shall apply to all individuals covered under the health benefit plan, whether they reside in this state or in another state.

(3) A carrier that is not operating as a covered carrier in this state may not become subject to the provisions of the Act and this rule solely because an individual or a small employer that was issued a health benefit plan in another state by that carrier moves to this state.

R590-167-4. Establishment of Classes of Business.

(1) A covered carrier that establishes more than one class of business pursuant to the provisions of Section 31A-30-105 shall maintain on file for inspection by the commissioner the following information with respect to each class of business so established:

(a) a description of each criterion employed by the carrier, or any of its agents, for determining membership in the class of business;

(b) a statement describing the justification for establishing the class as a separate class of business and documentation that the establishment of the class of business is intended to reflect substantial differences in expected claims experience or administrative costs related to the reasons set forth in Section 31A-30-105; and

(c) a statement disclosing which, if any, health benefit plans are currently available for purchase in the class and any significant limitations related to the purchase of such plans.

(2) A carrier may not directly or indirectly use group size

as a criterion for establishing eligibility for a class of business.

R590-167-5. Transition for Assumptions of Business from Another Carrier.

(1)(a) A covered carrier may not transfer or assume the entire insurance obligation, risk, or both of a health benefit plan covering an individual or a small employer in this state unless:

(i) the transaction has been approved by the commissioner of the state of domicile of the assuming carrier;

(ii) the transaction has been approved by the commissioner of the state of domicile of the ceding carrier; and

(iii) the transaction otherwise meets the requirements of this section.

(b) A carrier domiciled in this state that proposes to assume or cede the entire insurance obligation , risk, or both of one or more health benefit plans covering covered individuals from or to another carrier shall make a filing for approval with the commissioner at least 60 days prior to the date of the proposed assumption. The commissioner may approve the transaction, if the commissioner finds that the transaction is in the best interests of the individuals insured under the health benefit plans to be transferred and is consistent with the purposes of the Act and this rule. The commissioner may not approve the transaction until at least 30 days after the date of the filing; except that, if the carrier is in hazardous financial condition, the commissioner may approve the transaction as soon as the commissioner deems reasonable after the filing.

(c)(i) The filing required under Subsection R590-167-5(1)(b) shall:

(A) describe the class of business, including any eligibility requirements, of the ceding carrier from which the health benefit plans will be ceded;

(B) describe whether the assuming carrier will maintain the assumed health benefit plans as a separate class of business, pursuant to Subsection R590-167-5(3), or will incorporate them into an existing class of business, pursuant to Subsection R590-167-5(4). If the assumed health benefit plans will be incorporated into an existing class of business, the filing shall describe the class of business of the assuming carrier into which the health benefit plans will be incorporated;

(C) describe whether the health benefit plans being assumed are currently available for purchase by individuals or small employers;

(D) describe the potential effect of the assumption, if any, on the benefits provided by the health benefit plans to be assumed;

(E) describe the potential effect of the assumption, if any, on the premiums for the health benefit plans to be assumed;

(F) describe any other potential material effects of the assumption on the coverage provided to the individuals and small employers covered by the health benefit plans to be assumed; and

(G) include any other information required by the commissioner.

(ii) A covered carrier required to make a filing under Subsection R590-167-5(1)(b) shall also make an informational filing with the commissioner of each state in which there are individual or small employer health benefit plans that would be included in the transaction. The informational filing to each state shall be made concurrently with the filing made under Subsection R590-167-5(1)(b) and shall include at least the information specified in Subsection R590-167-5(1)(b)(ii) for the individual or small employer health benefit plans in that state.

(d) A covered carrier may not transfer or assume the entire insurance obligation and/or risk of a health benefit plan covering an individual or a small employer in this state unless it complies with the following provisions:

(i) The carrier has provided notice to the commissioner at least 60 days prior to the date of the proposed assumption. The notice shall contain the information specified in Subsection R590-167-5(1)(c) for the health benefit plans covering individuals and small employers in this state.

(ii) If the assumption of a class of business would result in the assuming covered carrier being out of compliance with the limitations related to premium rates contained in Section 31A-30-106, the assuming carrier shall make a filing with the commissioner pursuant to Subsection 31A-30-105(3) seeking an extended transition period.

(iii) An assuming carrier seeking an extended transition period may not complete the assumption of health benefit plans covering individuals or small employers in this state unless the commissioner grants the extended transition period requested pursuant to Subsection R590-167-5(1)(d)(ii).

(iv) Unless a different period is approved by the commissioner, an extended transition period shall, with respect to an assumed class of business, be for no more than 15 months and, with respect to each individual small employer, shall last only until the anniversary date of such employer's coverage, except that the period with respect to an individual small employer may be extended beyond its first anniversary date for a period of up to 12 months if the anniversary date occurs within three months of the date of assumption of the class of business.

(2)(a) Except as provided in Subsection R590-167-5(2)(b), a covered carrier may not cede or assume the entire insurance obligation, risk, or both for an individual or small employer health benefit plan unless the transaction includes the ceding to the assuming carrier of the entire class of business which includes such health benefit plan.

(b) A covered carrier may cede less than an entire class of business to an assuming carrier if:

(i) one or more individuals or small employers in the class have exercised their right under contract or state law to reject, either directly or by implication, the ceding of their health benefit plans to another carrier. In that instance, the transaction shall include each health benefit plan in the class of business except those health benefit plans for which an individual or a small employer has rejected the proposed cession; or

(ii) after a written request from the transferring carrier, the commissioner determines that the transfer of less than the entire class of business is in the best interests of the individual or small employers insured in that class of business.

(3) Except as provided in Subsection R590-167-5(4), a covered carrier that assumes one or more health benefit plans from another carrier shall maintain such health benefit plans as a separate class of business.

(4) A covered carrier that assumes one or more health benefit plans from another carrier may exceed the limitation contained in Section 31A-30-105 relating to the maximum number of classes of business a carrier may establish, due solely to such assumption for a period of up to 15 months after the date of the assumption, provided that the carrier complies with the following provisions:

(a) Upon assumption of the health benefit plans, such health benefit plans shall be maintained as a separate class of business. During the 15-month period following the assumption, each of the assumed individual or small employer health benefit plans shall be transferred by the assuming covered carrier into a single class of business operated by the assuming covered carrier. The assuming covered carrier shall select the class of business into which the assumed health benefit plans will be transferred in a manner such that the transfer results in the least possible change to the benefits and rating method of the assumed health benefit plans.

(b) The transfers authorized in Subsection R590-167-5(4)(a) shall occur with respect to each individual or small employer on the anniversary date of the individual's or small employer's coverage, except that the period with respect to an

individual small employer may be extended beyond its first anniversary date for a period of up to 12 months if the anniversary date occurs within three months of the date of assumption of the class of business.

(c) A covered carrier making a transfer pursuant to Subsection R590-167-5(4)(a) may alter the benefits of the assumed health benefit plans to conform to the benefits currently offered by the carrier in the class of business into which the health benefit plans have been transferred.

(d) The premium rate for an assumed individual or small employer health benefit plan may not be modified by the assuming covered carrier until the health benefit plan is transferred pursuant to Subsection R590-167-5(4)(a). Upon transfer, the assuming covered carrier shall calculate a new premium rate for the health benefit plan from the rate manual established for the class of business into which the health benefit plan is transferred. In making such calculation, the risk load applied to the health benefit plan shall be no higher than the risk load applicable to such health benefit plan prior to the assumption.

(e) During the 15 month period provided in this subsection, the transfer of individual or small employer health benefit plans from the assumed class of business in accordance with this subsection may not be considered a violation of the first sentence of Subsection 31A-30-106(2).

(5) An assuming carrier may not apply eligibility requirements, including minimum participation and contribution requirements, with respect to an assumed health benefit plan, or with respect to any health benefit plan subsequently offered to an individual or small employer covered by such an assumed health benefit plan, that are more stringent than the requirements applicable to such health benefit plan prior to the assumption.

(6) The commissioner may approve a longer period of transition upon application of a covered carrier. The application shall be made within 60 days after the date of assumption of the class of business and shall clearly state the justification for a longer transition period.

(7) Nothing in this section or in the Act is intended to:

(a) reduce or diminish any legal or contractual obligation or requirement, including any obligation provided in Section 31A-14-213, of the ceding or assuming carrier related to the transaction;

(b) authorize a carrier that is not admitted to transact the business of insurance in this state to offer or insure health benefit plans in this state; or

(c) reduce or diminish the protections related to an assumption reinsurance transaction provided in Section 31A-14-213 or otherwise provided by law.

R590-167-6. Restrictions Relating to Premium Rates.

(1) A covered carrier shall develop a separate rate manual for each class of business. Base premium rates and new business premium rates charged to individuals and small employers by the covered carrier shall be computed solely from the applicable rate manual developed pursuant to this subsection. To the extent that a portion of the premium rates charged by a covered carrier is based on the carrier's discretion, the manual shall specify the criteria and factors considered by the carrier in exercising such discretion.

(2)(a) A covered carrier may not modify the rating method, as defined in Section R590-167-2, used in the rate manual for a class of business until the change has been approved as provided in this subsection. The commissioner may approve a change to a rating method if the commissioner finds that the change is reasonable, actuarially appropriate, and consistent with the purposes of the Act and this rule.

(b) A carrier may modify the rating method for a class of business only after filing an actuarial certification. The filing shall clearly request approval for a change in rating method and contain at least the following information:

(i) the reasons the change in rating method is being requested;

(ii) a complete description of each of the proposed modifications to the rating method;

(iii) a description of how the change in rating method would affect the premium rates currently charged to individuals and small employers in the class of business, including an estimate from a qualified actuary of the number of groups or individuals, and a description of the types of groups or individuals, whose premium rates may change by more than 10% due to the proposed change in rating method, not including general increases in premium rates applicable to all individuals and small employers in a health benefit plan;

(iv) a certification from a qualified actuary that the new rating method would be based on objective and credible data and would be actuarially sound and appropriate; and

(v) a certification from a qualified actuary that the proposed change in rating method would not produce premium rates for individuals and small employers that would be in violation of Sections 31A-30-106 and 31A-30-106.5.

(3) The rate manual developed pursuant to Subsections 31A-30-106(4) and R590-167-6(1) shall specify the case characteristics and rate factors to be applied by the covered carrier in establishing premium rates for the class of business.

(a) A covered carrier may not use case characteristics other than those specified in Subsection 31A-30-106(1)(h) without the prior approval of the commissioner. A covered carrier seeking such an approval shall make a filing with the commissioner for a change in rating method under Subsection R590-167-6(2)(b). Tobacco use is not an allowable case characteristic. Tobacco use is an allowable risk characteristic when utilized in compliance with Section 31A-30-106(1)(b).

(b) A covered carrier shall use the same case characteristics in establishing premium rates for each health benefit plan in a class of business and shall apply them in the same manner in establishing premium rates for each such health benefit plan. Case characteristics shall be applied without regard to the risk characteristics of an individual or small employer.

(c) The rate manual shall clearly illustrate the relationship among the base premium rates charged for each health benefit plan in the class of business. If the new business premium rate is different than the base premium rate for a health benefit plan, the rate manual shall illustrate the difference.

(d) Differences among base premium rates for health benefit plans shall be based solely on the reasonable and objective differences in the design and benefits of the health benefit plans and may not be based in any way on the nature of an individual or small employer that choose or are expected to choose a particular health benefit plan. A covered carrier shall apply case characteristics and rate factors within a class of business in a manner that assures that premium differences among health benefit plans for identical individuals or small employers vary only due to reasonable and objective differences in the design and benefits of the health benefit plans and are not due to the nature of the individuals or small employers that choose or are expected to choose a particular health benefit plan.

(e) The rate manual shall provide for premium rates to be developed in a two step process.

(i) In the first step, a base premium rate shall be developed for the individual or small employer without regard to any risk characteristics.

(ii) In the second step, the resulting base premium rate may be adjusted by a risk load, subject to the provisions of Sections 31A-30-106 and 31A-30-106.5, to reflect the risk characteristics.

(f) Each rate manual developed pursuant to Subsection R590-167-6(1) shall be maintained by the carrier for a period of

six years. Updates and changes to the manual shall be maintained with the manual.

(4)(a) Except as provided in Subsection R590-167-6(4)(b), a premium charged to an individual or small employer for a health benefit plan may not include a separate application fee, underwriting fee, or any other separate fee or charge.

(b) A carrier may charge a separate fee with respect to an individual or small employer health benefit plan, but only one fee with respect to such plan, provided the fee is no more than $5 per month per individual or employee and is applied in a uniform manner to each health benefit plan in a class of business.

(5) If group size is used as a case characteristic by a covered carrier, the highest rate factor associated with a group size classification may not exceed the lowest rate factor associated with such a classification by more than 20% without prior approval of the commissioner.

(6) The restrictions related to changes in premium rates in Subsections 31A-30-106(1)(c) and 31A-30-106(1)(f) shall be applied as follows:

(a) A covered carrier shall revise its rate manual each rating period to reflect changes in base premium rates and changes in new business premium rates.

(b)(i) If, for any health benefit plan with respect to any rating period, the percentage change in the new business premium rate is less than or the same as the percentage change in the base premium rate, the change in the new business premium rate shall be deemed to be the change in the base premium rate for the purposes of Subsections 31A-30-106(1)(c) and 31A-30-106(1)(f).

(ii) If, for any health benefit plan with respect to any rating period, the percentage change in the new business premium rate exceeds the percentage change in the base premium rate, the health benefit plan shall be considered a health benefit plan into which the covered carrier is no longer enrolling new individuals or small employers for the purposes of Subsections 31A-30-106(1)(c) and 31A-30-106(1)(f).

(c) If, for any rating period, the change in the new business premium rate for a health benefit plan differs from the change in the new business premium rate for any other health benefit plan in the same class of business by more than 20%, the carrier shall make a filing with the commissioner containing a complete explanation of how the respective changes in new business premium rates were established and the reason for the difference. The filing shall be made 30 days before the beginning of the rating period.

(d) A covered carrier shall keep on file for a period of at least six years the calculations used to determine the change in base premium rates and new business premium rates for each health benefit plan for each rating period.

(7)(a) Except as provided in Subsection R590-167-6(7)(b), a change in premium rate for an individual or small employer shall produce a revised premium rate that is no more than the following:

(i) the base premium rate for the individual or small employer, as shown in the rate manual as revised for the rating period, multiplied by:

(ii) one plus the sum of:

(iii) the risk load applicable to the individual or small employer during the previous rating period; and

(iv) 15% prorated for periods of less than one year.

(b) In the case of a health benefit plan into which a covered carrier is no longer enrolling new individuals or small employers, a change in premium rate for an individual or small employer shall produce a revised premium rate that is no more than the following:

(i) the base premium rate for the individual or small employer, given its present composition and as shown in the rate manual in effect for the individual or small employer at the beginning of the previous rating period, multiplied by:

(ii) one plus the lesser of:

(A) the change in the base rate; or

(B) the percentage change in the new business premium for the most similar health benefit plan into which the covered carrier is enrolling new individuals or small employers, multiplied by:

(iii) one plus the sum of:

(A) the risk load applicable to the individual or small employer during the previous rating period; and

(B) 15%, prorated for periods of less than one year.

(c) Notwithstanding the provisions of Subsections R590-167-6(7)(a) and (b), a change in premium rate for an individual or small employer may not produce a revised premium rate that would exceed the limitations on rates provided in Subsection 31A-30-106(1)(b).

(8)(a) A representative of a Taft Hartley trust, including a carrier upon the written request of such a trust, may file in writing with the commissioner a request for the waiver of application of the provisions of Subsection 31A-30-106(1) with respect to such trust.

(b) A request made under Subsection R590-167-6(8)(a) shall identify the provisions for which the trust is seeking the waiver and shall describe, with respect to each provision, the extent to which application of such provision would:

(i) adversely affect the participants and beneficiaries of the trust; and

(ii) require modifications to one or more of the collective bargaining agreements under or pursuant to which the trust was or is established or maintained.

(c) A waiver granted under Subsection 31A-30-104(5) shall not apply to an individual who participates in the trust because the individual is an associate member of an employee organization or the beneficiary of such an individual.

R590-167-7. Application to Reenter State.

(1) A carrier that has been prohibited from writing coverage for individuals or small employers in this state pursuant to Subsection 31A-30-107.3 may not resume offering health benefit plans to individuals or small employers in this state until the carrier has made a petition to the commissioner to be reinstated as a covered carrier and the petition has been approved by the commissioner. In reviewing a petition, the commissioner may ask for such information and assurances as the commissioner finds reasonable and appropriate.

(2) In the case of a covered carrier doing business in only one established geographic service area of the state, if the covered carrier elects to nonrenew a health benefit plan under Subsections 31A-30-107(3)(e) or 107.1(3)(e), the covered carrier shall be prohibited from offering health benefit plans to individuals or small employers in any part of the service area for a period of five years. In addition, the covered carrier may not offer health benefit plans to individuals or small employers in any other geographic area of the state without the prior approval of the commissioner. In considering whether to grant approval, the commissioner may ask for such information and assurances as the commissioner finds reasonable and appropriate.

R590-167-8. Qualifying Previous Coverage.

A covered carrier shall not deny, exclude, or limit benefits because of a preexisting condition without first ascertaining the existence and source of previous coverage. The covered carrier shall have the responsibility to contact the source of such previous coverage to resolve any questions about the benefits or limitations related to such previous coverage. Previous coverage may be coverage that continues after the issuance of the new health benefit plan. The previous carrier shall fully cooperate in furnishing the needed information required by this section.

R590-167-9. Restrictive Riders.

A restrictive rider, endorsement or other provision that violates the provisions of Subsection 31A-30-107.5 may not remain in force. A covered carrier shall immediately provide written notice to those individuals or small employers whose coverage will be changed pursuant to this section.

R590-167-10. Status of Carriers as Covered Carriers.

(1) Prior to marketing a health benefit plan, a carrier shall make a filing with the commissioner indicating whether the carrier intends to operate as a covered carrier in this state under the terms of the Act and of this rule. Such filing will indicate if the covered carrier intends to market to individuals, small employers or both, and be signed by an officer of the company.

(2) Except as provided by Subsection R590-167-10(3), a carrier may not offer health benefit plans to individuals, small employers, or continue to provide coverage under health benefit plans previously issued to individuals or small employers in this state, unless the filing provided pursuant to Subsection R590-167-10(1) indicates that the carrier intends to operate as a covered carrier in this state.

(3) If a carrier does not intend to operate as a covered carrier in this state, the carrier may continue to provide coverage under health benefit plans previously issued to individuals and small employers in this state only if the carrier complies with the following provisions:

(a) the carrier complies with the requirements of the Act with respect to each of the health benefit plans previously issued to individuals and small employers by the carrier;

(b) the carrier provides coverage to each new entrant to a health benefit plan previously issued to an individual or small employer by the carrier;

(c) the carrier complies with the requirements of Section 31A-30-106 and this rule as they apply to individuals and small employers whose coverage has been terminated by the carrier and to individuals and small employers whose coverage has been limited or restricted by the carrier; and

(d) the carrier files a letter of intent indicating the carrier does not intend to operate as a covered carrier in this state and will maintain the business in compliance with the Act and this rule.

(4) If the filing made pursuant Subsection R590-167-10(3) indicates that a carrier does not intend to operate as a covered carrier in this state, the carrier shall be precluded from operating as a covered carrier in this state, except as provided for in Subsection R590-167-10(3), for a period of five years from the date of the filing. Upon a written request from such a carrier, the commissioner may reduce the period provided for in the previous sentence if the commissioner finds that permitting the carrier to operate as a covered carrier would be in the best interests of the individuals and small employers in the state.

R590-167-11. Actuarial Certification and Additional Filing Requirements.

(1) Actuarial Certification.

(a) An actuarial certification shall be filed annually and meet the requirements of Section 31A-30-106(4)(b) and the following:

(i) the actuarial certification shall be a written statement that meets the requirements of Title 31A Chapter 30, R590-167, and the applicable standards of practice as promulgated by the Actuarial Standards Board;

(ii) the actuary must state that he or she meets the qualifications of Subsection 31A-30-103(1);

(iii) the actuarial certification shall contain the following statement: "I, (name), certify that (name of covered carrier) is in compliance with the provisions of Title 31A Chapter 30, and R590-167, based upon the examination of (name of covered carrier), including review of the appropriate records and of the actuarial assumptions and methods utilized by (name of covered carrier) in establishing premium rates for applicable health benefit plans;" and

(iv) the actuarial certification shall list and describe each written demonstration used by the actuary to establish compliance with Title 31A Chapter 30 and R590-167.

(b) The actuarial certification shall be filed no later than April 1 of each year.

(2) Rating Manual.

(a) For every health benefit plan subject to the Act and this rule, the carrier shall file with the commissioner a copy of the applicable rating manual, for both new business and renewal rates, which includes:

(i) signed certification by an actuary that to the best of the actuary's knowledge and judgment the rate filing is in compliance with the applicable laws and rules of the State of Utah;

(ii) a complete and detailed description of how the final premium, including any fees, is calculated from the rating manual;

(iii) all changes and updates, which includes a complete and detailed description of how the final premium, including any fees, is calculated from the rating manual; and

(iv) a description of the carrier's classes of business as described in Subsection R590-167-4(1).

(b) The rate manual shall be filed:

(i) with an initial product filing; or

(ii) within 30 days prior to use for an existing health benefit plan

(3) Index Premium Rates.

(a) A small employer carrier shall file annually the index premium rate information required by Section 31A-29-117(2). The report shall include:

(i) the small employer index premium rate as of January 1 of the previous year;

(ii) the small employer index premium rate as of January 1 of the current year; and

(iii) the average percentage change in the index premium rate as of January 1 of the current and preceding year.

(b) The information described in Subsection R590-167-11(3)(a) shall be filed no later than February 1 of each year.

R590-167-12. Records.

Records submitted to the commissioner under this rule shall be maintained by the commissioner as protected records under Title 63G, Chapter 2, Government Records Access and Management Act.

R590-167-13. Penalties.

A person found, after a hearing or other regulatory process, to be in violation of this rule shall be subject to penalties as provided under Section 31A-2-308.

R590-167-14. Enforcement Date.

The commissioner will begin enforcing the revised provisions of this rule 45 days from the rule's effective date.

R590-167-15. Severability.

If any provision of this rule or the application of it to any person or circumstance is, for any reason, held to be invalid, the remainder of the rule and the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances will not be affected by the invalid provision.

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R590. Insurance, Administration.
R590-176. Health Benefit Plan Enrollment.
R590-176-1. Authority.

The commissioner's authority to promulgate this rule is provided in Sections 31A-2-201(3) and 31A-2-202(2).

R590-176-2. Purpose and Scope.

The purpose and scope of this rule is to provide enrollment requirements under Section 31A-30-108 for carriers who provide health benefit plan coverage to individuals and small employers as stated in Section 31A-30-104.

R590-176-3. Definitions.

(1) The definitions in Sections 31A-1-301 and 31A-30-103 apply to this rule.

(2) "Carrier" means a covered carrier as defined in Section 31A-30-103.

(3) "Time period" means the period such as daily, weekly or monthly, as determined by the carrier, in which applications are grouped.

R590-176-4. General Provisions.

(1) Any attempt to selectively or unfairly delay, obstruct or otherwise hinder any person from obtaining coverage under Chapter 30 is a violation of Section 31A-30-108.

(2) Enrollment shall be equally available through all distribution systems, classes of business, and rating criteria categorizations.

(3) Enrollment is available to small employers without respect to whether any eligible employee or dependent is classified as uninsurable.

(4) The enrollment residency requirements do not supersede other dependent and child requirements of the Insurance Code.

(5) A carrier must offer a basic health care plan in compliance with Sections 31A-22-613.5 and 31A-30-109.

(6) A carrier may not market or encourage producers to market individual or small employer health benefit plans in such a way that there is a lessened incentive to insure business with greater health risks.

(7) Commission schedules shall be structured in compliance with R590-207, Health Agent Commissions for Small Employer Groups.

(8) The carrier shall retain a signed statement from each covered small employer that the carrier offered to accept all eligible employees and their dependents at the same level of benefits under the health benefit plan provided to the employer.

(9) An individual or small employer is considered uninsured if the individual or small employer:

(a) does not have a health benefit plan; or

(b) health benefit plan is with a carrier that has made an election under Subsections 31A-8-402.3(3)(e), 31A-8-402.5(3)(e), 31A-22-721(3)(e), 31A-30-107(3)(e), or 31A-30-107.1(3)(e).

(10) All records regarding enrollment applications and underwriting determinations shall:

(a) be retrievable for examination by the time period the application was received;

(b) include all documents, indicating the applicable date, pertaining to the application and its underwriting; and

(c) be retained for the current year plus three years.

(11) The documents indicated in subsection (10)(b) would include:

(a) application and date received,

(b) notifications to the applicant and the date of notification;

(c) records used in underwriting and date received; and

(d) underwriting decision and date of decision.

R590-176-5. Application and Enrollment.

(1) An individual carrier shall establish a procedure to determine the order of applications. The procedure shall group the applications into consistent time periods. The enrollment cap may not be applied until the end of the time period in which it is met. The individual carrier shall keep a record of all applications for coverage that includes the time period an application is received by the carrier.

(2) All applications shall be treated consistently.

(3)(a) A complete application shall be processed and a written notice of the decision communicated to the applicant within 30 days of the decision. If an application is denied, the decision must include specific details explaining the denial.

(b) The carrier may not require that an application be complete in order to qualify as an application for coverage.

(c) If an application is incomplete, within 15 days from receipt of the application, a carrier shall notify the applicant of the areas that are incomplete and the information required to complete the application.

(d) Before an application can be filed as incomplete, applicants shall have at least 30 days, after being notified additional information is required.

(e) A date earlier than the postmarked date of the notice in Subsection (3)(c), may not be used as the date of notification.

(4) The acceptance of an application may not be delayed pending the receipt of medical records. This does not apply to other required statements from applicants as provided in Subsection (3).

R590-176-6. Small Employer Enrollment.

A small employer carrier shall:

(1) permit an eligible employee, or a dependent of such employee, to enroll for coverage under the terms of the plan, if the eligible employee requests enrollment not later than 30 days after the eligibility date; and

(2) enroll a new eligible employee and a dependent of such employee making timely application for coverage in a small employer group with existing coverage.

R590-176-7. Individual Underwriting Criteria.

(1) Each carrier shall determine the number of individuals classified as uninsurable at initial enrollment. This determination shall be made in accordance with underwriting standards established by this rule.

(2) An individual insured by the Utah Comprehensive Health Insurance Pool is classified as uninsurable.

(3)(a) An individual may be classified as uninsurable if the individual has:

(i) one or more medical conditions (conditions; or

(ii) one or more prescriptions; and

(iii) the conditions, prescriptions, or both, are assigned a total number of debit points equal to or greater than 99 debit points in the aggregate according to the latest version of the Milliman Small Group Medical Underwriting Guidelines taking into account;

(A) elapsed time;

(B) additional criteria; and

(C) exception criteria.

(b) A carrier may not take into account conditions for which coverage is not provided. This includes conditions excluded as a pre-existing condition for which treatment is expected during the exclusion period if the applicant would not be considered uninsurable after the treatment.

(4) The Milliman Small Group Medical Underwriting Guidelines are available at the HIPUtah administrator's place of business.

(5) A carrier may appeal to the commissioner to have an individual classified as uninsurable if the individual has a combination of conditions, prescriptions, or both, that would

cause that individual to have debit points assigned that equal or exceed the number of debit points determined under Section (3) pursuant to the latest version of the Small Group Medical Underwriting Guidelines. The commissioner may appoint a designee to review these appeals.

(6) Only individuals enrolling under Subsection 31A-30-108(3) may be counted as uninsurable.

R590-176-8. Individual Carrier Enrollment Cap Calculation and Certification.

(1) Pursuant to Section 31A-30-110, an individual carrier may not decline enrollment until the carrier has:

(a) met its enrollment cap; and

(b) submitted a certification to the department in compliance with this section.

(2) An individual carrier may limit enrollment after submitting its certification.

(3) The commissioner may require additional enrollment after reviewing the certification.

(4) An officer of the individual carrier shall submit a certification that:

(a) lists the UC and CI as defined in Section 31A-30-103(28);

(b) lists the number of individual natural covered lives at the time of the certification;

(c) categorizes the UC into new applicants added to existing policies and newly issued policies;

(d) identifies the number of Comprehensive Health Insurance Pool participants; and

(e) identifies the qualifying condition(s), prescription(s), or both that cause the persons making up the carrier's UC to be considered uninsurable under Section 31A-30-106(1)(j)and Rule R590-176.

(5) Carriers, whose coverage count exceeds 200% of the coverage count as of the end of the prior year, shall determine the uninsurable percentage using counts as of the end of the most recent calendar quarter.

R590-176-9. Solvency Waiver.

A carrier that expects the requirements of Chapter 30 to place the carrier in supervision, insolvency or liquidation shall, within 15 days of such determination, submit a report to the commissioner. The report shall detail the financial consequences of Chapter 30 and request the specific waivers or modifications required to prevent supervision, insolvency or liquidation.

R590-176-10. Enforcement Date.

The commissioner will begin enforcing the revised provisions of this rule 45 days from the rule's effective date.

R590-176-11. Severability.

If a provision of this rule or its application to any person or circumstance is for any reason held to be invalid, the remainder of the rule and the application of these provisions may not be affected.

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R590. Insurance Administration.
R590-246. Professional Employer Organization (PEO) License Application Rule.
R590-246-1. Authority.

This rule is promulgated pursuant to the general rulemaking authority granted the insurance commissioner by Subsection 31A-2-201(3)(a) and the specific authority granted by Sections 31A-40-103 and 31A-40-302 through 31A-40-306.

R590-246-2. Purpose and Scope.

(1) The purpose of this rule is to establish:

(a) a licensing process;

(b) license application forms; and

(c) other requirements which the commissioner deems necessary for the regulation of professional employer organizations.

(2) This rule applies to all professional employer organization license applicants, all licensed professional employer organizations, and any unlicensed person doing the business of a professional employer organization in Utah.

R590-246-3. Definitions.

(1) The definitions in Sections 31A-1-301 and 31A-40-102 apply to this rule.

(2) "Fully insured" as used in 31A-40-208 means a health benefit plan for which 100% of the liability has been assumed by an insurance company or health maintenance organization authorized to conduct business in Utah.

(a) The health benefit plan may include a layer of financial responsibility for claims assumed by the PEO as long as the insurance company or health maintenance organization is responsible for 100% of the PEO's liability in the event of non-payment by the PEO.

(b) The covered individual must be entitled to make a claim for payment directly to the insurance company or health maintenance organization.

(c) A fully insured plan may have co-pay or deductible requirements as required by contract.

R590-246-4. Initial and Renewal Licensing Process.

(1) All professional employer organization types must comply with the appropriate statutory requirements and complete and submit the appropriate initial or renewal license application form and any supporting documents to the commissioner.

(2) The initial or renewal application form, and all attachments must be submitted electronically via:

(a) a PDF attachment to an email - the preferred method; or

(b) an electronic facsimile.

(3) A professional employer organization applicant that was registered with the Division of Professional Licensing, Utah Department of Commerce prior to May 4, 2008, will be considered as a renewing licensee by the Department and will:

(a) submit a renewal application prior to September 30, 2008; and

(b) will pay the annual renewal fee in accordance with the instructions issued with the renewal invoice.

(4) A professional employer organization applicant that was not registered with the Division of Professional Licensing, Utah Department of Commerce prior to May 4, 2008, is a new applicant and must:

(a) submit a new application;

(b) pay the license fee by check submitted to the address on the Department's webpage at www.insurance.gov. Checks not drawn on the Professional Employer Organization must be referenced to the organization.

(4) Professional employer types for initial and renewal licenses:

(a) PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYER ORGANIZATION - NOT CERTIFIED THROUGH AN ASSURANCE ORGANIZATION.

(i) Comply with the requirements in Sections 31A-40-205, 31A-40-302 and 31A-40-305.

(ii) Complete the Professional Employer Organization - Not Certified Through An Assurance Organization license application form posted on the Department's webpage at www.insurance.utah.gov.

(iii) The requirement in 31A-40-302(2)(g) will be satisfied by completing and submitting the UCAA Biographical Affidavit form posted on the Department's webpage at www.insurance.utah.gov.

(b) PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYER ORGANIZATION - CERTIFIED THROUGH AN ASSURANCE ORGANIZATION.

(i) Comply with the requirements in Section 31A-40-303.

(ii) Complete the Professional Employer Organization - Certified Through An Assurance Organization license application form posted on the Department's webpage at www.insurance.utah.gov.

(c) PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYER ORGANIZATION - SMALL OPERATION LICENSE.

(i) Comply with the requirements in Section 31A-40-304.

(ii) Complete the Professional Employer Organization - Small Operation License application form posted on the Department's webpage at www.insurance.utah.gov.

(d) PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYER ORGANIZATION GROUP.

(i) Comply with the requirements in Section 31A-4-306.

(ii) Complete the appropriate Professional Employer Organization license application:

(A) Professional Employer Organization - Not Certified Through An Assurance Organization;

(B) Professional Employer Organization - Certified Through An Assurance Organization; or

(C) Professional Employer Organization - Small Operation License.

R590-246-5. Enforcement Date.

The commissioner will begin enforcing this rule 45 days from the rule's effective date.

R590-246-6. Severability.

If any provision of this rule or its application to any person or circumstance is, for any reason, held to be invalid, the remainder of this rule and its application to other persons and circumstances are not effected.

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31A-40-302
31A-40-304

R600. Labor Commission, Administration.
R600-2. Operations.
R600-2-1. Business Hours.

The offices of the Commission shall be open for receipt of official documents between the hours of 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday. Commission offices shall not be open for business Friday through Sunday and on state-recognized holidays. Any official document, including fax transmissions, received when the Commission is not open, including fax transmissions after 6:00 p.m. shall be considered received on the next working day.

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R651. Natural Resources, Parks and Recreation.
R651-219. Additional Safety Equipment.
R651-219-1. Sound Producing Device.

(1) Vessels 16 feet to less than 40 feet in length shall have on board a means of making an efficient sound, horn or whistle, capable of a four-to-six-second blast.

(2) Vessels 40 feet to less than 65 feet in length shall have on board a horn and a bell. The horn shall be capable of a four-to-six-second blast and audible for one-half mile. The bell shall be designed to give a clear tone.

R651-219-2. Bailing Device.

All vessels, not of self-bailing design, shall have on board an adequate bail bucket or be equipped with a mechanical means for pumping the bilge.

R651-219-3. Spare Propulsion.

Vessels less than 21 feet in length shall have on board at least one spare motor, paddle or oar capable of maneuvering the vessel when necessary. On rivers when one-or-two-man capacity vessels less than 16 feet in length are traveling in a group, the above requirement may be met by carrying one spare oar or paddle for every three vessels in the group. On hard hulled white water kayaks, paddles designed to be strapped to or worn on the hand meet this requirement.

R651-219-4. Airboat Requirements.

Airboats operated on the Great Salt Lake and adjacent refuges shall also have on board a compass and one of the following: approved flares, a strobe light, or other visual distress signal.

R651-219-5. Equipment Good and Serviceable.

All required safety equipment shall be in good and serviceable condition, and readily accessible, unless required to be immediately available.

R651-219-6. Law Enforcement Vessels.

No vessel operator except authorized law enforcement and emergency vessel operators may display red or blue flashing lights or sound a siren on any waters of this state.

R651-219-7. Equipment Exemptions.

(1) Sailboards and personal watercraft are exempt from the following rules: Section R651-219-2 bail buckets; Section R651-219-3 spare propulsion; and Section R651-225-4 prohibiting riding on exterior surfaces.

(2) Vessels owned by the Lagoon Corporation and operated by its employees or customers under the controlled use and confines of the Lagoon Amusement Park waterways are exempt from the following Sections: R651-215-11 (3), R651-219-2, and R651-219-3.

(3) Vessels owned by the Salt Lake Airport Hilton Inn and operated by its employees or customers under the controlled use and confines of the Salt Lake Airport Hilton Inn waterways are exempt from the following sections: R651-219-2 and R651-219-3.

(4) Racing vessels participating in a sanctioned race may be exempted from certain equipment requirements by the division upon written request to the division. The equipment exemption shall only be in effect the day before and the day of the race if conditions of the exemption are met.

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R652. Natural Resources; Forestry, Fire and State Lands.
R652-90. Sovereign Land Management Planning.
R652-90-100. Authority.

This rule implements Sections 65A-2-2 and 65A-2-4 which requires that planning procedures be developed for sovereign lands, and for the opportunity for the public to participate in the planning process.

R652-90-200. Scope.

This rule sets forth the planning procedures for natural and cultural resources on sovereign land as required by law. These procedures establish comprehensive land-management policies using multiple-use, sustained-yield principles in order to make the interest of the beneficiary paramount. Management plans shall guide the implementation of stated management objectives, and provide direction for land-use decisions and activities on sovereign lands. One or more of the following plans, as defined in R652-1-200, shall be implemented pursuant to 65A-2-2:

(1) Comprehensive management plans;

(2) Site-specific plans;

(3) Resource plans.

R652-90-300. Initiation of Planning Process.

1. A comprehensive planning process is initiated by the designation of a planning unit as planning priorities are established by the division.

2. Resource Management planning is initiated by the division's identification and determination that there is a need for such a plan.

3. When no comprehensive management plan or a resource management plan exists for sovereign land, site-specific planning shall be initiated either by:

(a) an application for a sovereign land use, or

(b) the identification by the division of an opportunity for commercial gain in a specific area.

R652-90-400. Site-Specific Planning.

1. When the division conducts site-specific planning it shall consider:

(a) a comparative evaluation of the commercial gain potential of the proposed use with competing or existing uses;

(b) the effect of the proposed use on adjoining sovereign lands;

(c) an evaluation of the proposed use or action with regard to natural and cultural resources, if appropriate;

(d) the notification of, and environmental analysis of, the proposed use provided by the public, federal, state, and municipal agencies through the Resource Development Coordinating Committee (RDCC) process; and

(e) any further notification and evaluations as required by applicable rules.

2. During the site-specific planning process, the director may determine that a comprehensive management plan be prepared. In making such a determination, the director may consider:

(a) the amount of public interest in the natural and cultural resources of the area;

(b) any unique attributes of the land;

(c) the potential for conflicts with other land uses; and

(d) the opportunities for commercial gain of the sovereign land resources by development of a comprehensive or resource management plan, exchange of the land or other options in lieu of those set forth in the application.

R652-90-500. Notification and Public Comment.

1. Once a planning unit is designated for a comprehensive management plan, notice shall be sent to the Office of Planning and Budget for inclusion in the RDCC agenda packet and, if appropriate, the weekly status report.

2. The division shall conduct at least one public meeting in the vicinity of a planning unit that has been designated for a comprehensive management plan.

(a) The meeting shall provide an opportunity for public comment regarding the issues to be addressed in the plan.

(b) The public meeting(s) shall be held at least two weeks after notice in a local newspaper.

(c) Notice of public meeting(s) shall be sent directly to lessees of record, local government officials and the Office of Planning and Budget for inclusion in the RDCC agenda packet and weekly status report. A mailing list shall be maintained by the division.

(d) Additional public meetings may be held.

3. Notice that a site-specific or resource planning effort is under way shall be given to:

(a) affected parties as required by rule for exchange, or lease;

(b) the Office of Planning and Budget for inclusion in the RDCC agenda packet and the weekly status report.

R652-90-600. Public Review.

1. Comprehensive management plans shall be published in draft form and sent to persons on the mailing list established under R652-90-400, the Office of Planning and Budget, and other persons upon request.

(a) A public comment period of at least 45 days shall commence upon receipt of the draft in the Office of Planning and Budget.

(b) All public comment shall be acknowledged pursuant to 65A-2-4(2).

(c) The division's response to the public comment shall be summarized in the final comprehensive management plan.

(d) Comments received after the public comment period shall be acknowledged but need not be summarized in the final plan.

2. Resource plans shall be published and made available upon request.

(a) Persons wishing to comment on these plans may do so at any time.

(b) The division shall acknowledge all written comments.

3. Upon completion of a site-specific planning process, the Record of Decision or other document summarizing final division action and relevant facts shall be provided to any persons requesting notice from the division.

R652-90-700. Interim Management.

1. Once the planning process is initiated, and for the purpose of effective interim management, the division may designate a primary intended land use or withdraw land in the planning unit from any or all surface or subsurface land use for the duration of the planning process or 18 months, whichever is less.

2. At the onset of a management planning process, a primary intended land use may be designated for land that is reasonably expected to be used for a combination of mineral, industrial, recreational, residential and other uses.

(a) During the planning process, surface actions which will adversely affect the primary intended land use shall be subject to a maximum term of five years and the prohibition of surface disturbance which will foreclose future use options.

(b) The primary intended land use may be changed during the planning process in response to new management opportunities.

3. Any application for activities covered by a current withdrawal shall be held in abeyance. At the conclusion of the planning process, the director may deny an application or any part thereof which is inconsistent with the completed plan, or continue to process all other applications which have been held in abeyance.

4. A lease which expires during the planning processes may be extended only for the duration of the withdrawal. Extensions granted under this provision are exempt from the requirement of R652-30-1000.

R652-90-800. Multiple-Use Framework.

Comprehensive management plans shall consider the following multiple-use factors to achieve sovereign land-management objectives:

1. The highest and best use(s) for the sovereign land resources in the planning unit.

2. Present and future use(s) for the sovereign land resources in the planning unit;

3. Suitability of the sovereign lands in the planning unit for the proposed uses;

4. The impact of proposed use(s) on other sovereign land resources in the planning unit;

5. The compatibility of possible use(s) as proposed by general public comments, application from prospective users or division analysis; and

6. The uniqueness, special attributes and availability of resources in the planning unit.

R652-90-900. Joint Planning.

The division may participate in joint planning with other land management agencies.

R652-90-1000. Amendments to Management Plans.

1. The division shall follow the management direction, policies and land use proposals presented in comprehensive management plans. When unforeseen circumstances arise which may require a change in plans, the division shall adhere to the following procedure for amendments to comprehensive management plans:

(a) notify affected lessees, beneficiaries, local and other affected government entities;

(b) submit the proposed amendment to the RDCC for review and comment; and

(c) conduct a public meeting in the affected area to provide an opportunity for comment, after giving two weeks' notice in a local newspaper. The division shall acknowledge all written comments.

2. Resource plans may be amended by the division without public notice.

3. Site-specific plans may be amended by the director at any time following issuance provided that the amendment:

(a) does not materially affect any person's rights or obligations, and

(b) is consistent with existing policy or rule.

R652-90-1100. Termination of Planning.

Prior to issuance of a final planning document, a planning process may be suspended or terminated by the division.

R652-90-1200. Environmental Assessments.

1. The RDCC process provides an environmental assessment for purposes of sovereign land management. The public may comment on proposed sovereign land uses through the RDCC and other public notification processes.

2. Any additional environmental impact analysis shall be at the director's discretion based on a written determination that additional evaluation is consistent with division duties.

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R655. Natural Resources, Water Rights.
R655-4. Water Well Drillers.
R655-4-1. Purpose, Scope, and Exclusions.

1.1 Purpose.

These rules are promulgated pursuant to Section 73-3-25. The purpose of these rules is to assist in the orderly development of underground water; insure that minimum construction standards are followed in the drilling, construction, deepening, repairing, renovating, cleaning, development, and abandonment of water wells and other regulated wells; prevent pollution of aquifers within the state; prevent wasting of water from flowing wells; obtain accurate records of well construction operations; and insure compliance with the state engineer's authority for appropriating water.

All administrative procedures involving applications, approvals, hearings, notices, revocations, orders and their judicial review, and all other administrative procedures required or allowed by these rules are governed by R655-6 "Administrative Procedures for Informal Proceedings Before the Division of Water Rights".

1.2 Scope.

The drilling, construction, deepening, repair, renovation, replacement, cleaning, development, or abandonment of the following types of wells is regulated by these administrative rules and the work must be permitted by the Utah Division of Water Rights and completed by a licensed well driller. These rules apply to both vertical, angle and horizontal wells if they fall within the criteria listed below. The rules contained herein pertain only to work on the well itself. These rules do not regulate the incidental work around the well such as pump and motor installation and repair; plumbing, electrical, and excavation work up to the well; and the building of well enclosures unless these activities directly impact or change the construction of the well itself. The process for an applicant to obtain approval to drill, construct, deepen, repair, renovate, clean, develop, abandon, or replace the wells listed below in 1.2.1, 1.2.2, 1.2.3, and 1.2.4 is outlined in Section R655-4-7 of these rules.

1.2.1 Cathodic protection wells which are completed to a depth greater than 30 feet.

1.2.2 Heating or cooling exchange wells which are greater than 30 feet in depth and which encounter formations containing groundwater. If a separate well or borehole is required for re-injection purposes, it must also comply with these administrative rules.

1.2.3 Monitor, piezometer, and test wells designed for the purpose of testing and monitoring water quality and quantity which are completed to a depth greater than 30 feet.

1.2.4 Other wells (cased or open) which are completed to a depth greater than 30 feet that can potentially interfere with established aquifers such as wells to monitor mass movement (inclinometers), facilitate horizontal utility placement, monitor man-made structures, house instrumentation to monitor structural performance, or dissipate hydraulic pressures (dewatering wells).

1.2.5 Private water production wells which are completed to a depth greater than 30 feet.

1.2.6 Public water system supply wells.

1.2.7 Recharge and recovery wells which are drilled under the provisions of Title 73, Chapter 3b "Groundwater Recharge and Recovery Act" Utah Code Annotated.

1.3 Exclusions.

The drilling, construction, deepening, repair, renovation, replacement, cleaning, development, or abandonment of the following types of wells or boreholes are excluded from regulation under these administrative rules:

1.3.1 Any wells described in Section 1.2 that are constructed to a final depth of 30 feet or less. However, diversion and beneficial use of groundwater from wells at a depth of 30 feet or less shall require approval through the appropriation procedures and policies of the state engineer and Title 73, Chapter 3 of the Utah Code Annotated.

1.3.2 Geothermal wells. Although not regulated under the Administrative Rules for Water Well Drillers, geothermal wells are subject to Section 73-22-1 "Utah Geothermal Resource Conservation Act" Utah Code Annotated and the rules promulgated by the state engineer including Section R655-1, Wells Used for the Discovery and Production of Geothermal Energy in the State of Utah.

1.3.3 Temporary exploratory wells drilled to obtain information on the subsurface strata on which an embankment or foundation is to be placed or an area proposed to be used as a potential source of material for construction.

1.3.4 Wells or boreholes drilled or constructed into non-water bearing zones or which are 30 feet or less in depth for the purpose of utilizing heat from the surrounding earth.

1.3.5 Geotechnical borings drilled to obtain lithologic data which are not installed for the purpose of utilizing or monitoring groundwater, and which are properly sealed immediately after drilling and testing.

1.3.6 Oil, gas, and mineral exploration/production wells. These wells are subject to rules promulgated under the Division of Oil, Gas, and Mining of the Utah Department of Natural Resources.

R655-4-2. Definitions.

ABANDONED WELL - any well which is not in use and has been sealed or plugged with approved sealing materials so that it is rendered unproductive and will prevent contamination of groundwater. A properly abandoned well will not produce water nor serve as a channel for movement of water from the well or between water bearing zones.

AMERICAN NATIONAL STANDARDS INSTITUTE (ANSI) - a nationally recognized testing laboratory that certifies building products and adopts standards including those for steel and plastic (PVC) casing utilized in the well drilling industry. ANSI standards are often adopted for use by ASTM and AWWA. Current information on standards can be obtained from: ANSI, 1430 Broadway, New York, NY 10018.

AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR TESTING AND MATERIALS (ASTM) - an independent organization concerned with the development of standards on characteristics and performance of materials, products and systems including those utilized in the well drilling industry. Information may be obtained from: ASTM, 1916 Race Street, Philadelphia, PA 19013.

AMERICAN WATER WORKS ASSOCIATION (AWWA) - an international association which publishes standards intended to represent a consensus of the water supply industry that the product or procedure described in the standard will provide satisfactory service or results. Information may be obtained from: AWWA, 6666 West Quincy Avenue, Denver CO 80235.

ANNULAR SPACE - the space between the outer well casing and the borehole or the space between two sets of casing.

AQUIFER - a porous underground formation yielding withdrawable water suitable for beneficial use.

ARTESIAN AQUIFER - a water-bearing formation which contains underground water under sufficient pressure to rise above the zone of saturation.

ARTESIAN WELL - a well where the water level rises appreciably above the zone of saturation.

BENTONITE - a highly plastic, highly absorbent, colloidal swelling clay composed largely of mineral sodium montmorillonite. Bentonite is commercially available in powdered, granular, tablet, pellet, or chip form which is hydrated with potable water and used for a variety of purposes including the stabilization of borehole walls during drilling, the

control of potential or existing high fluid pressures encountered during drilling below a water table, well abandonment, and to provide a seal in the annular space between the well casing and borehole wall.

BENTONITE GROUT - a mixture of bentonite and potable water specifically designed to seal and plug wells and boreholes mixed at manufacturer's specifications to a grout consistency which can be pumped through a pipe directly into the annular space of a well or used for abandonment. Its primary purpose is to seal the borehole or well in order to prevent the subsurface migration or communication of fluids.

CASH BOND - A type of well driller bond in the form of a certificate of deposit (CD) submitted and assigned to the State Engineer by a licensed driller to satisfy the required bonding requirements.

CASING - a tubular retaining and sealing structure that is installed in the borehole to maintain the well opening.

CATHODIC PROTECTION WELL - a well constructed for the purpose of installing deep anodes to minimize or prevent electrolytic corrosive action of metallic structures installed below ground surface, such as pipelines, transmission lines, well casings, storage tanks, or pilings.

CONFINING UNIT - a geological layer either of unconsolidated material, usually clay or hardpan, or bedrock, usually shale, through which virtually no water moves.

CONSOLIDATED FORMATION - bedrock consisting of sedimentary, igneous, or metamorphic rock (e.g., shale, sandstone, limestone, quartzite, conglomerate, basalt, granite, tuff, etc.).

DEWATERING WELL - a water extraction well constructed for the purpose of lowering the water table elevation, either temporarily or permanently, around a man-made structure or construction activity.

DISINFECTION - or disinfecting is the use of chlorine or other disinfecting agent or process approved by the state engineer, in sufficient concentration and contact time adequate to inactivate or eradicate bacteria such as coliform or other organisms.

DRAWDOWN - the difference in elevation between the static water level and the pumping water level in a well.

DRILL RIG - any power-driven percussion, rotary, boring, coring, digging, jetting, or augering machine used in the construction of a well or borehole.

EMERGENCY SITUATION - any situation where immediate action is required to protect life or property. Emergency status would also extend to any situation where life is not immediately threatened but action is needed immediately and it is not possible to contact the state engineer for approval. For example, it would be considered an emergency if a domestic well needed immediate repair over a weekend when the state engineer's offices are closed.

GRAVEL PACKED WELL - a well in which filter material such as sand and/or gravel is placed in the annular space between the well intakes (screen or perforated casing) and the borehole wall to increase the effective diameter of the well and to prevent fine-grained sediments from entering the well.

GROUNDWATER - subsurface water in a zone of saturation.

GROUT - a fluid mixture of Portland cement or bentonite with water of a consistency that can be forced through a pipe and placed as required. Upon approval, various additives such as sand, bentonite, and hydrated lime may be included in the mixture to meet different requirements.

HYDRAULIC FRACTURING - the process whereby water or other fluid is pumped with sand under high pressure into a well to fracture and clean-out the rock surrounding the well bore thus increasing the flow to the well.

MONITOR WELL - a well, as defined under "well" in this section, that is constructed for the purpose of determining water levels, monitoring chemical, bacteriological, radiological, or other physical properties of ground water or vadose zone water.

NATIONAL SANITATION FOUNDATION (NSF) - a voluntary third party consensus standards and testing entity established under agreement with the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to develop testing and adopt standards and certification programs for all direct and indirect drinking water additives and products.

Information may be obtained from: NSF, 3475 Plymouth Road, P O Box 1468, Ann Arbor, Michigan 48106.

NEAT CEMENT GROUT - cement conforming to the ASTM Standard C150 (standard specification of Portland cement), with no more than six gallons of water per 94 pound sack (one cubic foot) of cement of sufficient weight density of not less than 15 lbs/gallon.

OPERATOR - a drill rig operator is an individual who works under the direct supervision of a licensed Utah Water Well Driller and who can be left in responsible charge to construct water wells using equipment that is under the direct control of the licensee.

PIEZOMETER - a tube or pipe, open at the bottom in groundwater, and sealed along its length, used to measure hydraulic head or water level in a geologic unit.

PITLESS ADAPTER OR UNIT - an assembly of parts designed for attachment to a well casing which allows buried pump discharge from the well and allows access to the interior of the well casing for installation or removal of the pump or pump appurtenances, while preventing contaminants from entering the well. Such devices protect the water and distribution lines from temperature extremes, permit extension of the casing above ground as required in Subsection R655-4-9.3.2 and allow access to the well, pump or system components within the well without exterior excavation or disruption of surrounding earth or surface seal.

POLLUTION - the alteration of the physical, thermal, chemical, or biological quality of, or the contamination of, any water that renders the water harmful, detrimental, or injurious to humans, animals, vegetation, or property, or to public health, safety, or welfare, or impairs the usefulness or the public enjoyment of the water for any or reasonable purpose.

POTABLE WATER - water supplied for human consumption, sanitary use, or for the preparation of food or pharmaceutical products which is free from biological, chemical, physical, and radiological impurities.

PRESSURE GROUTING - a process by which grout is confined within the drillhole or casing by the use of retaining plugs or packers and by which sufficient pressure is applied to drive the grout slurry into the annular space or zone to be grouted.

PRIVATE WATER PRODUCTION WELL - a privately owned well constructed to supply water for any purpose which has been approved by the state engineer (such as irrigation, stockwater, domestic, commercial, industrial, etc.).

PROBATION - A disciplinary action that may be taken by the state engineer that entails greater review and regulation of well drilling activities but which does not prohibit a well driller from engaging in the well drilling business or operating well drilling equipment.

PROVISIONAL WELL - authorization granted by the state engineer to drill under a pending, unapproved water right, change or exchange application; or for the purpose of determining characteristics of an aquifer, or the existence of a useable groundwater source. Water from a provisional well cannot be put to beneficial use until the application has been approved.

PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM SUPPLY WELL - a well, either publicly or privately owned, providing water for human consumption and other domestic uses which has at least 15 service connections or regularly serves an average of at least 25

individuals daily for at least 60 days out of the year. Public Water System Supply Wells are also regulated by the Division of Drinking Water in the Utah Department of Environmental Quality (Section R309 of the Utah Administrative Code).

PUMPING WATER LEVEL - the water level in a well after a period of pumping at a given rate.

REVOCATION - A disciplinary action that may be taken by the state engineer that rescinds the well driller's Utah Water Well Driller's License

SAND - a material having a prevalent grain size ranging from 2 millimeters to 0.06 millimeters.

SAND CEMENT GROUT - a grout consisting of equal parts of cement conforming to ASTM standard C150 and sand/aggregate with no more than six (6) gallons of water per 94 pound sack (one cubic foot) of cement.

STANDARD DIMENSION RATIO (SDR) - the ratio of average outside pipe diameter to minimum pipe wall thickness.

STATE ENGINEER - the director of the Utah Division of Water Rights or any employee of the Division of Water Rights designated by the state engineer to act in administering these rules.

STATIC LEVEL - stabilized water level in a non-pumped well beyond the area of influence of any pumping well.

SURETY BOND - an indemnity agreement in a sum certain and payable to the state engineer, executed by the licensee as principal and which is supported by the guarantee of a corporation authorized to transact business as a surety in the State of Utah.

SUSPENSION - A disciplinary action that may be taken by the state engineer that prohibits the well driller from engaging in the well drilling business or operating well drilling equipment as a registered operator for a definite period of time and /or until certain conditions are met.

TEST WELL - authorization granted by the state engineer to drill under a Non-production well approval for the purpose of determining characteristics of an aquifer, or the existence of a useable groundwater source. Water from a Test Well cannot be put to beneficial use.

TREMIE PIPE - a device that carries materials such as seal material, gravel pack, or formation stabilizer to a designated depth in a drill hole or annular space.

UNCONSOLIDATED FORMATION - loose, soft, incoherent rock material composed of sedimentary, igneous, or metamorphic rock which includes sand, gravel, and mixtures of sand and gravel. These formations are widely distributed and can possess good water storage and transmissivity characteristics.

UNHYDRATED BENTONITE - dry bentonite consisting primarily of granules, tablets, pellets, or chips that may be placed in a well or borehole in the dry state and hydrated in place by either formation water or by the addition of potable water into the well or borehole containing the dry bentonite. Unhydrated bentonite can be used for sealing and abandonment of wells.

VADOSE ZONE - the zone containing water under less than atmospheric pressure, including soil water, intermediate vadose water and capillary water. The zone extends from land surface to the zone of saturation or water table.

WATERTIGHT - a condition that does not allow the entrance, passage, or flow of water under normal operating conditions.

WELL - a horizontal or vertical excavation or opening into the ground made by digging, boring, drilling, jetting, augering, or driving or any other artificial method and left cased or open for utilizing or monitoring underground waters.

WELL DRILLER - any person who is licensed by the state engineer to construct water wells for compensation or otherwise. The licensed driller has total responsibility for the construction work in progress at the well drilling site.

WELL DRILLER BOND - A financial guarantee to the state engineer, in the form of a surety bond or cash bond, by which a licensed driller binds himself to pay the penal sum of $5,000 to the state engineer in the event of significant noncompliance with the Administrative Rules for Water Well Drillers.

WELL DRILLING - the act of drilling, constructing, deepening, replacing, repairing, renovating, cleaning, developing, or abandoning a well.

R655-4-3. Licenses and Registrations.

3.1 General.

3.1.1 Section 73-3-25 of the Utah Code requires every person that constructs a well in the state to obtain a license from the state engineer. Licenses and registrations are not transferable.

3.1.2 Any person found to be drilling a well without a valid well driller's license or operator's registration will be ordered to cease drilling by the state engineer. The order may be made verbally but must also be followed by a written order. The order may be posted at an unattended well drilling site. A person found drilling without a license will be subject to the state engineer's enforcement powers under Section 73-2-25 of the Utah Code (Related rules: Section R655-14 UAC) and subject to criminal prosecution under Section 73-3-26 of the Utah Code annotated, 1953.

3.2 Well Driller's License.

An applicant must meet the following requirements to become licensed as a Utah Water Well Driller:

3.2.1 Applicants must be 21 years of age or older.

3.2.2 Complete and submit the application form provided by the state engineer.

3.2.3 Pay the application fee approved by the state legislature.

3.2.4 Provide documentation of experience according to the following standards:

3.2.4.1 Water well drillers shall provide documentation of at least two (2) years of full time prior water well drilling experience with a licensed driller in good standing OR documentation of sixteen (16) wells constructed by the applicant under the supervision of a licensed well driller in good standing.

3.2.4.2 Monitor well drillers shall provide documentation of at least two (2) years of full time prior monitor well drilling experience with a licensed driller in good standing OR documentation of thirty two (32) wells constructed by the applicant under the supervision of a licensed well driller in good standing.

3.2.4.3 Heating/cooling exchange and other non-production well drillers must provide documentation of at least six (6) months of full time prior well drilling experience with a licensed driller in good standing AND documentation of sixteen (16) well drilling projects constructed by the applicant under the supervision of a licensed well driller in good standing.

3.2.4.4 A copy of the well log for each well constructed must be provided. The documentation must also show the applicant's experience with each type of drilling rig to be listed on the license. Acceptable documentation will include registration with the Division of Water Rights, letters from licensed well drillers (Utah or other states), or a water well drilling license granted by another state, etc.

3.2.4.5 Successful completion of classroom study in geology, well drilling, map reading, and other related subjects may be substituted for up to, but not exceeding, twenty five percent of the required drilling experience, and for up to, but not exceeding, twenty five percent of the required drilled wells or well drilling projects. The state engineer will determine the number of months of drilling experience and the number of drilled wells that will be credited for the classroom study.

3.2.5 File a well driller bond in the sum of $5,000 with the

Division of Water Rights payable to the state engineer. The well driller bond must be filed under the conditions and criteria described in Section 4-3.6.

3.2.6 Obtain a score of at least 70% on each of the written licensing examinations required and administered by the state engineer. The required examinations test the applicant's knowledge of:

a. The Administrative Rules for Water Well Drillers and Utah water law as it pertains to underground water;

b. The minimum construction standards established by the state engineer for water well construction;

c. Geologic formations and proper names used in describing underground material types;

d. Reading maps and locating points from descriptions based on section, township, and range;

e. Groundwater geology and the occurrence and movement of groundwater;

f. The proper operating procedures and construction methods associated with the various types of water well drilling rigs. (A separate test is required for each type of water well drilling rig to be listed on the license).

3.2.7 Demonstrate proficiency in resolving problem situations that might be encountered during the construction of a water well by passing an oral examination administered by the state engineer.

3.3 Drill Rig Operator's Registration.

An applicant must meet the following requirements to become registered as a drill rig operator:

3.3.1 Applicants must be 18 years of age or older.

3.3.2 Complete and submit the application form provided by the state engineer.

3.3.3 Pay the application fee approved by the state legislature.

3.3.4 Provide documentation of at least six (6) months of prior water well drilling experience with a licensed driller in good standing. The documentation must show the applicant's experience with each type of drilling rig to be listed on the registration. Acceptable documentation will include letters from licensed well drillers or registration as an operator in another state.

3.3.5 Obtain a score of at least 70% on a written examination of the minimum construction standards established by the state engineer for water well construction. The test will be provided to the licensed well driller by the state engineer. The licensed well driller will administer the test to the prospective operator and return it to the state engineer for scoring.

3.4 Conditional, Restricted, or Limited Licenses.

The state engineer may issue a restricted, conditional, or limited license to an applicant based on prior drilling experience.

3.5 Refusal to Issue a License or Registration.

The state engineer may, upon investigation and after a hearing, refuse to issue a license or a registration to an applicant if it appears the applicant has not had sufficient training or experience to qualify as a competent well driller or operator.

3.6 Falsified Applications.

The state engineer may, upon investigation and after a hearing, revoke a license or a registration in accordance with Section 5.6 if it is determined that the original application contained false or misleading information.

3.7 Well Driller Bond.

3.7.1 General

3.7.1.1. In order to become licensed and to continue licensure, a well driller must file a well driller bond in the form of a surety bond or cash bond, approved by the state engineer, in the sum of five thousand dollars ($5,000) with the Division of Water Rights, on a form provided by the Division, which is conditioned upon proper compliance with the law and these rules and which is effective for the licensing period in which the license is to be issued. The bond shall stipulate the obligee as the "Office of the State Engineer". The well driller bond is penal in nature and is designed to ensure compliance by the licensed well driller to protect the groundwater resource, the environment, and public health and safety. The bond may only be exacted by the state engineer for the purposes of investigating, repairing, or abandoning wells in accordance with applicable rules and standards. No other person or entity may initiate a claim against the well driller bond. Lack of a current and valid well driller bond shall be deemed sufficient grounds for denial of a driller's license. The well driller bond may consist of a surety bond or a cash bond as described below.

3.7.2 Surety Bonds.

3.7.2.1. The licensed well driller and a surety company or corporation authorized to do business in the State of Utah as surety shall bind themselves and their successors and assigns jointly and severally to the state engineer for the use and benefit of the public in full penal sum of five thousand dollars ($5,000). The surety bond shall specifically cover the licensee's compliance with the Administrative Rules for Water Well Drillers found in R655-4 of the Utah Administrative Code. Forfeiture of the surety bond shall be predicated upon a failure to drill, construct, repair, renovate, deepen, clean, develop, or abandon a regulated well in accordance with these rules (R655-4 UAC). The bond shall be made payable to the 'Utah State Engineer' upon forfeiture. The surety bond must be effective and exactable in the State of Utah.

3.7.2.2. The bond and any subsequent renewal certificate shall specifically identify the licensed individual covered by that bond. The licensee shall notify the state engineer of any change in the amount or status of the bond. The licensee shall notify the state engineer of any cancellation or change at least thirty (30) days prior to the effective date of such cancellation or change. Prior to the expiration of the 30-days notice of cancellation, the licensee shall deliver to the state engineer a replacement surety bond or transfer to a cash bond. If such a bond is not delivered, all activities covered by the license and bond shall cease at the expiration of the 30 day period. Termination shall not relieve the licensee or surety of any liability for incidences that occurred during the time the bond was in force.

3.7.2.3. Before the bond is forfeited by the licensed driller and exacted by the state engineer, the licensed driller shall have the option of resolving the noncompliance to standard either by personally doing the work or by paying to have another licensed driller do the work. If the driller chooses not to resolve the problem that resulted in noncompliance, the entire bond amount of five thousand dollars ($5,000) shall be forfeited by the surety and expended by the state engineer to investigate, repair or abandon the well(s) in accordance with the standards in R655-4 UAC. Any excess there from shall be retained by the state engineer and expended for the purpose of investigating, repairing, or abandoning wells in accordance with applicable rules and standards. All claims initiated by the state engineer against the surety bond will be made in writing.

3.7.2.4. The bond of a surety company that has failed, refused or unduly delayed to pay, in full, on a forfeited bond is not approvable.

3.7.3 Cash Bonds.

3.7.3.1. The requirements for the well driller bond may alternatively be satisfied by a cash bond in the form of a certificate of deposit (CD) for the amount of five thousand dollars ($5,000) issued by a federally insured bank or credit union with an office(s) in the State of Utah. The cash bond must be in the form of a CD. Savings accounts, checking accounts, letters of credit, etc., are not acceptable cash bonds. The CD shall specifically identify the licensed individual covered by that fund. The CD shall be automatically renewable

and fully assignable to the state engineer. CD shall state on its face that it is automatically renewable.

3.7.3.2. The cash bond shall specifically cover the licensee's compliance with well drilling rules found in R655-4 of the Utah Administrative Code. The CD shall be made payable or assigned to the state engineer and placed in the possession of the state engineer. If assigned, the state engineer shall require the bank or credit union issuing the CD to waive all rights of setoff or liens against those CD. The CD, if a negotiable instrument, shall be placed in the state engineer's possession. If the CD is not a negotiable instrument, the CD and a withdrawal receipt, endorsed by the licensee, shall be placed in the state engineer's possession.

3.7.3.3. The licensee shall submit CDs in such a manner which will allow the state engineer to liquidate the CD prior to maturity, upon forfeiture, for the full amount without penalty to the state engineer. Any interest accruing on a CD shall be for the benefit of the licensee.

3.7.3.4. The period of liability for a cash bond is five (years) after the expiration, suspension, or revocation of the license. The cash bond will be held by the state engineer until the five year period is over, then it will be relinquished to the licensed driller. In the event that a cash bond is replaced by a surety bond, the period of liability, during which time the cash bond will be held by the state engineer, shall be five (5) years from the date the new surety bond becomes effective.

3.7.4 Exacting a Well Driller Bond.

3.7.4.1. If the state engineer determines, following an investigation and a hearing in accordance with the process defined in Section 4-5, that the licensee has failed to comply with the Administrative Rules for Water Well Drillers and refused to remedy the noncompliance, the state engineer may suspend or revoke a well driller's license and fully exact the well driller bond and deposit the money as a non-lapsing dedicated credit.

3.7.4.2. The state engineer may expend the funds derived from the bond to investigate or correct any deficiencies which could adversely affect the public interest resulting from non-compliance with the Administrative Rules by any well driller.

3.7.4.3. The state engineer shall send written notification by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the licensee and the surety on the bond, if applicable, informing them of the determination to exact the well driller bond. The state engineer's decision regarding the noncompliance will be attached to the notification which will provide facts and justification for bond exaction. In the case of a surety bond exaction, the surety company will then forfeit the total bond amount to the state engineer. In the case of a cash bond, the state engineer will cash out the CD. The exacted well driller bond funds may then be used by the state engineer to cover the costs of well investigation, repair, and/or abandonment.

R655-4-4. Administrative Requirements and General Procedures.

4.1 Authorization to Drill.

The well driller shall make certain that a valid authorization or approval to drill exists before engaging in regulated well drilling activity. Authorization to drill shall consist of a valid 'start card' based on any of the approvals listed below. Items 4.1.1 through 4.1.12 allow the applicant to contract with a well driller to drill, construct, deepen, replace, repair, renovate, clean, develop, or abandon exactly one well at each location listed on the start card or approval form. The drilling of multiple borings/wells at an approved location/point of diversion is not allowed without authorization from the state engineer's office. Most start cards list the date when the authorization to drill expires. If the expiration date has passed, the start card and authorization to engage in regulated drilling activity is no longer valid. If there is no expiration date on the start card, the driller must contact the state engineer's office to determine if the authorization to drill is still valid. When the work is completed, the permission to drill is terminated.

4.1.1 An approved application to appropriate.

4.1.2 A provisional well approval letter.

An approved provisional well letter grants authority to drill but allows only enough water to be diverted to determine the characteristics of an aquifer or the existence of a useable groundwater source.

4.1.3 An approved permanent change application.

4.1.4 An approved exchange application.

4.1.5 An approved temporary change application.

4.1.6 An approved application to renovate or deepen an existing well.

4.1.7 An approved application to replace an existing well.

4.1.8 An approved monitor well letter.

An approved monitor well letter grants authority to drill but allows only enough water to be diverted to monitor groundwater.

4.1.9 An approved heat exchange well letter.

4.1.10 An approved cathodic protection well letter.

4.1.11 An approved non-production well construction application.

4.1.12 Any letter or document from the state engineer directing or authorizing a well to be drilled or work to be done on a well.

4.2 Start Cards.

4.2.1 Prior to commencing any work (other than abandonment, see 4.2.4) on any well governed by these administrative rules, the driller must notify the state engineer of that intention by transmitting the information on the "Start Card" to the state engineer by telephone, by facsimile (FAX), by hand delivery, or by e-mail. A completed original Start Card must be sent to the state engineer by the driller after it has been telephoned or E-mailed.

4.2.2 A specific Start Card is printed for each well drilling approval and is furnished by the state engineer to the applicant or the well owner. The start card is preprinted with the water right or non-production well number, owner name/address, and the approved location of the well. The state engineer marks the approved well drilling activity on the card. The driller must put the following information on the card:

a. The date on which work on the well will commence;
b. The projected completion date of the work;
c. The well driller's license number;
d. The well driller's signature.

4.2.3 When a single authorization is given to drill wells at more than one point of diversion, a start card shall be submitted for each location to be drilled.

4.2.4 Following the submittal of a start card, if the actual start date of the drilling activity is postponed beyond the date identified on the start card, the licensed driller must notify the state engineer of the new start date.

4.2.5 A start card is not required to abandon a well. However, prior to commencing well abandonment work, the driller is required to notify the state engineer by telephone, by facsimile, or by e-mail of the proposed abandonment work. The notice must include the location of the well. The notice should also include the water right or non-production well number associated with the well and the well owner if that information is available.

4.3 General Requirements During Construction.

4.3.1 The well driller shall have the required penal bond continually in effect during the term of the well driller's license.

4.3.2 The well driller's license number or the well driller's company name exactly as shown on the well drilling license must be prominently displayed on each well drilling rig operated under the well driller's license. If the well driller's company name is changed the well driller must immediately inform the

state engineer of the change in writing.

4.3.3 A licensed well driller or a registered operator must be at the well site whenever the following aspects of well construction are in process: advancing the borehole, setting casing and screen, placing a filter pack, constructing a surface seal, or similar activities involved in well deepening, renovation, repair, cleaning, developing, or abandoning. All registered operators working under a well driller's license must be employees of the well driller and must use equipment either owned by or leased by the licensed well driller.

4.3.4 A registered operator who is left in responsible charge of advancing the borehole, setting casing and screen, placing a filter pack, constructing a surface seal, or similar activities involved in well deepening, renovation, repair, cleaning, developing, or abandoning must have a working knowledge of the minimum construction standards and the proper operation of the drilling rig. The licensed well driller is responsible to ensure that a registered operator is adequately trained to meet these requirements.

4.3.5 State engineer provisions for issuing cease and desist orders (Red Tags)

4.3.5.1 Construction Standards: The state engineer or staff of the Division of Water Rights may order that regulated work on a well cease if a field inspection reveals that the construction does not meet the minimum construction standards to the extent that the public interest might be adversely affected.

4.3.5.2 Licensed Drilling Method: A cease work order may also be issued if the well driller is not licensed for the drilling method being used for the well construction.

4.3.5.3 Incompetent Registered Operator: If, during a field inspection by the staff of the Division of Water Rights, it is determined that a registered operator in responsible charge does not meet these requirements, a state engineer's red tag (see Section 4.3.5) will be placed on the drilling rig and the drilling operation will be ordered to shut down. The order to cease work will remain effective until a qualified person is available to perform the work.

4.3.5.4 No licensed driller or registered operator on site: If, during a field inspection by the staff of the Division of Water Rights, it is determined that neither a licensed driller or registered operator are one site when regulated drilling activity is occurring, the state engineer may order regulated well drilling work to cease.

4.3.5.5 General: The state engineer's order will be in the form of a red tag which will be attached to the drilling rig. A letter from the state engineer will be sent to the licensed driller to explain the sections of the administrative rules which were violated. The letter will also explain the requirements that must be met before the order can be lifted.

4.3.6 When required by the state engineer, the well driller or registered operator shall take lithologic samples at the specified intervals and submit them in the bags provided by the state engineer.

4.3.7 A copy of the current Administrative Rules for Water Well Drillers should be available at each well construction site for review by the construction personnel. Licensed well drillers and registered operators must have proof of licensure or registration with them on site during regulated drilling activity.

4.3.8 Prior to starting construction of a new well, the licensed driller shall investigate and become familiar with the drilling conditions, geology of potential aquifers and overlying materials, anticipated water quality problems, and know contaminated water bearing zones that may be encountered in the area of the proposed drilling activity.

4.4 Removing Drill Rig From Well Site.

4.4.1 A well driller shall not remove his drill rig from a well site unless the well drilling activity is properly completed or abandoned in accordance with the construction standards in Sections 9 thru 12.

4.4.2 For the purposes of these rules, the regulated work on a well will be considered completed when the well driller removes his drilling rig from the well site.

4.4.3 The well driller may request a variance from the state engineer to remove a drill rig from a well prior to completion or abandonment. This request must be in written form to the state engineer. The written request must provide justification for leaving the well incomplete or un-abandoned and indicate how the well will be temporarily abandoned as provided in Section R655-4-12 and must give the date when the well driller plans to continue work to either complete the well or permanently abandon it.

4.5 Official Well Driller's Report (Well Log).

4.5.1 Within 30 days of the completion of regulated work on any well, the driller shall file an official well driller's report (well log) with the state engineer. The blank well log form will be mailed to the licensed well driller upon receipt of the information on the Start Card as described in Subsection 4.2.

4.5.2 The water right number or non-production well number, owner name/address, and the approved location of the well will be preprinted on the blank well log provided to the well driller. The driller is required to verify this information and make any necessary changes on the well log prior to submittal. The state engineer will mark the approved activity (e.g., new, replace, repair, deepen) on the well log. The driller must provide the following information on the well log:

a. The start and completion date of work on the well;

b. The nature of use for the well (e.g., domestic, irrigation, stock watering, commercial, municipal, provisional, monitor, cathodic protection, heat pump, etc.;

c. The borehole diameter, depth interval, drilling method and drilling fluids utilized to drill the well;

d. The lithologic log of the well based on strata samples taken from the borehole as drilling progresses;

e. Static water level information to include date of measurement, static level, measurement method, reference point, artesian flow and pressure, and water temperature;

f. The size, type, description, joint type, and depth intervals of casing, screen, and perforations;

g. A description of the filter pack, surface and interval seal material, and packers used in the well along with necessary related information such as the depth interval, quantity, and mix ratio;

h. A description of the finished wellhead configuration;

i. The date and method of well development;

j. The date, method, yield, drawdown, and elapsed time of a well yield test;

k. A description of pumping equipment (if available);

l. Other comments pertinent to the well activity completed;

m. The well driller's statement to include the driller name, license number, signature, and date.

4.5.3 Accuracy and completeness of the submitted well log are required. Of particular importance is the lithologic section which should accurately reflect the geologic strata penetrated during the drilling process. Sample identification must be logged in the field as the borehole advances and the information transferred to the well log form for submission to the state engineer.

4.5.4 An amended well log shall be submitted by the licensed driller if it becomes known that the original report contained inaccurate or incorrect information, or if the original report requires supplemental data or information. Any amended well log must be accompanied by a written statement, signed and dated by the licensed well driller, attesting to the circumstances and the reasons for submitting the amended well log.

4.6 Official Well Abandonment Reports (Abandonment Logs).

4.6.1 Whenever a well driller is contracted to replace an

existing well under state engineer's approval, it shall be the responsibility of the well driller to inform the well owner that it is required by law to permanently abandon the old well in accordance with the provisions of Section R655-4-12.

4.6.2 Within 30 days of the completion of abandonment work on any well, the driller shall file an abandonment log with the state engineer. The blank abandonment log will be mailed to the licensed well driller upon notice to the state engineer of commencement of abandonment work as described in Subsection R655-4-4(4.2.4).

4.6.3 The water right number or non-production well number, owner name/address, and the well location (if available) will be preprinted on the blank abandonment log provided to the well driller. The driller is required to verify this information and make any necessary changes on the abandonment log prior to submitting the log. The driller must provide the following information on the abandonment log:

a. Existing well construction information;

b. Date of abandonment;

c. Reason for abandonment;

d. A description of the abandonment method;

e. A description of the abandonment materials including depth intervals, material type, quantity, and mix ratio;

f. Replacement well information (if applicable);

g. The well driller's statement to include the driller name, license number, signature, and date.

4.6.4 When a well is replaced and the well owner will not allow the driller to abandon the existing well, the driller must briefly explain the situation on the abandonment form and submit the form to the state engineer within 30 days of completion of the replacement well.

4.7 Incomplete or Incorrectly Completed Reports.

An incomplete well/abandonment log or a well/abandonment log that has not been completed correctly will be returned to the licensed well driller to be completed or corrected. The well log will not be considered filed with the state engineer until it is complete and correct.

4.8 Extensions of Time.

The well driller may request an extension of time for filing the well log if there are circumstances which prevent the driller from obtaining the necessary information before the expiration of the 30 days. The extension request must be submitted in writing before the end of the 30-day period.

4.9 Late Well Logs - Lapsed License

All outstanding well logs or abandonment logs shall be properly submitted to the state engineer prior to the lapsing of a license. A person with a lapsed license who has failed to submit all well/abandonment logs within 90 days of lapsing will be subject to the state engineer's enforcement powers under Section 73-2-25 of the Utah Code (Related rules: Section R655-14 UAC)

R655-4-5. Well Driller Disciplinary Procedures.

5.1 Well driller disciplinary procedures will be conducted informally and are governed by Sections 63G-4-202 (Designation of Adjudicative Proceedings as Informal) and 63G-4-203 (Procedures for Informal Adjudicative Proceedings) of the Utah Code and by Section R655-6 (Administrative Procedures for Informal Proceedings Before the Division of Water Rights) of the Utah Administrative Code.

5.2 List of Infractions and Points.

Licensed well drillers who commit the infractions listed below in Table 1 shall have assessed against their well drilling record the number of points assigned to the infraction.

TABLE 1

Level I Infractions of Administrative Requirements

	Points
Well log submitted late	10
Well abandonment report submitted late	10
Well driller license or well driller name not clearly posted on well drilling rig	10
Failing to notify the state engineer of a change in the well driller's company name	10
Failure to properly notify the state engineer before the proposed start date shown on the start card	20
Failure to notify the state engineer of a change of start date	50
Constructing a replacement well further than 150 ft from the original well without the authorization of an approved change application	50
Failure to drill at the state engineer approved location as identified on the start card	50
Removing the well drilling rig from the well site before completing the well or temporarily or permanently abandoning the well	50

TABLE 2

Level II Infractions of Administrative Requirements

	Points
Employing an operator who is not registered with the state	75
Contracting out work to an unlicensed driller (using the unlicensed driller's rig) without prior written approval from the state	75
Performing any well drilling activity without valid authorization (except in emergency situations)	100
Intentionally making a material misstatement of fact in an official well driller's report or amended official well driller's report (well log)	100

TABLE 3

Level III Infractions of Construction Standards / Conditions

	Points
Approvals	
Using a method of drilling not listed on the well driller's license	30
Failing to comply with any conditions included on the well approval such as minimum or maximum depths, specified locations of perforations, etc.	50
Performing any well construction activity in violation of a red tag cease work order	100
Casing	
Failure to extend well casing at least 18" above ground	30
Failure to install a protective casing around a PVC well at the surface	50
Using improper casing joints	100
Using or attempting to use sub-standard well casing	100
Surface Seals	
Using improper products or procedures to install a surface seal	100
Failure to seal off artesian flow on the outside of casing	100
Failure to install surface seal to adequate depth based on formation type	100
Failure to install interval seals to eliminate aquifer commingling or cross contamination	100
Well Abandonment	
Using improper procedures to abandon a well	100
Using improper products to abandon a well	100

Construction Fluids	
Using water of unacceptable quality in the well drilling operation	40
Using an unacceptable mud pit	40
Failure to use treated or disinfected water for drilling processes	40
Using improper circulation materials or drilling chemicals	100
Filter Packs	
Failure to disinfect filter pack	40
Failure to install filter pack properly	75
Well Completion	
Failure to make well accessible to water level or pressure head measurements	30
Failure to install casing annular seals, cap, and valving, and to control artesian flow	30
Failure to disinfect a well upon completion of well drilling activity	40
Failure to install a pitless adapter according to standard	75
Failure to develop and test a well according to standard	75
General	
Failure to securely cover an unattended well during construction	30
Failure to engage in well drilling activity in accordance with accepted industry practices	100

5.3 When Points Are Assessed.

Points will be assessed against a driller's record upon verification by the state engineer that an infraction has occurred. Points will be assessed at the time the state engineer becomes aware of the infraction regardless of when the infraction occurred.

5.4 Appeal of Infractions.

Well drillers may appeal each infraction in writing within 30 days of written notification by the state engineer.

5.5 Warning Letter.

When the number of points assessed against the well driller's record equals seventy-five (75) points, a warning letter will be sent to the well driller. The letter will notify the driller that if he continues to violate the administrative requirements or minimum construction standards contained in the Administrative Rules for Water Well Drillers, a hearing will be held to determine if his license should be suspended or revoked or the bond exacted. The letter will also describe the options available to the driller to delete points from the record as described in Subsection R655-4-5.7. A copy of the driller's infraction record will be included with the letter. In the event numerous points are assessed against the well drillers record so that the total surpasses seventy-five (75) and one hundred (100) points at the same time, no warning letter will be sent.

5.6 Well Driller Hearings.

5.6.1 When the number of points assessed against the well driller's record equals 100, a Notice of Agency Action (NAA) will be sent to the well driller. The NAA will set forth the alleged facts, provide an opportunity for a response from the well driller, and provide notice of the hearing scheduled to consider the issues. The hearing will be scheduled at least 10 days from the date the NAA is mailed. The NAA will indicate the date, time, and place of the hearing.

5.6.2 A NAA may also be sent and a hearing may also be convened as a result of a complaint filed by a well owner regardless of the total number of points shown on the well driller's record.

5.6.3 A NAA may be sent and a hearing may be convened if there is evidence that a license or registration application submitted to the state engineer contains intentionally false or misleading information.

5.6.4 The purpose of the hearing will be to determine if disciplinary action is necessary regarding the water well driller's Utah Water Well License. The hearing will be recorded. At the hearing, testimony will be taken under oath regarding the alleged facts included in the NAA. Those providing testimony may include the water well driller, the well owner, Division of Water Rights staff, and others as deemed necessary. Evidence that is pertinent to the alleged facts may also be presented at the hearing. After considering the testimony and the evidence presented at the hearing, the State Engineer may determine either that there is no cause for action against the well driller's license or that disciplinary action is necessary.

5.7 Administrative Penalties.

Administrative penalties ordered against a licensed driller by the state engineer following a hearing can include probation, administrative fines, license suspension, and license revocation. Administrative penalties are ordered based on the severity of the infraction (Level I, II, III from Table 1 of Section 5.1) as well as the recurrence of an infraction.

5.7.1 Level I Administrative Penalties: Level I administrative penalties will be levied against Level I administrative infractions (see Table 1 of Section 5.1). The Level I administrative penalty structure is as follows:

5.7.1.1 At the first conviction of Level I infractions, the disciplinary action for the infractions shall be probation.

5.7.1.2 Second conviction shall result in probation and a fine at a rate of $2.50 per infraction point.

5.7.1.3 Third conviction shall result in probation and an elevated fine at a rate of $5.00 per infraction point.

5.7.1.4 Fourth conviction shall result in an elevated fine at a rate of $10.00 per infraction point and possible suspension.

5.7.1.5 Continued and repeated convictions beyond the fourth conviction may result in an elevated fine at a rate of $10.00 per infraction point and possible suspension or revocation.

5.7.1.6 Fines for late well logs and abandonment logs shall be calculated separately and added to fines calculated for other infractions. For late well log infractions, the points associated with each infraction will be multiplied by a factor based on the lateness of the well log. The infraction point multipliers are as follows:

TABLE 4

Tardiness of the log	Infraction Point Multiplier
1-2 weeks	0.50
2-4 weeks	1.00
1-3 months	1.50
3-6 months	2.00
6-9 months	2.50
9-12 months	3.00
Over 12 months	4.00

5.7.2 Level II Administrative Penalties: Level II administrative penalties will be levied against Level II administrative infractions (see Table 2 of Section 5.1). The Level II administrative penalty structure is as follows:

5.7.2.1 At the first conviction of Level II infractions, the disciplinary action shall result in probation and a fine at a rate of $2.50 per infraction point.

5.7.2.2 Second conviction shall result in probation and an elevated fine at a rate of $5.00 per infraction point.

5.7.2.3 Third conviction shall result in possible suspension and an elevated fine at a rate of $10.00 per infraction point.

5.7.2.4 Continued and repeated convictions beyond the fourth conviction may result in an elevated fine at a rate of $10.00 per infraction point and possible suspension or revocation.

5.7.3 Level III Administrative Penalties: Level III administrative penalties will be levied against Level III construction infractions (see Table 3 of Section 5.1). The Level III administrative penalty structure is as follows:

5.7.3.1 At the first conviction of Level III infractions, the disciplinary action shall result in probation and a fine at a rate of $5.00 per infraction point.

5.7.3.2 Second conviction shall result in possible suspension and an elevated fine at a rate of $10.00 per infraction point.

5.7.3.3 Third conviction may result in an elevated fine at a rate of $10.00 per infraction point and possible suspension or revocation.

5.7.4 Administrative Penalties - General

5.7.4.1 Penalties will only be imposed as a result of a well driller hearing.

5.7.4.2 Failure to pay a fine within 30 days from the date it is assessed will result in the suspension of the well driller license until the fine is paid.

5.7.4.3 Fines shall be deposited as a dedicated credit. The state engineer shall expend the money retained from fines for expenses related to well drilling activity inspection, well drilling enforcement, and well driller education.

5.7.5 Probation: As described above in Sections 5.7.1, 5.7.2, and 5.7.3, probation will generally be the disciplinary action imposed in situations where the facts established through testimony and evidence describe first time infractions of the administrative rules that are limited in number and less serious in their impact on the well owner and on the health of the aquifer. The probation period will generally last until the number of infraction points on the well driller's record is reduced below 70 through any of the options described in Subsection 4-5.8.

5.7.6 Suspension: Suspension will generally be the disciplinary action imposed in situations where the facts established through testimony and evidence describe repeated convictions of the administrative rules, or infractions that a pose serious threat to the health of the aquifer, or a well driller's apparent disregard for the administrative rules or the state's efforts to regulate water well drilling. Depending upon the number and severity of the rule infractions as described above in Sections 5.7.1, 5.7.2, and 5.7.3, the state engineer may elect to suspend a well driller license for a certain period of time and/or until certain conditions have been met by the well driller. In establishing the length of the suspension, the state engineer will generally follow the guideline that three infraction points is the equivalent of one day of suspension. A well driller whose license has been suspended will be prohibited from engaging in regulated well drilling activity. License suspension may also result in the exaction of the Well Driller Bond as set forth in Subsection 4-3.7.4. A well driller whose license has been suspended is allowed to work as a registered operator under the direct, continuous supervision of a licensed well driller. If the suspension period extends beyond the expiration date of the water well driller license, the water well driller may not apply to renew the license until the suspension period has run and any conditions have been met. Once the suspension period has run and once all conditions have been met by the well driller, the suspension will be lifted and the driller will be notified that he/she may again engage in the well drilling business. The well driller will then be placed on probation until the number of infraction points on the well driller's record is reduced below 70 through any of the options described in Subsection 4-5.8.

5.7.7 Revocation: Revocation will generally be the disciplinary action imposed in situations where the facts established through testimony and evidence describe repeated convictions of the administrative rules for which the well driller's Utah Water Well License has previously been suspended. Revocation will also be the disciplinary action taken if after a hearing the facts establish that a driller knowingly provided false or misleading information on a driller license application. A well driller whose license has been revoked will be prohibited from engaging in regulated well drilling activity. License revocation may also result in the exaction of the Well Driller Bond as set forth in Subsection 4-3.7.4. A well driller whose license has been revoked is allowed to work as a registered operator under the direct, continuous supervision of a licensed well driller. A well driller whose water well license has been revoked may not make application for a new water well license for a period of two years from the date of revocation. After the revocation period has run, a well driller may make application for a new license as provided in Section R655-4-3. However, the well drilling experience required must be based on new experience obtained since the license was revoked.

5.8 Deleting Point from the Driller Record.

Points assessed against a well driller's record will remain on the record unless deleted through any of the following options:

5.8.1 Points will be deleted three years after the date when the infraction is noted by the state engineer and the points are assessed against the driller's record.

5.8.2 One half the points on the record will be deleted if the well driller is free of infractions for an entire year.

5.8.3 Thirty (30) points will be deleted for obtaining six (6) hours of approved continuing education credits in addition to the credits required to renew the water well driller's license. A driller may exercise this option only once each year.

5.8.4 Twenty (20) points will be deleted for taking and passing (with a minimum score of 70%) the test covering the administrative requirements and the minimum construction standards. A driller may exercise this option only every other year.

5.9 Lack of Knowledge Not an Excuse.

Lack of knowledge of the law or the administrative requirements and minimum construction standards related to well drilling shall not constitute an excuse for violation thereof.

R655-4-6. Renewal of Well Driller's License and Operator's Registration.

6.1 Well Driller's Licenses.

6.1.1 Water well driller licenses shall expire and be renewed according to the following provisions:

a. The licenses of well drillers whose last name begins with A thru L shall expire at 12 midnight on June 30 of odd numbered years.

b. The licenses of well drillers whose last name begins with M thru Z shall expire at 12 midnight on June 30 of even numbered years.

c. Drillers who meet the renewal requirements set forth in Subsection R655-4-6(6.1.2) on or before the expiration deadlines set forth in Subsection R655-4-6(6.1.1) shall be authorized to operate as a licensed well driller until the new license is issued.

d. Drillers must renew their licenses within 24 months of the license expiration date. Drillers failing to renew within 24 months of the license expiration date must re-apply for a well driller's license, meet all the application requirements of Subsection R655-4-3(3.2), and provide documentation of 12 hours of continuing education according to the requirements of R655-4-6 (6.2) obtained within the previous 24 months.

6.1.2 Applications to renew a well driller's license must include the following items:

a. Payment of the license renewal fee determined and approved by the legislature;

b. Written application to the state engineer;

c. Documentation of continuing well driller bond coverage in the amount of five thousand dollars ($5,000) penal bond for the next licensing period calendar year. The form and conditions of well driller bond shall be as set forth in Section 4.3. Allowable documentation can include bond continuation certificates and CD statements;

d. Proper submission of all start cards, official well driller reports (well logs), and well abandonment reports for the current licensing period;

e. Documentation of compliance with the continuing education requirements described in Section 6.2.1. Acceptable documentation of attendance at approved courses must include the following information: the name of the course, the date it was conducted, the number of approved credits, the name and signature of the instructor and the driller's name; for example, certificates of completion, transcripts, attendance rosters, diplomas, etc. (Note: drillers are advised that the state engineer will not keep track of the continuing education courses each driller attends during the year. Drillers are responsible to acquire and then submit documentation with the renewal application.)

6.1.3 License renewal applications that do not meet the requirements of Subsection R655-5-6(6.1.2) by June 30 of the expiration year or which are received after June 30 of the expiration year, will be assessed an additional administrative late fee determined and approved by the legislature.

6.1.4 The state engineer may renew a license on a restricted, conditional, or limited basis according to the driller's performance and compliance with established rules and construction standards. The state engineer my refuse to renew a license to a well driller if it appears that there has been a violation of these rules or a failure to comply with Section 73-3-25 of the Utah Code.

6.2 Continuing Education.

6.2.1 During each license period, licensed well drillers are required to earn at least twelve (12) continuing education credits by attending training sessions sponsored or sanctioned by the state engineer. Drillers who do not renew their licenses, but who intend to renew within the following 24 month period allowed in Section 6.1.1, are also required to earn twelve (12) continuing education credits.

6.2.2 The state engineer shall establish a committee consisting of the state engineer or a representative, no more than four licensed well drillers, a ground water scientist, and a manufacturer/supplier of well drilling products. The committee will develop criteria for the training courses, approve the courses which can offer continuing education credits, and assign the number of credits to each course. The committee will make recommendations to the state engineer concerning appeals from training course sponsors and well drillers related to earning continuing education credit.

6.2.3 The committee established in Section 6.2.2 shall assign the number of continuing education credits to each proposed training session based on the instructor's qualifications, a written outline of the subjects to be covered, and written objectives for the session. Well drillers wishing continuing education credit for other training sessions shall provide the committee with all information it needs to assign continuing education requirements.

6.2.4 Licensed drillers must complete a State Engineer-sponsored "Administrative Rules for Well Drillers" review course or other approved rules review once every four (4) years.

6.2.5 CE credits cannot be carried over from one licensing period to another.

6.3 Drill Rig Operator's Registration.

6.3.1 All operator's registrations shall expire at the same time as the license of the well driller by whom they are employed. Operators who meet the renewal requirements set forth in Subsection R655-4-6(6.3.2) on or before 12 midnight June 30 of the expiration year shall be authorized to act as a registered operator until the new registration is issued. Operators must renew their registrations within 24 months of the registration expiration date. Operators failing to renew within 24 months of the registration expiration date must re-apply for an operator's registration and meet all the application requirements of Subsection R655-4-3(3.3).

6.3.2 Applications to renew an operator's registration must include the following items:

a. Payment of the registration renewal fee determined and approved by the legislature;

b. Written application to the state engineer.

6.3.3 Registration renewal applications that do not meet the requirements of Subsection R655-4-6(6.3.2) by the June 30 expiration date or that are received after the June 30 expiration date will be assessed an additional administrative late fee determined and approved by the legislature.

R655-4-7. The Approval Process for Non-Production Wells.

7.1 General.

Regulated non-production wells such as cathodic protection wells, heating or cooling exchange wells, and monitor wells drilled and constructed to a depth greater than 30 feet below natural ground surface require approval from the state engineer.

7.2 Approval to Construct or Replace.

Approval to construct or replace non-production wells is issued by the state engineer's regional offices following review of written requests from the owner or applicant, federal or state agency or engineering representative. The requests for approval shall be made on forms provided by the state engineer entitled "Request for Non-Production Well Construction". The following information must be included on the form:

a. General location or common description of the project.

b. Specific course and distance locations from established government surveyed outside section corners or quarter corners.

c. Total anticipated number of wells to be installed.

d. Diameters, approximate depths and materials used in the wells.

e. Projected start and completion dates.

f. Name and license number of the driller contracted to install the wells.

There is no fee required to request approval to drill a non-production wells. Upon written approval by the state engineer, the project will be assigned an approved non-production well number which will be referenced on all start cards and official well driller's reports.

R655-4-8. General Requirements.

8.1 Standards.

8.1.1 In some locations, the compliance with the following minimum standards will not result in a well being free from pollution or from being a source of subsurface leakage, waste, or contamination of the groundwater resource. Since it is impractical to attempt to prepare standards for every conceivable situation, the well driller shall judge when to construct wells under more stringent standards when such precautions are necessary to protect the groundwater supply and those using the well in question. Other state and local regulations pertaining to well drilling and construction, groundwater protection, and water quality regulations may exist that are either more stringent than these rules or that specifically apply to a given situation. It is the well driller's responsibility to understand and apply other regulations as applicable.

8.2 Well Site Locations.

8.2.1 Well site locations are described by course and distance from outside section corners or quarter corners (based on a Section/Township/Range Cadastral System) and by the Universal Transverse Mercator (UTM) coordinate system on all state engineer authorizations to drill (Start Cards). However, the licensee should also be familiar with local zoning ordinances, or county boards of health requirements which may limit or restrict the actual well location and construction in relationship to property/structure boundaries and existing or proposed concentrated sources of pollution or contamination such as septic tanks, drain fields, sewer lines, stock corrals, feed lots, etc. The licensee should also be familiar with the Utah Underground Facilities Act (Title 54, Chapter 8a of the Utah

Code Annotated 1953 as amended) which requires subsurface excavators (including well drilling) to notify operators of underground utilities prior to any subsurface excavation. Information on this requirement can be found by calling (800)662-4111.

8.2.2 Regulated wells shall be drilled at the approved location as defined on the valid start card. The driller shall check the drilling location to see if it matches the state-approved location listed on the Driller's Start Card.

8.3 Unusual Conditions.

8.3.1 If unusual conditions occur at a well site and compliance with these rules and standards will not result in a satisfactory well or protection to the groundwater supply, a licensed water well driller shall request that special standards be prescribed for a particular well. The request for special standards shall be in writing and shall set forth the location of the well, the name of the owner, the unusual conditions existing at the well site, the reasons that compliance with the rules and minimum standards will not result in a satisfactory well, and the proposed standards that the licensed water well driller believes will be more adequate for this particular well. If the state engineer finds that the proposed changes are in the best interest of the public, he will approve the proposed changes by assigning special standards for the particular well under consideration.

R655-4-9. Well Drilling and Construction Requirements.

9.0 General.

9.0.1 Figures 1 through 5 are used to illustrate typical well construction standards, and can be viewed in the State of Utah Water Well Handbook available at the Division of Water Rights, 1594 West North Temple, Salt Lake City, Utah. Figure 1 illustrates the typical construction of a drilled well with driven casing such as a well drilled using the cable tool method or air rotary with a drill-through casing driver. Figure 2 illustrates the typical construction of a well drilled with an oversized borehole and/or gravel packed without the use of surface casing. Figure 3 illustrates the typical construction of a well drilled with an oversized borehole and/or gravel packed with the use of surface casing. Figure 4 illustrates the typical construction of a well drilled with an oversized borehole and/or gravel packed completed in stratified formations in which poor formation material or poor quality water is encountered. Figure 5 illustrates the typical construction of a well completed with PVC or nonmetallic casing.

9.1 Approved Products, Materials, and Procedures.

9.1.1 Any product, material or procedure designed for use in the drilling, construction, cleaning, renovation, development or abandonment of water or monitor wells, which has received certification and approval for its intended use by the National Sanitation Foundation (NSF) under ANSI/NSF Standard 60 or 61, the American Society for Testing Materials (ASTM), the American Water Works Association (AWWA) or the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) may be utilized. Other products, materials or procedures may also be utilized for their intended purpose upon manufacturers certification that they meet or exceed the standards or certifications referred to in this section and upon state engineer approval.

9.2 Well Casing - General

9.2.1 Drillers Responsibility. It shall be the sole responsibility of the well driller to determine the suitability of any type of well casing for the particular well being constructed, in accordance with these minimum requirements.

9.2.2 Casing Stick-up. The well casing shall extend a minimum of 18 inches above finished ground level and the natural ground surface should slope away from the casing. A secure sanitary, weatherproof seal or a completely welded cap shall be placed on the top of the well casing to prevent contamination of the well. If a vent is placed in the cap, it shall be properly screened to prevent access to the well by debris, insects, or other animals.

9.2.3 Steel Casing. All steel casing installed in Utah shall be in new or like-new condition, being free from pits or breaks, clean with all potentially dangerous chemicals or coatings removed, and shall meet the minimum specifications listed in Table 5 of these rules. In order to utilize steel well casing that does not fall within the categories specified in Table 5, the driller shall receive written approval from the state engineer. All steel casing installed in Utah shall meet or exceed the minimum ASTM, ANSI, or AWWA standards for steel pipe as described in Subsection 9.1 unless otherwise approved by the state engineer. Applicable standards (most recent revisions) may include:

ANSI/AWWA A100-AWWA Standard for Water Wells.

ANSI/ASTM A53-Standard Specifications for Pipe, Steel, Black and Hot-Dipped, Zinc-Coated, Welded and Seamless.

ANSI/ASTM A139-Standard Specification for Electric-Fusion (Arc)-Welded Steel Pipe (NPS 4 and over).

ANSI/AWWA C200-Standard for Steel Water Pipe-6 in. and Larger.

API Spec.5L-Specification for Liner Pipe.

ASTM A106-Standard Specification for Seamless Carbon Steel Pipe for High Temperature Service

ASTM A778-Standard Specifications for Welded, Unannealed Austenitic Stainless Steel Tubular Products.

ASTM A252-Standard Specification for Welded and Seamless Steel Pipe Piles.

ASTM A312-Standard Specification for Seamless, Welded, and Heavily Cold Worked Austenitic Stainless Steel Pipes

TABLE 5
MINIMUM WALL THICKNESS FOR STEEL WELL CASING

Depth Nominal Casing Diameter	0 to 200 (ft)	200 to 300 (ft)	300 to 400 (ft)	400 to 600 (ft)	600 to 800 (ft)	800 to 1000 (ft)	1000 to 1500 (ft)	1500 to 2000 (ft)
2	.154	.154	.154	.154	.154	.154		
3	.216	.216	.216	.216	.216	.216		
4	.237	.237	.237	.237	.237	.237	.237	.237
5	.250	.250	.250	.250	.250	.250	.250	.250
6	.250	.250	.250	.250	.250	.250	.250	.250
8	.250	.250	.250	.250	.250	.250	.250	.250
10	.250	.250	.250	.250	.250	.250	.312	.312
12	.250	.250	.250	.250	.250	.250	.312	.312
14	.250	.250	.250	.250	.312	.312	.312	.312
16	.250	.250	.312	.312	.312	.312	.375	.375
18	.250	.312	.312	.312	.375	.375	.375	.438
20	.250	.312	.312	.312	.375	.375	.375	.438
22	.312	.312	.312	.375	.375	.375	.375	.438
24	.312	.312	.375	.375	.375	.438		
30	.312	.375	.375	.438	.438	.500		

Note: Minimum wall thickness is in inches.

9.2.4 Plastic and Other Non-metallic Casing.

9.2.4.1 Materials. PVC, SR, ABS, or other types of non-metallic well casing and screen may be installed in Utah upon obtaining permission of the well owner. Plastic well casing and screen shall be manufactured and installed to conform with The American National Standards Institute (ANSI) or the American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) Standard F 480-95, which are incorporated by reference to these rules. Casing and screen meeting this standard is normally marked "WELL CASING" and with the ANSI/ASTM designation "F 480-95, SDR-17 (or 13.5, 21, etc.)". All plastic casing and screen for use in potable water supplies shall be manufactured to be acceptable to the American National Standards Institute/National Sanitation Foundation (NSF) standard 61. Other types of plastic casings and screens may be installed upon manufacturers certification that such casing meets or exceeds the above described ASTM/SDR specification or ANSI/NSF approval and upon state engineer approval.

9.2.4.2 Minimum Wall Thickness and Depth Requirements. PVC well casing and screen with an outside

diameter equal to or less than four and one half (4.5) inches shall meet the minimum wall thickness required under ASTM Standard F480-95 SDR 21 or a Schedule 40 designation. PVC well casing and screen with an outside diameter greater than four and one half (4.5) inches shall meet the minimum wall thickness required under ASTM Standard F480-95 SDR 17 or a Schedule 80 designation. Additionally, caution should be used whenever other than factory slots or perforations are added to PVC well casing. The installation of hand cut slots or perforations significantly reduces the collapse strength tolerances of unaltered casings. The depth at which plastic casing and screen is placed in a well shall conform to the minimum requirements and restrictions as outlined in ASTM Standard F-480-95.

9.2.4.3 Fiberglass Casing. Fiberglass reinforced plastic well casings and screens may be installed in wells upon obtaining permission of the well owner. All fiberglass casing or screens installed in wells for use in potable water supplies shall be manufactured to be acceptable by ANSI/NSF Standard 61 and upon state engineer approval.

9.2.4.4 Driving Non-metallic Casing. Non-metallic casing shall not be driven or dropped and may only be installed in an oversized borehole.

9.2.4.5 Protective Casing. If plastic or other non-metallic casing is utilized, the driller shall install a protective steel casing which complies with the provisions of Subsection 9.2.3 or an equivalent protective covering approved by the state engineer over and around the well casing at ground surface to a depth of at least two and one half (2.5) feet. If a pitless adapter is installed on the well, the bottom of the protective cover shall be placed above the pitless adapter/well connection. If the pitless adapter is placed in the protective casing, the protective casing shall extend below the pitless entrance in the well casing and be sealed both on the outside of the protective casing and between the protective casing and well casing. The protective cover shall be sealed in the borehole in accordance with the requirements of Subsection 9.4. The annular space between the protective cover and non-metallic casing shall also be sealed with acceptable materials in accordance with Subsection 9.4. A sanitary, weather-tight seal or a completely welded cap shall be placed on top of the protective cover, thus enclosing the well itself. If the sanitary seal is vented, screens shall be placed in the vent to prevent debris insects, and other animals from entering the well. This protective casing requirement does not apply to monitor wells. Figure 5 depicts this requirement.

9.3 Casing Joints.

9.3.1 General. All well casing joints shall be made water tight. In instances in which a reduction in casing diameter is made, there shall be enough overlap of the casings to prevent misalignment and to insure the making of an adequate seal in the annular space between casings to prevent the movement of unstable sediment or formation material into the well, in addition to preventing the degradation of the water supply by the migration of inferior quality water through the annular space between the two casings.

9.3.2 Steel Casing. All steel casing shall be screw-coupled or welded. If the joints are welded, the weld shall be at least as thick as the wall thickness of the casing and shall consist of at least two beads for the full circumference of the joint. Spot welding of joints is prohibited.

9.3.3 Plastic Casing. All plastic well casing shall be mechanically screw coupled, chemically welded, cam-locked or lug coupled to provide water tight joints as per ANSI/ASTM F480-95. Metal screws driven into casing joints shall not be long enough to penetrate the inside surface of the casing. Metal screws should be used only when surrounding air temperatures are below 50 degrees Fahrenheit (F) which retards the normal setting of the cement.

9.4 Surface Seals and Interval Seals.

9.4.1 General. Before the drill rig is removed from the drill site of a well, a surface seal shall be installed. Well casings shall be sealed to prevent the possible downward movement of contaminated surface waters in the annular space around the well casing. The seal shall also prevent the upward movement of artesian waters within the annular space around the well casing. Depending upon hydrogeologic conditions around the well, interval seals may need to be installed to prevent the movement of groundwater either upward or downward around the well from zones that have been cased out of the well due to poor water quality or other reasons. The following surface and interval seal requirements apply equally to rotary drilled, cable tool drilled, bored, jetted, augered, and driven wells unless otherwise specified.

9.4.2 Seal Material.

9.4.2.1 General. The seal material shall consist of neat cement grout, sand cement grout, unhydrated bentonite, or bentonite grout as defined in Section R655-4-2. Use of sealing materials other than those listed above must be approved by the state engineer. Bentonite drilling fluid (drilling mud), dry drilling bentonite, or drill cuttings are not an acceptable sealing material. In no case shall drilling fluid (mud), drill cuttings, drill chips, or puddling clay be used, or allowed to fill, partially fill, or fall into the required sealing interval of a well during construction of the well. All hydrated sealing materials (neat cement grout, sand cement grout, bentonite grout) shall be placed by tremie pipe, pumping, or pressure from the bottom of the seal interval upwards in one continuous operation when placed below a depth of 30 feet or when placed below static groundwater level. Portland Cement grouts must be allowed to cure a minimum of 72 hours for Type I-II cement or 36 hours for Type III cement before well drilling, construction, or testing may be resumed. The volume of annular space in the seal interval shall be calculated by the driller to determine the estimated volume of seal material required to seal the annular space. The driller shall place at least the volume of material equal to the volume of annular space, thus ensuring that a continuous seal is placed. The driller shall maintain the well casing centered in the borehole during seal placement using centralizers or other means to ensure that the seal is placed radially and vertically continuous.

9.4.2.2 Bentonite Grout. Bentonite used to prepare grout for sealing shall have the ability to gel; not separate into water and solid materials after it gels; have a hydraulic conductivity or permeability value of 10E-7 centimeters per second or less; contain at least 20 percent solids by weight of bentonite, and have a fluid weight of 9.5 pounds per gallon or greater and be specifically designed for the purpose of sealing. Bentonite or polymer drilling fluid (mud) does not meet the definition of a grout with respect to density, gel strength, and solids content and shall not be used for sealing purposes. At no time shall bentonite grout contain materials that are toxic, polluting, develop odor or color changes, or serve as a micro-bacterial nutrient. All bentonite grout shall be prepared and installed according to the manufacturer's instructions and these rules. All additives must be certified by a recognized certification authority such as NSF and approved by the state engineer.

9.4.2.3 Unhydrated Bentonite. Unhydrated bentonite (e.g., granular, tabular, pelletized, or chip bentonite) may be used in the construction of well seals above a depth of 50 feet. Unhydrated bentonite can be placed below a depth of 50 feet when placed inside the annulus of two casings, when placed using a tremie pipe, or by using a placement method approved by the state engineer. The bentonite material shall be specifically designed for well sealing and be within industry tolerances. All unhydrated bentonite used for sealing must be free of organic polymers and other contamination. Placement of bentonite shall conform to the manufacturer's specifications and instructions and result in a seal free of voids or bridges.

Granular or powdered bentonite shall not be placed under water by gravity feeding from the surface. When placing unhydrated bentonite, a sounding or tamping tool shall be run in the sealing interval during pouring to measure fill-up rate, verify a continuous seal placement, and to break up possible bridges or cake formation.

9.4.3 Seal and Unperforated Casing Placement.

9.4.3.1 General Seal Requirements. Figure 1 illustrates the construction of a surface seal for a typical well. The surface seal must be placed in an annular space that has a minimum diameter of four (4) inches larger than the nominal size of the permanent well casing (This amounts to a 2-inch annulus). The surface seal must extend from land surface to a minimum depth of 30 feet. The completed surface seal must fully surround the permanent well casing, must be evenly distributed, free of voids, and extend to undisturbed or recompacted soil. In unconsolidated formations such as gravels, sands, or other unstable conditions when the use of drilling fluid or other means of keeping the borehole open are not employed, either a temporary surface casing with a minimum depth of 30 feet and a minimum nominal diameter of four (4) inches greater than the outermost permanent casing shall be utilized to ensure proper seal placement or the well driller shall notify the state engineer's office that the seal will be placed in a potentially unstable open borehole without a temporary surface casing by telephone or FAX in conjunction with the start card submittal in order to provide an opportunity for the state engineer's office to inspect the placement of the seal. If a temporary surface casing is utilized, the surface casing shall be removed in conjunction with the placement of the seal. Alternatively, conductor casing may be sealed permanently in place to a depth of 30 feet with a minimum 2-inch annular seal between the surface casing and borehole wall. If the temporary surface casing is to be removed, the surface casing shall be withdrawn as sealing material is placed between the outer-most permanent well casing and borehole wall. The sealing material shall be kept at a sufficient height above the bottom of the temporary surface casing as it is withdrawn to prevent caving of the borehole wall. If the temporary conductor casing is driven in place without a 2-inch annular seal between the surface casing and borehole wall, the surface casing may be left in place in the borehole only if it is impossible to remove because of unforeseen conditions and not because of inadequate drilling equipment, or if the removal will seriously jeopardize the integrity of the well and the integrity of subsurface barriers to pollutants or contaminant movement. The temporary surface casing can only be left in place without a sufficient 2-inch annular seal as describe above with the approval of the state engineer on a case by case basis. If the surface casing is left in place, it shall be perforated to allow seal material to penetrate through the casing and into the formation and annular space between the surface casing and borehole wall. Unhydrated bentonite shall not be used to construct the surface seal when the surface casing is left in place. Grout seal materials must be used to construct the surface seal when the surface casing is left in place. The grout must be placed with sufficient pressure to force the grout through the surface casing perforations and into the annular space between the surface casing and borehole wall and into the formation. Surface seals and unperforated casing shall be installed in wells located in unconsolidated formation such as sand and gravel with minor clay or confining units; unconsolidated formation consisting of stratified layers of materials such as sand, gravel, and clay or other confining units; and consolidated formations according to the following procedures.

9.4.3.2 Unconsolidated Formation without Significant Confining Units. This includes wells that penetrate an aquifer overlain by unconsolidated formations such as sand and gravel without significant clay beds (at least six feet thick) or other confining formations. The surface seal must be placed in a 2-inch annular space to a minimum depth of 30 feet. Permanent unperforated casing shall extend at least to a depth of 30 feet and also extend below the lowest anticipated pumping level. Additional casing placed in the open borehole below the required depths noted above shall meet the casing requirements of Subsection 9.2 unless the casing is installed as a liner inside a larger diameter approved casing.

9.4.3.3 Unconsolidated Formation with Significant Confining Units. This includes wells that penetrate an aquifer overlain by clay or other confining formations that are at least six (6) feet thick. The surface seal must be placed in a 2-inch annular space to a minimum depth of 30 feet and at least five (5) feet into the confining unit above the water bearing formation. Unperforated casing shall extend from ground surface to at least 30 feet and to the bottom of the confining unit overlying the water bearing formation. If necessary to complete the well, a smaller diameter casing, liner, or well screen may be installed below the unperforated casing. The annular space between the two casings shall be sealed with grout, bentonite, or a mechanical packer. Additional casing placed in the open borehole below the required depths noted above shall meet the casing requirements of Subsection 9.2 unless the casing is installed as a liner inside a larger diameter approved casing.

9.4.3.4 Consolidated Formation. This includes drilled wells that penetrate an aquifer, either within or overlain by a consolidated formation. The surface seal must be placed in a 2-inch annular space to a minimum depth of 30 feet and at least five (5) feet into competent consolidated formation. Unperforated permanent casing shall be installed to extend to a depth of at least 30 feet and the lower part of the casing shall be driven and sealed at least five (5) feet into the consolidated formation. If necessary to complete the well, a smaller diameter casing, liner, or well screen may be installed below the unperforated casing. The annular space between the two casings shall be sealed with grout, bentonite, or a mechanical packer. Additional casing placed in the open borehole below the required depths noted above shall meet the casing requirements of Subsection 9.2 unless the casing is installed as a liner inside a larger diameter approved casing.

9.4.3.5 Sealing Artesian Wells. Unperforated well casing shall extend into the confining stratum overlying the artesian zone, and shall be adequately sealed into the confining stratum to prevent both surface and subsurface leakage from the artesian zone. If leaks occur around the well casing or adjacent to the well, the well shall be completed with the seals, packers, or casing necessary to eliminate the leakage. The driller shall not move the drilling rig from the well site until leakage is completely stopped, unless authority for temporary removal of the drilling rig is granted by the state engineer, or when loss of life or property is imminent. If the well flows naturally at land surface due to artesian pressure, the well shall be equipped with a control valve so that the flow can be completely stopped. The control valve must be available for inspection by the state engineer at all times.

9.4.4 Interval Seals. Formations containing undesirable materials (e.g., fine sand and silt that can damage pumping equipment and result in turbid water), contaminated groundwater, or poor quality groundwater must be sealed off so that the unfavorable formation cannot contribute to the performance and quality of the well. These zones must also be sealed to eliminate the potential of cross contamination or commingling between two aquifers of differing quality. Figure 4 illustrates this situation. Unless approved by the state engineer, construction of wells that cause the commingling or cross connection of otherwise separate aquifers is not allowed.

9.4.5 Other Sealing Methods. In wells where the above-described methods of well sealing do not apply, special sealing procedures can be approved by the state engineer upon written request by the licensed well driller.

9.5 Special Requirements for Oversized and Gravel Packed Wells. This section applies to wells in which casing is installed in an open borehole without driving or drilling in the casing and an annular space is left between the borehole wall and well casing (e.g., mud rotary wells, flooded reverse circulation wells, air rotary wells in open bedrock).

9.5.1 Oversized Borehole. The diameter of the borehole shall be at least four (4) inches larger than the outside diameter of the well casing to be installed to allow for proper placement of the gravel pack and/or formation stabilizer and adequate clearance for grouting and surface seal installations. In order to accept a smaller diameter casing in any oversized borehole penetrating unconsolidated or stratified formations, the annular space must be sealed in accordance with Subsection 9.4. In order to minimize the risk of: 1) borehole caving or collapse; 2) casing failure or collapse; or 3) axial distortion of the casing, it is recommended that the entire annular space in an oversized borehole between the casing and borehole wall be filled with formation stabilizer such as approved seal material, gravel pack, filter material or other state engineer-approved materials. Well casing placed in an oversized borehole should be suspended at the ground surface until all formation stabilizer material is placed in order to reduce axial distortion of the casing if it is allowed to rest on the bottom of an open oversized borehole. In order to accept a smaller diameter casing, the annular space in an oversized borehole penetrating unconsolidated formations (with no confining layer) must be sealed in accordance with Subsection 9.4 to a depth of at least 30 feet or from static water level to ground surface, whichever is deeper. The annular space in an oversized borehole penetrating stratified or consolidated formations must be sealed in accordance with Subsection 9.4 to a depth of at least 30 feet or five (5) feet into an impervious strata (e.g., clay) or competent consolidated formation overlying the water producing zones back to ground surface, whichever is deeper. Especially in the case of an oversized borehole, the requirements of Subsection 9.4.4 regarding interval sealing must be followed.

9.5.2 Gravel Pack or Filter Material. The gravel pack or filter material shall consist of clean, well-rounded, chemically stable grains that are smooth and uniform. The filter material should not contain more than 2% by weight of thin, flat, or elongated pieces and should not contain organic impurities or contaminants of any kind. In order to assure that no contamination is introduced into the well via the gravel pack, the gravel pack must be washed with a minimum 100 ppm solution of chlorinated water or dry hypochlorite mixed with the gravel pack at the surface before it is introduced into the well (see Table 6 of these rules for required amount of chlorine material).

9.5.3 Placement of Filter Material. All filter material shall be placed using a method that through common usage has been shown to minimize a) bridging of the material between the borehole and the casing, and b) excessive segregation of the material after it has been introduced into the annulus and before it settles into place. It is not acceptable to place filter material by pouring from the ground surface unless proper sounding devices are utilized to measure dynamic filter depth, evaluate pour rate, and minimize bridging and formation of voids.

9.5.4 No Surface Casing Used. If no permanent conductor casing is installed, neat cement grout, sand cement grout, bentonite grout, or unhydrated bentonite seal shall be installed in accordance with Subsection 9.4. Figure 2 of these rules illustrates the construction of a typical well of this type.

9.5.5 Permanent Conductor Casing Used. If permanent conductor casing is installed, it shall be unperforated and installed and sealed in accordance with Subsection 9.4 as depicted in Figure 3 of these rules. After the gravel pack has been installed between the conductor casing and the well casing, the annular space between the two casings shall be sealed by either welding a water-tight steel cap between the two casings at land surface or filling the annular space between the two casings with neat cement grout, sand cement grout, bentonite grout, or unhydrated bentonite from at least 50 feet to the surface and in accordance with Subsection 9.4. If a hole will be created in the permanent conductor casing in order to install a pitless adapter into the well casing, the annual space between the conductor casing and well casing shall be sealed to at least a depth of thirty (30) feet with neat cement grout, sand cement grout, bentonite grout, or unhydrated bentonite. A waterproof cap or weld ring sealing the two casings at the surface by itself without the annular seal between the two casings is unacceptable when a pitless adapter is installed in this fashion. Moreover in this case, the annular space between the surface casing and well casing must be at least 2 inches in order to facilitate seal placement.

9.5.6 Gravel Feed Pipe. If a gravel feed pipe, used to add gravel to the gravel pack after well completion, is installed, the diameter of the borehole in the sealing interval must be at least four (4) inches in diameter greater than the permanent casing plus the diameter of the gravel feed pipe. The gravel feed pipe must be completely surrounded by the seal. The gravel feed pipe must extend at least 18 inches above ground and must be sealed at the top with a watertight cap or plug (see Figure 2).

9.6 Protection of the Aquifer.

9.6.1 Drilling Fluids and LCMs. The well driller shall take due care to protect the producing aquifer from clogging or contamination. Organic substances shall not be introduced into the well or borehole during drilling or construction. Every effort shall be made to remove all substances and materials introduced into the aquifer or aquifers during well construction. "Substances and materials" shall mean all drilling fluids, filter cake, and any other inorganic substances added to the drilling fluid that may seal or clog the aquifer. The introduction of lost circulation materials (LCM's) during the drilling process shall be limited to those products which will not present a potential medium for bacterial growth or contamination. Only LCM's which are non-organic, which can be safely broken down and removed from the borehole, may be utilized. This is especially important in the construction of wells designed to be used as a public water system supply.

9.6.2 Containment of Drilling Fluid. Drilling or circulating fluid introduced into the drilling process shall be contained in a manner to prevent surface or subsurface contamination and to prevent degradation of natural or man-made water courses or impoundments. Rules regarding the discharges to waters of the state are promulgated under R317-8-2 of the Utah Administrative Code and regulated by the Utah Division of Water Quality (Tel. 801-536-6146). Pollution of waters of the state is a violation of the Utah Water Quality Act, Utah Code Annotated Title 19, Chapter 5.

9.6.3 Mineralized, Contaminated or Polluted Water. Whenever a water bearing stratum that contains nonpotable mineralized, contaminated or polluted water is encountered, the stratum shall be adequately sealed off so that contamination or co-mingling of the overlying or underlying groundwater zones will not occur (see Figure 4).

9.6.4 Drilling Equipment. All tools, drilling equipment, and materials used to drill a well shall be free of contaminants prior to beginning well construction. Contaminants include lubricants, fuel, bacteria, etc. that will reduce the well efficiency, and any other item(s) that will be harmful to public health and/or the resource or reduce the life of the water well. It is recommended that excess lubricants placed on drilling equipment be wiped clean prior to insertion into the borehole.

9.6.5 Well Disinfection and Chlorination of Water. No contaminated or untreated water shall be placed in a well during construction. Water should be obtained from a chlorinated municipal system. Where this is not possible, the water must be

treated to give 100 parts per million free chlorine residual. Upon completion of a well or work on a well, the driller shall disinfect the well using accepted disinfection procedures to give 100 parts per million free chlorine residual equally distributed in the well water from static level to the bottom of the well. A chlorine solution designated for potable water use prepared with either calcium hypochlorite (powdered, granular, or tablet form) or sodium hypochlorite in liquid form shall be used for water well disinfection. Off-the-shelf chlorine compounds intended for home laundry use, pool or fountain use should not be used if they contain additives such as antifungal agents, silica ("Ultra" brands), scents, etc. Table 6 provides the amount of chlorine compound required per 100 gallons of water or 100 feet linear casing volume of water to mix a 100 parts per million solution. Disinfection situations not depicted in Table 6 must be approved by the state engineer. Additional recommendations and guidelines for water well system disinfection are available from the state engineer upon request.

TABLE 6
AMOUNT OF CHLORINE COMPOUND FOR EACH 100 FEET OF WATER STANDING IN WELL (100 ppm solution)

Well Diameter (inches)	Ca-HyCLT* (25% HOCL) (ounces)	Ca-HyCLT (65% HOCL) (ounces)	Na-HyCLT** (12-trade %) (fluid ounces)	Liquid CL*** (100% Cl2) (lbs)
2	1.00	0.50	3.5	0.03
4	3.50	1.50	7.0	0.06
6	8.00	3.00	16.0	0.12
8	14.50	5.50	28.0	0.22
10	22.50	8.50	45.0	0.34
12	32.50	12.00	64.0	0.50
14	44.50	16.50	88.0	0.70
16	58.00	26.00	112	0.88
20	90.50	33.00	179	1.36
For every 100 gal. of water add:	5.50	2.00	11.5	0.09

NOTES: *Calcium Hypochlorite (solid)
**Sodium Hypochlorite (liquid)
***Liquid Chlorine

9.7 Special Requirements.

9.7.1 Explosives. Explosives used in well construction shall not be detonated within the section of casing designed or expected to serve as the surface seal of the completed well, whether or not the surface seal has been placed. If explosives are used in the construction of a well, their use shall be reported on the official well log. In no case shall explosives, other than explosive shot perforators specifically designed to perforate steel casing, be detonated inside the well casing or liner pipe.

9.7.2 Access Port. Every well shall be equipped with a usable access port so that the position of the water level, or pressure head, in the well can be measured at all times.

9.7.3 Completion or Abandonment. A licensed driller shall not remove his drill rig from a well site unless the well is completed or abandoned. Completion of a well shall include all surface seals, gravel packs or curbs required. Dry boreholes, or otherwise unsuccessful attempts at completing a well, shall be properly abandoned in accordance with Section R655-4-12. Upon completion, all wells shall be equipped with a watertight, tamper-resistant casing cap or sanitary seal.

9.7.4 Surface Security. If it becomes necessary for the driller to temporarily discontinue the drilling operation before completion of the well or otherwise leave the well or borehole unattended, the well and/or borehole must be covered securely to prevent contaminants from entering the casing or borehole and rendered secure against entry by children, vandals, domestic animals, and wildlife.

9.7.5 Pitless Adapters. Pitless adapters or units are acceptable to use with steel well casing as long as they are installed in accordance with manufacturers recommendations and specifications. The pitless adaptor, including the cap or cover, casing extension, and other attachments, must be so designed and constructed to be water tight and to prevent contamination of the potable water supply from external sources. Pitless adapters or units are not recommended to be mounted on PVC well casing. If a pitless adapter is to be used with PVC casing, it should be designed for use with PVC casing, and the driller should ensure that the weight of the pump and column do not exceed the strength of the PVC well casing.

9.7.6 Hydraulic Fracturing. The hydraulic fracturing pressure shall be transmitted through a drill string and shall not be transmitted to the well casing. Hydraulic fracturing intervals shall be at least 20 feet below the bottom of the permanent casing of a well. All hydraulic fracturing equipment shall be thoroughly disinfected with a 100 part per million chlorine solution prior to insertion into the well. The driller shall include the appropriate hydraulic fracturing information on the well log including methods, materials, maximum pressures, location of packers, and initial/final yields.

9.7.7 Static Water Level, Well Development, and Well Yield. To fulfill the requirements of Subsection R655-4-4.5.2, new wells designed to produce water shall be developed to remove drill cuttings, drilling mud, or other materials introduced into the well during construction and to restore the natural groundwater flow to the well to the extent possible. After a water production well is developed, a test should be performed to determine the rate at which groundwater can be reliably produced from the well. Following development and testing, the static water level in the well should also be measured. Static water level, well development information, and well yield information shall be noted on the official submittal of the Well Log by the well driller.

R655-4-10. Special Wells.

10.1 Construction Standards for Special Wells.

10.1.1 General. The construction standards outlined in Section R655-4-9 are meant to serve as minimum acceptable construction standards. Certain types of wells such as cathodic protection wells, heating or cooling exchange wells, recharge and recovery wells, and public supply wells require special construction standards that are addressed in this section or in rules promulgated by other regulating agencies. At a minimum, when constructing special wells as listed above, the well shall be constructed by a licensed well driller, and the minimum construction standards of Section R655-4-9 shall be followed in addition to the following special standards.

10.1.2 Public Water Supply Wells. Public water supply wells are subject to the minimum construction standards outlined in Section R655-4-9 in addition to the requirements established by the Department of Environmental Quality, Division of Drinking Water under Rules R309-515 and R309-600. Plans and specifications for a public supply well must be reviewed and approved by the Division of Drinking Water before the well is drilled. These plans and specifications shall include the procedures, practices, and materials used to drill, construct, seal, develop, clean, disinfect, and test the public supply well. A Preliminary Evaluation Report describing the potential vulnerability and protection strategies of the new well to contamination must also be submitted and approved prior to drilling. A representative of the Division of Drinking Water must be present at the time the surface grout seal is placed in all public supply wells, so that the placement of the seal can be certified. In order to assure that a representative will be available, and to avoid down-time waiting for a representative, notice should be given several days in advance of the projected surface grout seal placement. When the time and date for the surface grout seal installation are confirmed a definite appointment should be made with the representative of the Division of Drinking Water to witness the grout seal placement by calling (801) 536-4200. The licensed driller shall have

available a copy of the start card relating to the well and provide that information to the inspecting representative at the time of the surface grout seal installation and inspection.

10.1.3 Cathodic Protection Well Construction. Cathodic protection wells shall be constructed in accordance with the casing, joint, surface seal, and other applicable requirements outlined in Section R655-4-9. Any annular space existing between the base of the annular surface seal and the top of the anode and conductive fill interval shall be filled with appropriate fill or sealing material. Fill material shall consist of washed granular material such as sand, pea gravel, or sealing material. Fill material shall not be subject to decomposition or consolidation and shall be free of pollutants and contaminants. Fill material shall not be toxic or contain drill cuttings or drilling mud. Additional sealing material shall be placed below the minimum depth of the annular surface seal, as needed, to prevent the cross-connection and commingling of separate aquifers and water bearing zones. Vent pipes, anode access tubing, and any other tubular materials (i.e., the outermost casing) that pass through the interval to be filled and sealed are considered casing for the purposes of these standards and shall meet the requirements of Subsections R655-4-9.2 and 9.3. Cathodic protection well casing shall be at least 2 inches in internal diameter to facilitate eventual well abandonment. Figure 6 illustrates the construction of a typical cathodic protection well.

10.1.4 Heating/Cooling Exchange Wells. Wells or boreholes utilized for heat exchange or thermal heating, which are greater than 30 feet in depth and encounter formations containing groundwater, must be drilled by a licensed driller and the owner or applicant must have an approved application for that specific purpose as outlined in Section R655-4-7. Wells or boreholes installed for heat or thermal exchange process must comply with the minimum construction standards of Section R655-4-9. For closed-loop systems where groundwater is not removed in the process, non-production well approval must be obtained from the state engineer. Closed-loop system wells must be sealed from the bottom of the well/boring to ground surface using acceptable materials and placement methods described in Section 9.4. Sand may be added to the seal mix to enhance thermal conductivity as long as the seal mix meets permeability and gel strength standards outlined in Section 9.4. For open-loop systems where groundwater is removed, processed, and re-injected, a non-consumptive use water right approval must be obtained from the state engineer. Open-loop system wells shall be constructed in accordance with the requirements found in Section 9. If a separate well or borehole is required for re-injection purposes, it must also comply with these standards and the groundwater must be injected into the same water bearing zones as from which it is initially withdrawn. The quality and quantity of groundwater shall not be diminished or degraded upon re-injection. The rules herein pertain only to the heating and cooling exchange well constructed to a depth greater than 30 feet and are not intended to regulate the incidental work that may occur up to the well such as plumbing, electrical, piping, trenching, and backfilling activities.

10.1.5 Recharge and Recovery Wells. Any well drilled under the provisions of Title 73, Chapter 3b (Groundwater Recharge and Recovery Act) shall be constructed in a manner consistent with these rules and shall be drilled by a currently licensed driller. Special rules regarding the injection of water into the ground are also promulgated under the jurisdiction of the Utah Department of Environmental Quality, Division of Water Quality (Rule R317-7 "Underground Injection Control Program" of the Utah Administrative Code) and must be followed in conjunction with the Water Well Drilling rules.

R655-4-11. Deepening, Rehabilitation, and Renovation of Wells.

11.1 Sealing of Casing.

11.1.1 If in the repair of a drilled well, the old casing is withdrawn, the well shall be recased and resealed in accordance with the rules provided in Subsection R655-4-9(9.4).

11.2 Inner Casing.

11.2.1 If an inner casing is installed to prevent leakage of undesirable water into a well, the space between the two well casings shall be completely sealed using packers, casing swedging, pressure grouting, etc., to prevent the movement of water between the casings.

11.3 Outer Casing.

11.3.1 If the "over-drive" method is used to eliminate leakage around an existing well, the casing driven over the well shall meet the minimum specifications listed in Subsection R655-4-9(9.4).

11.4 Artesian Wells.

11.4.1 If upon deepening an existing well, an artesian zone is encountered, the well shall be cased and completed as provided in Subsection R655-4-9(9.4).

11.5 Drilling in a Dug Well.

11.5.1 A drilled well may be constructed through an existing dug well provided that:

11.5.1.1 Unperforated Casing Requirements. An unperforated section of well casing extends from a depth of at least ten (10) feet below the bottom of the dug well and at least 20 feet below land surface to above the maximum static water level in the dug well.

11.5.1.2 Seal Required. A two foot thick seal of neat cement grout, sand cement grout, or bentonite grout is placed in the bottom of the dug well so as to prevent the direct movement of water from the dug well into the drilled well.

11.5.1.3 Test of Seal. The drilled well shall be pumped or bailed to determine whether the seal described in Subsection R655-4-11(11.5.1.2) is adequate to prevent movement of water from the dug well into the drilled well. If the seal leaks, additional sealing and testing shall be performed until a water tight seal is obtained.

11.6 Well Rehabilitation and Cleaning.

11.6.1 Tools used to rehabilitate or clean a well shall be cleaned, disinfected, and free of contamination prior to placement in a well.

11.6.2 The driller shall use rehabilitation and cleaning tools properly so as not to permanently damage the well or aquifer. If the surface seal is damaged or destroyed in the process of rehabilitation or cleaning, the driller shall repair the surface seal to the standards set forth in Subsection R655-4-9(9.4).

11.6.3 Debris, sediment, and other materials displaced inside the well and surrounding aquifer as a result of rehabilitation or cleaning shall be completely removed by pumping, bailing, well development, or other approved methods.

11.6.4 Detergents, chlorine, acids, or other chemicals placed in wells for the purpose of increasing or restoring yield, shall be specifically designed for that purpose and used according to the manufacturer's recommendations.

11.6.5 Any renovation, rehabilitation, cleaning, or other work on a well that requires alteration of the well itself shall be conducted by a licensed well driller.

11.6.6 Following completion of deepening, renovation, rehabilitation, cleaning, or other work on a well, the well shall be properly disinfected in accordance with Subsection R655-4-9(9.6.5).

R655-4-12. Abandonment of Wells.

12.1 Temporary Abandonment.

12.1.1 When any well is temporarily removed from service, the top of the well shall be sealed with a tamper

resistant, water-tight cap or seal. If a well is in the process of being drilled and is temporarily abandoned, the well shall be sealed with a tamper resistant, water-tight cap or seal and a surface seal installed in accordance with Subsection R655-4-9(9.4). The well may be temporarily abandoned during construction for a maximum of 90 days. After the 90 day period, the temporarily abandoned well shall be completed as a well that meets the standards of Section 9 or permanently abandoned in accordance with the following requirements, and an official well abandonment report (abandonment log) must be submitted in compliance with Section R655-4-4.

12.2 Permanent Abandonment.

12.2.1 The rules of this section apply to the abandonment of the type of wells listed in Subsection R655-4-1(1.2) including private water wells, public supply wells, monitor wells, cathodic protection wells, and heating or cooling exchange wells. A licensed driller shall notify the state engineer prior to commencing abandonment work and submit a complete and accurate abandonment log following abandonment work in accordance with Section R655-4-4 of these rules. Prior to commencing abandonment work, the driller shall obtain a copy of the well log of the well proposed to be abandoned from the well owner or the state engineer, if available, in order to determine the proper abandonment procedure. Any well that is to be permanently abandoned shall be completely filled in a manner to prevent vertical movement of water within the borehole as well as preventing the annular space surrounding the well casing from becoming a conduit for possible contamination of the groundwater supply. A well driller who wishes to abandon a well in a manner that does not comply with the provisions set forth in this section must request approval from the state engineer.

12.3 License Required.

12.3.1 Well abandonment shall be accomplished under the direct supervision of a currently licensed water well driller who shall be responsible for verification of the procedures and materials used.

12.4 Acceptable Materials.

12.4.1 Neat cement grout, sand cement grout, unhydrated bentonite, or bentonite grout shall be used to abandon wells and boreholes. Other sealing materials or additives, such as fly ash, may be used in the preparation of grout upon approval of the state engineer. Drilling mud or drill cuttings shall not be used as any part of a sealing materials for well abandonment. The liquid phase of the abandonment fluid shall be water from a potable municipal system or disinfected in accordance with Subsection R655-4-9(9.6.5).

12.5 Placement of Materials.

12.5.1 Neat cement and sand cement grout shall be introduced at the bottom of the well or required sealing interval and placed progressively upward to the top of the well. The sealing material shall be placed by the use of a grout pipe, tremie line, dump bailer or equivalent in order to avoid freefall, bridging, or dilution of the sealing materials or separation of aggregates from sealants. Sealing material shall not be installed by freefall (gravity) unless the interval to be sealed is dry and no deeper than 30 feet below ground surface. If the well to be abandoned is a flowing artesian well, the well may be pressure grouted from the surface. The well should be capped immediately after placement of seal materials to allow the seal material to set up and not flow out of the well.

12.5.2 Bentonite-based abandonment products shall be mixed and placed according to manufacturer's recommended procedures and result in a seal free of voids or bridges. Granular or powered bentonite shall not be placed under water. When placing unhydrated bentonite, a sounding or tamping tool shall be run in the sealing interval during pouring to measure fill-up rate, verify a continuous seal placement, and to break up possible bridges or cake formation.

12.5.3 The uppermost ten (10) feet of the abandoned well casing or borehole shall consist of neat cement grout or sand cement grout.

12.5.4 Abandonment materials placed opposite any non-water bearing intervals or zones shall be at least as impervious as the formation or strata prior to penetration during the drilling process.

12.5.5 Prior to well or borehole abandonment, all pump equipment, piping, and other debris shall be removed to the extent possible. The well shall also be sounded immediately before it is plugged to make sure that no obstructions exist that will interfere with the filling and sealing. If the well contains lubricating oil that has leaked from a turbine shaft pump, it shall be removed from the well prior to abandonment and disposed of in accordance with applicable state and federal regulations.

12.5.6 Verification shall be made that the volume of sealing and fill material placed in a well during abandonment operations equals or exceeds the volume of the well or borehole to be filled and sealed.

12.6 Termination of Casing.

12.6.1 The casings of wells to be abandoned shall be severed a minimum of two feet below either the natural ground surface adjacent to the well or at the collar of the hole, whichever is the lower elevation. A minimum of two (2) feet of compacted native material shall be placed above the abandoned well upon completion.

12.7 Abandonment of Artesian Wells.

12.7.1 A neat cement grout, sand-cement grout, or concrete plug shall be placed in the confining stratum overlying the artesian zone so as to prevent subsurface leakage from the artesian zone. The remainder of the well shall be filled with sand-cement grout, neat cement grout, bentonite abandonment products, or bentonite grout. The uppermost ten (10) feet of the well shall be abandoned as required in Subsection R655-4-12(12.5.3).

12.8 Abandonment of Drilled and Jetted Wells.

12.8.1 A neat cement grout or sand cement grout plug shall be placed opposite all perforations, screens or openings in the well casing. The remainder of the well shall be filled with cement grout, neat cement, bentonite abandonment products, concrete, or bentonite slurry. The uppermost ten feet of the well shall be abandoned as required in Subsection R655-4-12(12.5.3).

12.9 Abandonment of Gravel Packed Wells.

12.9.1 All gravel packed wells shall be pressure grouted throughout the perforated or screened section of the well. The remainder of the well shall be filled with sand cement grout, neat cement grout, bentonite abandonment products, or bentonite grout. The uppermost ten feet of the well shall be abandoned as required in Subsection R655-4-12(12.5.3).

12.10 Removal of Casing.

12.10.1 It is recommended that the well casing be removed during well abandonment, and when doing so, the abandonment materials shall be placed from the bottom of the well or borehole progressively upward as the casing is removed. The well shall be sealed with sand cement grout, neat cement grout, bentonite abandonment products, or bentonite grout. In the case of gravel packed wells, the entire gravel section shall be pressure grouted. The uppermost ten feet of the well shall be abandoned as required in Subsection R655-4-12(12.5.3).

12.11 Replacement Wells.

12.11.1 Wells which are to be removed from operation and replaced by the drilling of a new well under an approved replacement application, shall be abandoned in a manner consistent with the provisions of Section R655-4-12 before the rig is removed from the site of the newly constructed replacement well, unless written authorization to remove the rig without abandonment is provided by the state engineer. Also refer to the requirements provided in Subsection R655-4-4(4.4).

12.12 Abandonment of Cathodic Protection Wells.

12.12.1 The general requirements for permanent well abandonment in accordance with Section R655-4-12 shall be followed for the abandonment of cathodic protection wells.

12.12.2 A cathodic protection well shall be investigated before it is destroyed to determine its condition, details of its construction and whether conditions exist that will interfere with filling and sealing.

12.12.3 Casing, cables, anodes, granular backfill, conductive backfill, and sealing material shall be removed as needed, by re-drilling, if necessary, to the point needed to allow proper placement of abandonment material. Casing that cannot be removed shall be adequately perforated or punctured at specific intervals to allow pressure injection of sealing materials into granular backfill and all other voids that require sealing.

R655-4-13. Monitor Well Construction Standards.

13.1 Scope.

13.1.1 Certain construction standards that apply to water wells also apply to monitor wells. Therefore, these monitoring well standards refer frequently to the water well standard sections of the rules. Standards that apply only to monitor wells, or that require emphasis, are discussed in this section. Figure 7 illustrates a schematic of an acceptable monitor well with an above-ground surface completion. Figure 8 illustrates a schematic of an acceptable monitor well with a flush-mount surface completion. Figures 7 and 8 can be viewed in the publication, State of Utah Administrative Rules for Water Well Drillers, dated January 1, 2001, available at the Division of Water Rights, 1594 West North Temple, Salt Lake City, Utah.

13.1.2 These standards are not intended as a complete manual for monitoring well construction, alteration, maintenance, and abandonment. These standards serve only as minimum statewide guidelines towards ensuring that monitor wells do not constitute a significant pathway for the movement of poor quality water, pollutants, or contaminants. These standards provide no assurance that a monitor well will perform a desired function. Ultimate responsibility for the design and performance of a monitoring well rests with the well owner and/or the owner's contractor, and/or technical representative(s). Most monitor well projects are the result of compliance with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Federal Regulations such as the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA or "Superfund"), or specific State Solid and Hazardous Waste requirements. The contracts governing their installation are tightly written containing specific requirements as to site location, materials used, sampling procedures and overall objectives. Therefore specific construction requirements for monitor well installation shall be governed by applicable contracts and regulations providing they meet or exceed state requirements and specifications. Guidelines and recommended practices dealing with the installation of monitor wells may be obtained from the state engineer upon request. Additional recommended information may be obtained from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), Groundwater Monitoring Enforcement and Compliance Document available from EPA's regional office in Denver, Colorado and from the Handbook of Suggested Practices for the Design and Installation of Groundwater Monitoring Wells, available from the National Groundwater Association in Dublin, Ohio.

13.2 Installation and Construction.

13.2.1 Materials and Equipment Contaminant-Free. All material used in the installation of monitor wells shall be contaminant-free when placed in the ground. Drilling equipment shall be clean and contaminant free in accordance with Subsection R655-4-9(9.6.4). During construction contaminated water should not be allowed to enter contaminant-free geologic formations or water bearing zones.

13.2.2 Borehole Integrity. Some minor cross-contamination may occur during the drilling process, but the integrity of the borehole and individual formations must then be safeguarded from permanent cross connection.

13.2.3 Casing and Screen. The well casing should be perforated or screened and filter packed with sand or gravel where necessary to provide adequate sample collection at depths where appropriate aquifer flow zones exist. The casing and screen selected shall not affect or interfere with the chemical, physical, radiological, or biological constituents of interest. Screens in the same well shall not be placed across separate water bearing zones in order to minimize interconnection, aquifer commingling, and cross contamination. Screens in a nested well can be placed in separate water bearing zones as long as the intervals between the water bearing zones are appropriately sealed and aquifer cross connection and commingling does not occur. Monitor well casing and screen shall conform to ASTM standards, or consist of at least 304 or 316 stainless steel, PTFE (Teflon), or Schedule 40 PVC casing.

13.2.4 Gravel/Filter Pack. If installed, the gravel or filter pack should generally extend two (2) feet to ten (10) feet above screened or perforated areas to prevent the migration of the sealing material from entering the zones being sampled. Gravel or filter pack material shall meet the requirements of Subsection R655-4-9(9.5.2). Gravel/filter pack for monitoring wells does not require disinfection. Drill cutting should not be placed into the open borehole annulus. The well driller shall ensure that a bridge or voids do not occur in the annular space during the placement of the gravel pack by means of a sounding device or other mechanism.

13.2.5 Annular Seal. All monitor wells constructed shall have a continuous surface seal, which seals the annular space between the borehole and the permanent casing, in accordance with the provisions in Section R655-4-9. The surface seal depth requirements of Section R655-4-9 do not apply to monitor wells. The surface seal may be more or less than 50 feet depending on the screen/perforation and/or gravel pack interval. Seals shall also be constructed to prevent interconnection and commingling of separate aquifers penetrated by the well, prevent migration of surface water and contaminations into the well and aquifers, and shall provide casing stability. The seal shall have a minimum diameter of four inches larger than the nominal size of the permanent casing, and shall extend from land surface to the top of the filter pack. After the permanent casing and filter pack (optional) has been set in final position, a layer of bentonite or fine sand (e.g., mortar sand) shall be placed on top of the filter pack to maintain separation between the seal material and the screened interval in order to insure that the seal placement will not interfere with the filter pack. The remaining annular space shall be filled to land surface in a continuous operation with unhydrated bentonite, neat cement grout, sand-cement grout, or bentonite grout. Only potable water should be used to hydrate any grout or slurry mixture. The completed annular space shall fully surround the permanent casing, be evenly distributed, free of voids, and extend from the permanent casing to undisturbed or recompacted soil. All sealing materials and placement methods shall conform to the standards in Section R655-4-2 and Subsection R655-4-9(9.4). The well driller shall ensure that a bridge or voids do not occur in the annular space during the placement of the seal.

13.2.6 Cuttings, Decon Water, Development Water, and Other IDW. Drill cuttings, decontamination (Decon) water, monitor well development water, and other investigation derived waste (IDW) shall be managed and disposed of in accordance with applicable state and federal environmental regulations. It is the responsibility of the driller to know and understand such requirements.

13.3 Minimum Surface Protection Requirements.

13.3.1 If a well is cased with metal and completed above ground surface, a locking water resistant cap shall be installed on the top of the well.

13.3.2 If the well is not cased with metal and completed above ground surface, a protective metal casing shall be installed over and around the well. The protective casing shall be cemented at least two feet into the ground around the nonmetallic casing. A water tight cap shall be installed in the top of the well casing. A locking cap shall be installed on the top of the protective casing.

13.3.3 Monitor wells completed above ground and potentially accessible to vehicular damage shall be protected in the following manner. At least three metal posts, at least three inches in diameter, shall be cemented in place around the casing. Each post shall extend at least three feet above and two feet below ground surface. A concrete pad may be installed to add protection to the surface completion. If installed, the concrete pad shall be at least four (4) inches thick and shall slope to drain away from the well casing. The base shall extend at least two (2) feet laterally in all directions from the outside of the well boring. When a concrete pad is used, the well seal may be part of the concrete pad.

13.3.4 If the well is completed below land surface, a water tight cap with a lock shall be attached to the top of the well casing. A metal monument or equivalent shall be installed over and around the well. The monument shall serve as a protective cover and be installed level with the land surface and be equipped with a waterproof seal to prevent inflow of any water or contaminants. Drains will be provided, when feasible, to keep water out of the well and below the well cap. The monument and cover must be designed to withstand the maximum expected load.

13.4 Abandonment.

13.4.1 Abandonment of monitor wells shall be completed in compliance with the provisions of Section R655-4-12. The provisions of Section R655-4-12 are not required for the permanent abandonment of monitor wells completed at a depth of 30 feet below natural ground surface.

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R657. Natural Resources, Wildlife Resources.
R657-59. Private Fish Ponds.
R657-59-1. Purpose and Authority.

(1) Under the authority of Sections 23-15-9 and 23-15-10 of the Utah Code, this rule provides the standards and procedures for private fish ponds.

(2) This rule does not regulate fee fishing or private aquaculture as provided in Title 4, Chapter 37 of the Utah Code, and Department of Agriculture Rule R58-17.

(3) Any violation of, or failure to comply with, any provision of Title 23 of the Utah Code, this rule, or any specific requirement contained in a certificate of registration or exemption certificate issued pursuant to this rule may be grounds for suspension of the certificate or denial of future certificates, as determined by the division.

R657-59-2. Definitions.

(1) Terms used in this rule are defined in Section 23-13-2.

(2) In addition:

(a) "Aquaculture" means the husbandry, production, harvest, and use of aquatic organisms under controlled, artificial conditions.

(b) "Aquaculture facility" means any facility used for propagating, rearing, or producing aquatic wildlife or aquaculture products. Facilities that are separated by more than 1/2 mile, or facilities that drain to, or are modified to drain to, different drainages are considered to be separate aquaculture facilities, regardless of ownership.

(c)(i) "Aquaculture product" means privately purchased aquatic wildlife, or their eggs or gametes.

(ii) "Aquaculture product" does not include aquatic wildlife obtained from the wild.

(d) "Certified sterile salmonid" means any salmonid fish or gamete that originates from a health certified source and is incapable of reproduction due to triploidy or hybridization.

(i) Triploid salmonids accepted as sterile under this subsection shall originate from a source that is certified as incapable of reproduction using the following protocols:

(A) fish samples shall be collected, prepared, and submitted to a certified laboratory by an independent veterinarian, certified fish health professional, or other professional approved by the division;

(B) certified laboratories shall be limited to independent, professional laboratories capable of reliably testing fish sterility and approved by the division; and

(C) sterility shall be determined by sampling and testing 60 fish from each egg lot with procedures generally accepted in the scientific community as reliable for verifying tripoidy with a 95% or greater success rate.

(ii) An aquaculture facility that receives certified sterile salmonid aquaculture product is not required to conduct additional sterility testing prior to stocking the aquaculture product in a private fish pond, provided the sterile salmonids are kept segregated from other fertile salmonids.

(iii) Hybrid salmonid fish species accepted as sterile under this subsection are limited to splake trout (lake trout/brook trout cross) and tiger trout (brown trout/brook trout cross).

(e) "Exemption certificate" means a document issued by the division pursuant to R657-59-7 that exempts a designated private fish pond from the requirement of obtaining a certificate of registration to stock aquaculture product in the pond.

(f)(i) "HUC" or "Hyrologic Unit Code" means a cataloging system developed by the US Geological Survey and the Natural Resource Conservation Service to identify watersheds in the United States. HUCs are typically reported at the large river basin (6-digit HUC) or smaller watershed (11-digit and 14-digit HUC) scale.

(ii) HUC maps and other associated information are available at http://water.usgs.gov/wsc/sub/1602.html.

(g) "Ornamental fish" means fish that are raised or held for their beauty rather than use, or that arouse interest for their uncommon or exotic characteristics, including tropical fish, goldfish, and koi, but not including those species listed as prohibited or controlled in Rule R657-3-23.

(h) "Private fish pond" means a pond, reservoir, or other body of water, or any fish culture system which is contained on privately owned land and used for holding or rearing fish for a private, noncommercial purpose.

(i) "Purchase" means to buy, or otherwise acquire or obtain through barter, exchange, or trade for pecuniary consideration or advantage.

(j) "Salmonid" means any fish belonging to the trout/salmon family.

R657-59-3. Certificate of Registration Not Required.

(1) A certificate of registration is not required to receive and stock an aquaculture product in a private fish pond, provided the following conditions are satisfied:

(a) the pond is not located on a natural lake, natural flowing stream, or reservoir constructed on a natural stream channel;

(b) the pond is properly screened consistent with the requirements in R657-59-15 to prevent the movement of aquatic wildlife into the pond or the movement of any aquaculture product out of the pond;

(c) the aquaculture product is delivered to the pond by a licensed aquaculture facility as defined in Section 4-37-103;

(d) the owner, lessee, or operator of the pond obtains from the aquaculture facility delivering the aquaculture product a valid health approval number issued by the Utah Department of Agriculture and Food pursuant to Section 4-37-501 authorizing the aquaculture facility to culture and transport the species of aquaculture product received at the pond;

(e) the species, strain, and reproductive capability of the aquaculture product received is authorized for stocking in the area where the pond is located consistent with the requirements in R657-59-16;

(f) the aquaculture product received is of sufficient size to be incapable of escaping the pond through or around the screen;

(g) the owner or operator of the private fish pond provides the aquaculture facility a signed written statement that the pond and aquaculture product received are in compliance with this section; and

(h) the owner, lessee, or operator of a private fish pond or an invitee has not previously been found in violation of any provision of Title 4, Chapter 37 or Title 23 of the Utah Code, or this rule.

R657-59-4. Aquaculture Facility Reporting Requirements.

(1) A person who owns or operates an aquaculture facility shall file an annual report with the division documenting each sale or transfer of live aquaculture product made pursuant to R657-59-3 and R657-59-7 to a private fish pond owner, lessee, or operator.

(2) The report shall contain:

(a) the name, address, and Utah health approval number of the person;

(b) the name, address, and phone number of the private fish pond's owner, lessee, or operator;

(c) the number and weight of aquaculture product by:

(i) species;

(ii) strain; and

(iii) reproductive capability;

(d) date of sale or transfer;

(e) description of the private fish pond location, including UTM coordinates; and

(f) written verification for each live sale or transfer that the private fish pond was inspected and is in compliance with the

requirements of Sections 23-15-10(2) and (3) (c) and this rule.

(3) The report required in this Subsection shall be submitted to and received by the division no later than December 31.

R657-59-5. Certificate of Registration Required.

(1) A certificate of registration must be obtained from the division to receive, stock, or possess an aquaculture product in a private fish pond where:

(a) the aquaculture product is classified under R657-59-16 as an unauthorized species, strain, or reproductive capability for the area where the pond is located;

(b) the aquaculture facility does not deliver the aquaculture product directly to the private fish pond; or

(c) the owner, lessee, or operator of a private fish pond or an invitee is found in violation of any provision of Title 4, Chapter 37 or Title 23 of the Utah Code, or this rule.

(2) A separate certificate of registration is required for each private fish pond as defined under "aquaculture facility" in R657-59-2.

R657-59-6. Application for a Certificate of Registration.

(1) A person may apply to receive a certificate of registration for a private fish pond by submitting an application with the required handling and inspection fee to the Wildlife Registration Office, Utah Division of Wildlife Resources, 1594 West North Temple, Salt Lake City, Utah 84114.

(a) Application forms are available at all division offices and at the division's internet address.

(2) A certificate of registration may be issued after a division representative inspects the private fish pond and confirms that the pond and the aquaculture products requested for stocking in the pond meet all requirements in this rule and Title 23 of the Utah Code.

(3) The application may require up to 30 days for processing.

(4) The division may deny a private fish pond application where:

(a) the application is incomplete, filled out incorrectly, or submitted without the appropriate fee;

(b) the pond is located on a natural lake, natural flowing stream, or a reservoir constructed on a natural stream channel;

(c) the pond is not screened consistent with the requirements in R657-59-15;

(d) the source of the aquaculture product is not an authorized aquaculture facility with a health approval number issued pursuant to Section 4-37-501;

(e) the applicant or its agents or invitees have previously violated of any provision of Title 4, Chapter 37 of the Utah Code, Title 23 of the Utah Code, or this rule;

(f) receiving or stocking the aquaculture product in the pond may:

(i) violate any federal, state or local law or any agreement between the state and another party;

(ii) negatively impact native wildlife species listed by the division as sensitive or by the federal government as threatened or endangered;

(iii) pose an identifiable adverse threat to other wildlife species or their habitat; or

(iv) pose an identifiable adverse impact to the division's game fish stocking regimes or wildlife management objectives;

(g) the aquaculture product received is sufficiently small to be capable of escaping the pond through or around the screen; or

(h) non-salmonid aquaculture product will be stocked in a pond within the 100 year flood plain (below 6500 feet in elevation) in the Green River and Colorado River drainages and the pond does not meet FEMA standards on construction and screening.

(5) An application for private fish pond certificate of registration may not be denied without the review and consent of the division director or a designee.

(6) A private fish pond certificate of registration shall remain effective for 5 years from the date of issuance, unless:

(a) amended by the division at the request of private fish pond owner, lessee, or operator;

(b) terminated or modified by the division pursuant to R657-59-17; or

(c) suspended by the division or a court pursuant to Section 23-19-9.

(7) Certificates of registration are renewable on or before the expiration date identified on the certificate of registration and upon payment of the prescribed handling, and inspection fees.

R657-59-7. Exemption Certificate.

(1) Upon application for a private fish pond certificate of registration and a risk assessment of the pond by the division under R657-59-6, the Division may issue an exemption certificate in lieu of a certificate of registration where the following conditions exist:

(a) The pond is eligible to receive a certificate of registration under the requirements of this chapter;

(b) The pond and species, strain and reproductive capability of aquaculture product requested present no risk to native aquatic wildlife species because:

(i) the location and configuration of the pond physically eliminate the possibility of aquaculture product escaping into the surface waters of the state;

(ii) the pond has no inflow or outflow connection with the surface waters of the state;

(iii) the pond is located in an area where escapement of aquaculture product will cause no ecological damage to native aquatic wildlife species; or

(iv) the pond is located in an area where no Tier I or II aquatic wildlife species on the division's sensitive species list or threatened or endangered species listed under the Endangered Species Act will be threatened by the risk of escapement; and

(c) the aquaculture product is delivered directly to the pond by the aquaculture facility.

(2) The exemption certificate shall have the legal effect of a certificate of registration for purposes of stocking the pond with the species, strain and reproductive capability of aquaculture product authorized in the exemption certificate.

(3) Aquaculture facilities supplying aquaculture product to private fish ponds operating under an exemption certificate shall comply with:

(a) the written terms of the exemption certificate; and

(b) the inspection and reporting requirements in R657-59-4.

(4) The exemption certificate will:

(a) designate the species, strain and reproductive capability of aquaculture product that may be stocked in the pond;

(b) identify any restrictions or conditions relative to stocking and maintaining aquaculture product in the pond;

(c) identify the owner, lessee, or operator of the private fish pond; and

(d) describe the private fish pond's location, including UTM coordinates.

(5) The private fish pond exemption certificate shall remain effective, without the requirement of renewal, for the useful life of the pond, provided:

(a) the ownership of the pond does not change;

(b) the pond, screen, and inflow and outflow structures remain in the same state that existed when inspected;

(c) the species, strain, and reproductive capability of aquaculture product stocked and maintained in the pond remains

consistent with the that authorized in the exemption certificate; and

(d) the exemption certificate is not modified, terminated, or suspended by the division pursuant to Section 23-19-9, R657-59-1(3), or R657-59-17 or a court of competent jurisdiction.

(6) Any private fish pond operating under authority of an exemption certificate which is modified, terminated, or suspended pursuant to Section 23-19-9, R657-59-1(3), or R657-59-17 shall be subject to the aquaculture product depopulation requirements in R657-59-8.

R657-59-8. Failure to Renew Certificates of Registration.

(1) If an owner, lessee, or operator of a private fish pond fails to renew the certificate of registration upon expiration, or the division suspends or terminates the certificate of registration, all live aquaculture products permitted under the certificate of registration shall be disposed of as follows:

(a) Unless the Wildlife Board orders otherwise, all aquaculture products must be removed within 30 days of suspension or the expiration date of the certificate of registration, or within 30 days after ice-free conditions on the water; or

(b) At the discretion of the division, aquaculture products may remain in the waters at the facility, but shall only be taken as prescribed within Rule R657-13 for Taking Fish and Crayfish.

(2) Aquaculture products in a private fish pond may not be moved alive unless the pond has received disease testing and is issued a health approval number from the Department of Agriculture and Food pursuant to Section 4-37-501.

(3) Aquaculture products from a private fish pond infected with any pathogen specified in the Department of Agriculture Rule R58-17 must be disposed of as directed by the division to prevent further spread of such pathogen.

R657-59-9. Reporting Requirements for Private Fish Ponds Authorized by Certificate of Registration.

(1) Any person that possesses a certificate of registration for a private fish pond must submit to the division an annual report of all live aquaculture products purchased or acquired during the year. This report must contain the following information:

(a) the name, address, and phone number of the private fish pond's owner, lessee, or operator;

(b) name, address, and certificate of registration number of the seller or supplier;

(c) the number and weight of aquaculture product by:

(i) species;

(ii) strain; and

(iii) reproductive capability;

(d) date of sale or transfer;

(2) A form for this information is provided by the division.

(3) The annual report must be received by the division no later than January 30.

R657-59-10. Importation.

(1)(a) The species, strains, and reproductive capabilities of live aquaculture products that may be imported and stocked in a private fish pond without a certificate of registration are provided in R657-59-16;

(b) A certificate of registration or exemption certificate is required to import and stock all species, strains and reproductive capabilities of live aquaculture products not specifically exempted from licensure in R657-59-16.

(2) Applications to import aquaculture products are available from all division offices and must be submitted to the division's Wildlife Registration Office in Salt Lake City. Applications may require up to 30 days for action.

R657-59-11. Acquiring and Transferring Aquaculture Products.

(1) Live aquaculture products, other than ornamental fish, may be:

(a) purchased or acquired only from sources that have a valid certificate of registration from the Utah Department of Agriculture and Food to sell such products or from a person located outside Utah if that person is approved by the Utah Department of Agriculture and Food to import the particular aquaculture product; and

(b) acquired, purchased or transferred only from sources which have been health approved by the Utah Department of Agriculture and Food and assigned a fish health approval number as provided in Section 4-37-501. This also applies to separate facilities owned by the same entity since each facility is treated separately, regardless of ownership.

(2)(a) Any person who has been issued a valid certificate of registration may transport live aquaculture products as specified on the certificate of registration to the private fish pond.

(b) All transfers or shipments of live aquaculture products must be accompanied by documentation of the source and destination of the product, including:

(i) name, address, certificate of registration number, and fish health approval number of the source;

(ii) number and weight being shipped, by species; and

(iii) name, address, and certificate of registration number, if applicable, of the destination.

R657-59-12. Inspection of Records and Facilities.

(1) The following records and information must be maintained for a period of two years and must be available for inspection by a division representative during reasonable hours:

(a) records of purchase and acquisition of aquaculture products, including records maintained in connection with the reporting requirements in R657-59-9;

(b) certificates of registration; and

(c) valid identification of stocks.

(2) The division and its authorized representatives may inspect a private fish pond at any time to verify compliance with the requirements of Title 23 of the Utah Code and this rule, and to conduct pathological testing.

R657-59-13. Prohibited Activities.

(1) A private fish pond may not be developed on a natural lake; natural flowing stream; or reservoir constructed on a natural stream channel.

(2) Live aquatic wildlife may not be collected from the wild and placed in a private fish pond.

(3) Any aquaculture product received or held in a private fish pond may not be released from the pond or transported live to another location.

(4) A private fish pond owner, lessee, or operator may not sell, donate, or transfer from the pond live aquaculture product, including gametes and eggs.

R657-59-14. Fishing License and Transportation of Dead Aquaculture Product.

(1) A fishing license is not required to take fish from a legally recognized private fish pond.

(2) A fishing license is not required to transport dead aquaculture product from a private fish pond, provided the person possesses a receipt with the following information:

(a) species and number of fish;

(b) date caught;

(c) certificate of registration number or exemption certificate number of the private fish pond, where applicable; and

(d) name, address, and telephone number of the owner,

lessee, or operator of the private fish pond.

(3) Any person that has a valid fishing license may transport up to a legal limit of dead aquaculture product from a private fish pond without further documentation.

R657-59-15. Screen Requirements.

(1) All inlets and outlets of a private fish pond must be screened as follows to prevent the movement of aquatic wildlife into the pond or the escapement of any aquaculture product from the pond:

(a) the screen shall be constructed of durable materials that are capable of maintaining integrity in a water and air environment for an extended period of time;

(b) the screen shall have no openings, seams or mesh width greater than the width of the fish being stocked;

(c) screen construction and placement shall eliminate any movement of aquaculture product into or out of the pond;

(d) screen dimensions shall be based on precluding escapement of the size of the fish being stocked;

(e) all water entering or leaving the pond, including run off and other high water events, shall flow through a screen consistent with the requirements of this subsection; and

(f) the screen shall be maintained and in place at all times while any aquaculture product remains in the pond.

(2) Ponds with no inlet or outlet to the surface waters of the state are not required to have a screen or device to restrict movement of aquaculture product.

R657-59-16. Species, Strains, and Reproductive Capabilities of Aquaculture Product Authorized by Area for Stocking in Private Fish Ponds Without a Certificate of Registration or Exemption Certificate.

(1) A certificate of registration or exemption certificate must be obtained from the division pursuant to R657-59-6 and R657-59-7 prior to stocking in any private fish pond:

(a) non-salmonid aquaculture product; or

(b) any other species or reproductive capability of aquaculture product not specifically authorized in this Section.

(2)(a) The following subsections designate areas closed to stocking aquaculture product in private fish ponds using a general area identifier such canyon, creek, spring, or location and then followed by a specific area identifier in the form of hydrologic unit code (HUC) or township and range.

(b) The general area identifier is included for purposes of reference only and may include all or part of the associated drainage.

(c) The HUC or township and range designations constitute the legal descriptions of the actual closed areas.

(3) Certified sterile salmonid aquaculture product may be stocked without a certificate of registration or exemption certificate in any private fish pond within the state consistent with R657-59-3, except for ponds located within the following areas:

(a) Washington County - stocking is prohibited in the following areas:

(i) Ash Creek - HUC 150100080405;

(ii) Beaver Dam Wash - HUC 15010010;

(iii) Laverkin Creek - HUC 150100080302;

(iv) Leeds Creek - HUC 150100080906;

(v) Baker Dam Reservoir/Santa Clara River - HUC 150100080704;

(vi) Tobin Wash - HUC 150100080802;

(vii) Sand Cove Wash - HUC 150100080801;

(viii) Manganese Wash/Santa Clara River - HUC 150100080804;

(ix) Wittwer Canyon/Santa Clara River - HUC 150100080808;

(x) Cove Wash/Santa Clara River - HUC 150100080809;

(xi) Moody Wash - HUC 150100080603;

(xii) Upper Moody Wash - HUC 150100080602;

(xiii) Magotsu Creek - HUC 150100080704;

(xiv) South Ash Creek - HUC 150100080405) ;

(xv) Water Canyon - HUC 150100080701) ;

(xvi) Chinatown Wash/Virgin River - HUC 150100080508;

(xvii) Lower Gould Wash - HUC 150100080508;

(xviii) Grapevine Wash/Virgin River - HUC 150100080903;

(xix) Cottonwood Wash/Virgin River - HUC 150100080909;

(xx) Middleton Wash/Virgin River - HUC 150100080910;

(xxi) Lower Fort Pierce Wash - HUC 150100080605;

(xxii) Atkinville Wash - HUC 150100080303;

(xxiii) Lizard Wash - HUC 150100080302;

(xxiv) Val Wash/Virgin River - HUC 150100080307;

(xxv) Bulldog Canyon - HUC 150100080310; and

(xxvi) Fort Pierce Wash - HUC 15010009.

(4) Fertile rainbow trout may be stocked without a certificate of registration or exemption certificate in any private fish pond within the state consistent with R657-59-3, except for ponds located within the following areas and elevations:

Beaver County - stocking is prohibited in the following:

(i) North Creek - HUCs 160300070203, 160300070208; and

(ii) Pine Creek (near Sulphurdale) - HUC 160300070501.

(b) Box Elder County - stocking is prohibited in the following:

(i) Morison Creek - HUC 16020308;

(ii) Bettridge Creek - HUC 16020308;

(iii) Death Creek - HUC 16020308;

(iv) Camp Creek - HUC 16020308;

(v) Goose Creek - HUC 17040211;

(vi) Raft River - HUC 17040210;

(vii) Fat Whorled Pond Snail Springs - Township 10 North, Ranges 4 and 5 West; and

(viii) Mantua Reservoir - HUC 16010204.

(c) Cache County - stocking is prohibited in the following:

(i) Logan River - HUC 16010203;

(ii) Blacksmith Fork - HUC 16010203;

(iii) East Fork Little Bear River - HUC 16010203; and

(iv) Little Bear River - HUC 16010203.

(d) Carbon County - stocking is prohibited in any private fish pond above 7000 feet in elevation.

(e) Daggett County - stocking is prohibited in any private fish pond above 7000 feet in elevation.

(f) Davis County - no areas closed to stocking fertile rainbow trout.

(g) Duchesne County - stocking is prohibited in any private fish pond above 7000 feet in elevation.

(h) Emery County - stocking is prohibited in any private fish pond above 7000 feet in elevation.

(i) Garfield County - stocking is prohibited in the following areas:

(i) Birch Creek/Main Canyon - HUC 140700050102;

(ii) Cottonwood Creek - HUC 160300020406;

(iii) East Fork of Boulder Creek/ West Fork Boulder Creek - HUC 140700050206; and

(iv) Ranch Creek (East Fork Sevier River drainage) - HUC 160300020405.

(j) Grand County - stocking is prohibited in any private fish pond above 7000 feet in elevation.

(k) Iron County - no areas closed to stocking fertile rainbow trout.

(l) Juab County - stocking is prohibited in the following areas:

(i) Sulphur Wash - HUC 160203011303;

(ii) Middle Pleasant Valley Draw - HUC 160203011402;

(iii) Lower Pleasant Valley Draw - HUC 160203011403;

(iv) Cookscomb Ridge - HUC 160203011501;
(v) Outlet Salt Marsh Lake - HUC 160203011502;
(vi) Deep Creek Range - HUC 160203011503;
(vii) Snake Valley - HUC 160203011504;
(viii) Little Red Cedar Wash - HUC 160203011505;
(ix) Trout Creek - HUC 160203060101;
(x) Smelter Knolls - HUC 160203060104;
(xi) Toms Creek - HUC 160203060201;
(xii) Goshute Canyon - HUC 160203060202;
(xiii) Indian Farm Creek - HUC 160203060204;
(xiv) Spring Creek - HUC 160203060803;
(xv) Fifteenmile Creek - HUC 160203060804;
(xvi) East Creek/East Deep Creek - HUC 160203060805;
(xvii) East Creek/East Deep Creek - HUC 160203060806;
(xviii) West Deep Creek - HUC 160203060808;
(xix) Horse Valley - HUC 160203060304;
(xx) Starvation Canyon - HUC 160203060305;
(xxi) Cane Springs - HUC 160203060307;
(xxii) Fish Springs Range - HUC 160203060308;
(xxiii) Middle Fish Springs Wash - HUC 160203060309;
(xxiv) Lower Fish Springs Wash - HUC 160203060403;
(xxv) Fish Springs - HUC 160203060405;
(xxvi) Wilson Health Springs - HUC 160203060407;
(xxvii) Vernon Creek - HUC 160203040102;
(xxviii) Outlet Chicken Creek - HUC 160300050206;
(xxix) Little Valley/Sevier River - HUC 160300050403;
(xxx) Pole Creek/Salt Creek - HUC 160202010104; and
(xxxi) West Creek/Current Creek - HUC160202010107.

(m) Kane County - no areas closed to stocking fertile rainbow trout.

(n) Millard County - stocking is prohibited in the following areas:
(i) Outlet Salt Marsh Lake - HUC 160203011502;
(ii) Sulphur Wash - HUC160203011303;
(iii) Cockscomb Ridge - HUC 160203011501;
(iv) Tungstonia Wash - HUC 160203011302;
(v) Salt Marsh Lake - HUC 160203011304;
(vi) Indian George Wash - HUC 160203011301
(vii) Outlet Bishop Springs - HUC 160203011203;
(viii) Warm Creek - HUC 160203011204;
(ix) Headwaters Bishop Springs - HUC 160203011202;
(x) Indian Pass - HUC 160203011107;
(xi) Chevron Ridge - HUC 160203011110;
(xii) Petes Knoll - HUC 160203011109;
(xiii) Red Gulch - HUC 160203011102;
(xiv) Horse Canyon - HUC 160203011106;
(xv) Hampton Creek - HUC 160203011105;
(xvi) Knoll Springs - HUC 160203011103;
(xvii) Browns Wash - HUC 160203011101;
(xviii) Outlet Baker Creek - HUC 160203011004;
(xix) Outlet Old Mans Canyon - HUC 160203011003;
(xx) Hendrys Creek - HUC 160203011104;
(xxi) Headwaters Old Mans Canyon - HUC 160203011002;
(xxii) Rock Canyon - HUC 160203011001
(xxiii) Silver Creek - Baker Creek - HUC 160203010806;
(xxiv) Outlet Weaver Creek - HUC 160203010804;
(xxv) Conger Spring - HUC 160203010702; and
(xxvi) Sheepmens Little Valley - HUC 160203010607.

(o) Morgan County - stocking is prohibited in the following areas:
(i) Weber River - HUC 16020102;
(ii) East Canyon Creek - HUC 16020102; and
(iii) Lost Creek - HUC 16020101.

(p) Piute County - stocking is prohibited in the following areas:
(i) Manning Creek - HUC 160300030203.

(q) Rich County - stocking is prohibited in the following areas:
(i) Bear Lake including all its tributaries - HUC 16010201;
(ii) Big Creek - HUC 16010101;
(iii) Woodruff Creek - HUC 16010101; and
(iv) Home Canyon and Meachum Canyon (Deseret Ranch) - HUC 16010101.

(r) Salt Lake County - stocking is prohibited in the following areas:
(i) Big Cottonwood Canyon Creek - HUC 160202040201;
(ii) Little Cottonwood Canyon Creek - HUC 160202040202;
(iii) Mill Creek - HUC 160202040301;
(iv) Parleys Creek - HUC 160202040302;
(v) Emigration Creek - HUC 160202040303;
(vi) City Creek - HUC 160202040304; and
(vii) Red Butte Creek/Emigration Creek - HUC 160202040306.

(s) San Juan County - stocking is prohibited in any private fish pond above 7000 feet in elevation.

(t) Sanpete County:
(i) stocking is prohibited in the following areas west of the Manti Mountain Range divide:
(A) Dry Creek/San Pitch River - HUC 160300040201;
(B) Oak Creek/San Pitch River - HUC 160300040202;
(C) Cottonwood Canyon/San Pitch River - HUC 160300040203;
(D) Birch Creek/San Pitch River - HUC 160300040204;
(E) Pleasant Creek - HUC 160300040205;
(F) Dublin Wash/San Pitch River - HUC 160300040206;
(G) Cedar Creek - HUC 160300040207;
(H) Spring Hollow/San Pitch River - HUC 160300040208;
(I) Upper Oak Creek - HUC 160300040302;
(J) Petes Canyon/San Pitch River - HUC 160300040306;
(K) Uinta Gulch - HUC 160202020201;
(L) Upper Thistle Creek - HUC 160202020202;
(M) Nebo Creek - HUC 160202020203;
(N) Middle Thistle Creek - HUC 160202020204;
(O) Dry Canyon/San Pitch River - HUC 160300040308;
(P) Maple Canyon/San Pitch River - HUC 160300040309;
(Q) Gunnison Reservoir/San Pitch River - HUC 160300040503;
(R) Outlet San Pitch River - HUC 160300040505;
(S) Beaver Creek - HUC 140700020201;
(T) Box Canyon/Muddy Creek - HUC 140700020203;
(U) Skumpah Creek-Salina Creek - HUC 160300030402; and
(V) Headwaters Twelvemile Creek - HUC 160300040402.
(ii) stocking is prohibited in any private fish pond above 7000 feet in elevation east of the Manti Mountain Range divided.

(u) Sevier County - stocking is prohibited in the following areas:
(i) Pole Creek (tributary to Clear Creek) - HUC 160300030103;
(ii) Salina Creek - HUC 160300030402; and
(iii) U M Creek - HUC 140700030101.

(v) Summit County - stocking is prohibited in the following areas:
(i) Bear River and all tributaries - HUC 16010101;
(ii) Mill Creek and all tributaries - HUC 16010101;
(iii) Muddy Creek and Van Tassel Creek - HUC 14040108;
(iv) Little West Fork/Blacks Fork - HUC 14040107;
(v) Black Fork - HUC 14040107;
(vi) Archie Creek - HUC 14040107;
(vii) West Fork Smiths Fork - HUC 14040107;
(viii) Gilbert Creek - HUC 14040107;
(ix) East Fork Smiths Fork - HUC 14040107;
(x) Dahalgreen Creek - HUC 14040106;

(xi) Henrys Fork - HUC 14040106;
(xii) Spring Creek and Poison Creek - HUC 14040106;
(xiii) West Fork Beaver Creek - HUC 14040106;
(xiv) Middle Fork Beaver Creek - HUC 14040106;
(xv) Echo Creek - HUC 16020101;
(xvi) Chalk Creek - HUC 16020101;
(xvii) Silver Creek - HUC 16020101;
(xviii) Weber River - HUC 16020101;
(xix) Beaver Creek - HUC 16020101;
(xx) Provo River - HUC 16020101;
(xxi) Kimball Creek - HUC 160201020101;
(xxii) Big Dutch Hollow/East Canyon Creek - HUC 160201020103;
(xxiii) Silver Creek - HUC 160201010403; and
(xxiv) Toll Canyon/East Canyon Creek - HUC 160201020102.
(w) Tooele County - stocking is prohibited in the following areas:
(i) Toms Creek - HUC 160203060201;
(ii) Goshute Canyon - HUC 160203060202;
(iii) Eightmile Wash - HUC 160203060203;
(iv) Indian Farm Creek - HUC 160203060204;
(v) Willow Spring Wash HUC 160203060205;
(vi) Willow Canyon - HUC 160203080104;
(vii) Bettridge Creek - HUC 160203080106;
(viii) East Creek/East Deep Creek - HUC 160203060806;
(ix) East Deep Creek - HUC 160203060807;
(x) West Deep Creek - HUC 160203060808;
(xi) Gullmette Gulch/Deep Creek - HUC 160203060902;
(xii) Pony Express Canyon/Deep Creek - HUC 160203060904;
(xiii) Badlands - HUC 160203060905;
(xiv) White Sage Flat/Deep Creek - HUC 160203060907;
(xv) Lower Fish Springs Wash - HUC 160203060403;
(xvi) Fish Springs - HUC 160203060405;
(xvii) Wilson Health Springs - HUC 160203060407;
(xviii) East Government Creek - HUC 160203040101;
(xix) Vernon Creek - HUC 160203040102; and
(xx) Faust Creek - HUC 160203040105.
(x) Uintah County - stocking is prohibited in any private fish pond above 7000 feet in elevation.
(y) Utah County - stocking is prohibited in the following areas:
(i) Starvation Creek - HUC 160202020101;
(ii) Upper Soldier Creek - HUC 160202020102;
(iii) Tie Fork - HUC 160202020103;
(iv) Middle Soldier Creek - HUC 160202020105;
(v) Lake Fork - HUC 160202020106;
(vi) Lower Soldier Creek - HUC 160202020107;
(vii) Upper Thistle Creek - HUC 160202020202;
(viii) Nebo Creek - HUC 160202020203;
(ix) Middle Thistle Creek - HUC 160202020204;
(x) Lower Thistle Creek - HUC 160202020205;
(xi) Sixth Water Creek - HUC 160202020301;
(xii) Cottonwood Canyon - HUC 160202020302;
(xiii) Fifth Water Creek - HUC160202020303;
(xiv) Upper Diamond Fork - HUC 160202020304;
(xv) Wanrhodes Canyon - HUC 160202020305;
(xvi) Middle Diamond Fork - HUC 160202020306;
(xvii) Lower Diamond Fork - HUC 160202020307;
(xviii) Headwaters Left Fork Hobble Creek - HUC 160202020401;
(xix) Headwaters Right Fork Hobble Creek - HUC 160202020402;
(xx) Outlet Left Fork Hobble Creek - HUC 160202020403;
(xxi) Outlet Right Fork Hobble Creek - HUC 160202020404;
(xxii) Upper Spanish Fork Creek - HUC 160202020501;
(xxiii) Middle Spanish Fork Creek - HUC 160202020502;
(xxiv) Peteetneet Creek - HUC 160202020601;
(xxv) Spring Creek - HUC 160202020602;
(xxvi) Beer Creek - HUC 160202020603;
(xxvii) Big Spring Hollow/South Fork Provo River - HUC 160202030502;
(xxviii) Pole Creek/Salt Creek - HUC 160202010104;
(xxix) Middle American Fork Canyon - HUC 160202010802;
(xxx) Mill Fork - HUC 160202020104; and
(xxxi) Upper American Fork Canyon - HUC 160202010801.
(z) Wasatch County - stocking is prohibited in the following areas:
(i) Willow Creek/Strawberry River - HUC 140600040101;
(ii) Clyde Creek/Strawberry River - HUC 140600040102;
(iii) Indian Creek - HUC140600040104;
(iv) Trout Creek/Strawberry River - HUC 140600040105;
(v) Soldier Creek/Strawberry River - HUC 140600040106;
(vi) Willow Creek - HUC 140600040301;
(vii) Current Creek Reservoir - HUC 140600040401;
(viii) Little Red Creek - HUC 140600040402;
(ix) Outlet Current Creek - HUC 140600040403;
(x) Water Hollow/Current Creek - HUC 140600040404;
(xi) Headwaters West Fork Duchesne River - HUC 140600030101;
(xii) Little South Fork Provo River - HUC 160202030201;
(xiii) Bench Creek/Provo River - HUC160202030202;
(xiv) Lady Long Hollow/Provo River - HUC 160202030203;
(xv) Charcoal Canyon/Provo River - HUC 160202030204;
(xvi) Drain Tunnel Creek - HUC 160202030301;
(xvii) Lake Creek - HUC 160202030302;
(xviii) Center Creek - HUC 160202030303;
(xix) Cottonwood Canyon/Provo River - HUC 160202030304;
(xx) Snake Creek - HUC 160202030305;
(xxi) Spring Creek/Provo River - HUC 160202030306;
(xxii) Daniels Creek - HUC 160202030401;
(xxiii) Upper Main Creek - HUC 160202030403;
(xxiv) Lower Main Creek - HUC 160202030404;
(xxv) Deer Creek Reservoir-Provo River - HUC160202030405;
(xxvi) Provo Deer Creek - HUC 160202030501;
(xxvii) Little Hobble Creek - HUC 160202030402;
(xxviii) Mill Hollow/South Fork Provo River - HUC 160202030104; and
(xxix) Mud Creek - HUC 140600040103.
(aa) Washington County - stocking is prohibited in the following areas:
(i) Ash Creek - HUC 150100080405;
(ii) Beaver Dam Wash - HUC 15010010;
(iii) Laverkin Creek - HUC 150100080302;
(iv) Leeds Creek - HUC 150100080906;
(v) Baker Dam Reservoir/Santa Clara River - HUC 150100080704;
(vi) Tobin Wash - HUC 150100080802;
(vii) Sand Cove Wash - HUC 150100080801;
(viii) Manganese Wash/Santa Clara River - HUC 150100080804;
(ix) Wittwer Canyon/Santa Clara River - HUC 150100080808;
(x) Cove Wash/Santa Clara River - HUC 150100080809;
(xi) Moody Wash - HUC 150100080603;
(xii) Upper Moody Wash - HUC 150100080602;
(xiii) Magotsu Creek - HUC 150100080704;
(xiv) South Ash Creek - HUC 150100080405) ;
(xv) Water Canyon - HUC 150100080701) ;
(xvi) Chinatown Wash/Virgin River - HUC

150100080508;
(xvii) Lower Gould Wash - HUC 150100080508;
(xviii) Grapevine Wash/Virgin River - HUC 150100080903;
(xix) Cottonwood Wash/Virgin River - HUC 150100080909;
(xx) Middleton Wash/Virgin River - HUC 150100080910;
(xxi) Lower Fort Pierce Wash - HUC 150100080605;
(xxii) Atkinville Wash - HUC 150100080303;
(xxiii) Lizard Wash - HUC 150100080302;
(xxiv) Val Wash/Virgin River - HUC 150100080307;
(xxv) Bulldog Canyon - HUC 150100080310; and
(xxvi) Fort Pierce Wash - HUC 15010009.
(bb) Wayne County - no areas closed to stocking fertile rainbow trout.
(cc) Weber County - stocking is prohibited in the following areas:
(i) North Fork Ogden River - HUC 16020102;
(ii) Middle Fork Ogden River and Gertsen Creek - HUC 16020102; and
(iii) South Fork Ogden River and Gertsen Creek - HUC 16020102.

R657-59-17. Division Authority to Restrict Private Fish Ponds.

(1)(a) Stocking and maintaining aquaculture products in private fish ponds pursuant to this rule is a conditional privilege that is subject to unilateral modification or termination by the division or other competent legal authority.
(b) Those who establish and maintain private fish ponds under this rule do so with the understanding that the laws and regulations governing private fish ponds are subject to change and that such changes may require:
(i) discontinuation of stocking particular species, strains, or reproductive capabilities of aquaculture product in the pond;
(ii) partial or complete depopulation of the aquaculture product in the pond;
(iii) modifications in screen requirements and other structural elements associated with the pond; or
(iv) new restrictions and requirements in connection with operating the pond and maintaining the aquaculture product within it.
(2) The division may unilaterally restrict a private fish pond operating with or without a certificate of registration or exemption certificate from receiving or possessing particular species, strains and reproductive capabilities of aquaculture product previously authorized when stocking or continued possession of the product in the pond:
(a) violates any federal, state or local law or any agreement between the state and another party;
(b) negatively impacts native wildlife species listed by the division as sensitive or by the federal government as threatened or endangered;
(c) poses an identifiable adverse threat to other wildlife species or their habitat; or
(d) poses an identifiable adverse impact to the division's game fish stocking regimes or wildlife management objectives.
(3) Any costs or losses incurred as the result of future modifications to this rule or the operational status of a private fish pond made pursuant to this section, including terminations and depopulations, shall be borne exclusively by the owner, lessee or operator of the private fish pond.

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R708. Public Safety, Driver License.
R708-41. Requirements for Acceptable Documentation.
R708-41-1. Purpose.

The purpose of this rule is to define acceptable documentation pursuant to Title 53, Chapter 3.

R708-41-2. Authority.

This rule is authorized by Section 53-3-104.

R708-41-3. Definitions.

(1) "Utah Residence address" means the place where an individual has a fixed permanent home and principal establishment in Utah and in which the individual voluntarily resides, that is not for a special or temporary purpose. Under unique situations that require an individual to be under temporary care, custody or treatment of a government, public or private business the Division may authorize the sponsoring agency to sign an affidavit verifying the residence of the applicant. Upon approval from the Division Director or designee, the Division will recognize the sponsoring agency's address as the Utah residence address for the individual.

(2) "Legal Presence" means that an individual's presence in the United States does not violate state or federal law.

R708-41-4. Obtaining a Utah Driving Privilege Card, Driver License, Commercial Driver License or an Identification Card.

(1) An applicant seeking to obtain a Utah Driving Privilege Card, Driver license, Commercial Driver License or an Identification Card must:

(a) provide two different forms of identification from the following list to verify full legal name, date of birth, and gender pursuant to Section 53-3-205(9)(a) and 53-3-804 (2):

(i) Certificate of Naturalization;
(ii) Certificate of Citizenship;
(iii) driver license issued in the United States;
(iv) foreign birth certificate with certified translation;
(v) I-94 card or INS I-551 card;
(vi) Indian Blood Certificate;
(vii) Matricular Consular ID Card (Issued in Utah);
(viii) Resident Alien Card;
(ix) U.S. Birth Certificate (from Vital Records);
(x) U.S. Certificate of Birth Abroad;
(xi) U.S. Military Identification Card or DD-214;
(xii) U.S. Passport; and
(xiii) other documentation furnished by the individual if it can be determined that the documentation unequivocally demonstrates proof of identity.

(b) provide the applicant's Utah residence address. PO Boxes and business addresses are not accepted; and

(c) provide two different types of original (current and valid) documents from the following list as proof of a Utah resident address.

(i) property tax notice, statement or receipt, within one year;
(ii) utility bill, billing date within 60 days, (no cell phone bills);
(iii) Utah vehicle registration or title;
(iv) bank statement, within 60 days;
(v) recent mortgage papers;
(vi) current residential rental contract;
(vii) major credit card bill, within 60 days;
(viii) court order of probation, order of parole or order of mandatory release, must display residential address;
(ix) transcripts from an accredited college, university, or high school; or
(x) other documentation furnished by the individual if it can be determined that the documentation unequivocally demonstrates proof of residency or domicile.

(2) An applicant for a Utah Driving Privilege Card must also provide:

(a) a valid Individual Tax Identification Number (ITIN) card issued by the Internal Revenue Service; or

(b) effective July 1, 2005, documentation from the following list, as requested by the division, to verify that the applicant is a citizen of a country other than the United States, is legally present in the United States, and does not qualify for a Social Security Number:

(i) valid foreign passport with appropriate immigration document(s);
(ii) INS-I-551 Resident Alien Card issued since 1997 (cards issued prior to this date need to be screened for appropriate security features);
(iii) INS I-688 Temporary Resident Identification Card;
(iv) INS I-688B, I-766 Employment Authorization Card;
(v) U.S. Department of Receptions and Placement Program Assurance Form (Refugee); or
(vi) other documentation furnished by the individual if it can be determined that the documentation unequivocally demonstrates that the applicant is a citizen of a country other than the United States, is legally present in the United States, and does not qualify for a Social Security Number.

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R710. Public Safety, Fire Marshal.
R710-1. Concerns Servicing Portable Fire Extinguishers.
R710-1-1. Adoption, Title, Purpose, and Prohibitions.

Pursuant to Section 53-7-204, Utah Code Annotated 1953, the Utah Fire Prevention Board adopts minimum rules to provide regulation to those concerns that service Portable Fire Extinguishers.

There is adopted as part of these rules the following code which is incorporated by reference:

1.1 National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), Standard 10, Standard for Portable Fire Extinguishers, 2007 edition, except as amended by provisions listed in R710-1-8, et seq.

1.2 A copy of the above mentioned standard is on file in the Office of Administrative Rules and the State Fire Marshal's Office.

1.3 Validity.

If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase, of these rules is, for any reason, held to be unconstitutional, contrary to statute, or exceeding the authority of the SFM, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion of these rules.

1.4 Order of Precedence.

In the event of any difference between these rules and any adopted reference material, the text of these rules shall govern. When a specific provision varies from a general provision, the specific provision shall apply.

R710-1-2. Definitions.

2.1 "Annual" means a period of one year or 365 calendar days.

2.2 "Board" means Utah Fire Prevention Board.

2.3 "Branch Office" means any location, other than the primary business location, where business license, telephone, advertising and servicing equipment is utilized.

2.4 "Certificates of Registration" means a written document issued by the SFM to any person for the purpose of granting permission to such person to perform any act or acts for which authorization is required.

2.5 "Concern" means a person, firm, corporation, partnership, or association, licensed by the SFM.

2.6 "Employee" means those persons who work for a licensed concern, and may include, but shall not be limited to, those persons who work on a contractual basis.

2.7 "License" means a written document issued by the SFM authorizing a concern to engage in the business of servicing portable fire extinguishers.

2.8 "NFPA" means National Fire Protection Association.

2.9 "Repair" means any work performed on, or to, any portable fire extinguisher, and not defined as charging, recharging, or hydrostatic testing.

2.10 "SFM" means State Fire Marshal or authorized deputy.

2.11 "UCA" means Utah State Code Annotated 1953 as amended.

2.12 "USDOT" means the United States Department of Transportation.

R710-1-3. Licensing.

3.1 License Required.

No person or concern shall engage in the servicing of portable fire extinguishers without a license issued by the SFM, pursuant to these rules, expressly authorizing such concern to perform such acts.

3.2 Application.

3.2.1 Application for a license to engage in the business of, or perform the servicing of portable fire extinguishers, shall be made in writing to the SFM on forms provided by the SFM. A separate application for license shall be made for each separate place or business location of the applicant (branch office).

3.2.2 The application for a license to engage in the business of, or perform the servicing of portable fire extinguishers, shall be accompanied with proof of public liability insurance. The public liability insurance shall be issued by a public liability insurance carrier showing coverage of at least $100,000 for each incident, and $300,000 in total coverage. The licensee shall notify the SFM within thirty days after the public liability insurance coverage required is no longer in effect for any reason.

3.3 Signature of Application.

The application shall be signed by the applicant. If the application is made by a partnership, it shall be signed by all partners. If the application is made by a corporation or association other than a partnership, it shall be signed by a principal officer.

3.4 Equipment Inspection.

The applicant or licensee shall allow the SFM, and any of his properly authorized deputies to enter, examine, and inspect any premise, building, room, establishment, or vehicle, used by the applicant in servicing portable fire extinguishers to determine compliance with the provisions of these rules. The inspection will be conducted during normal business hours, and the owner or manager will be given a minimum of 24 hours notice before the appointed inspection. The equipment inspection may be conducted on an annual basis, and consent to inspect will be obtained. The applicant, license holder or certified employee of the license holder, may be asked during the inspection by the SFM or any of his deputies, to demonstrate skills or knowledge used in servicing of portable fire extinguishers.

3.5 Issuance.

Following receipt of the properly completed application, and compliance with the provision of the statute and these rules, the SFM shall issue a license.

3.6 Original License and Inspection.

Original licenses shall be valid for one year from the date of application. Thereafter, each license shall be renewed annually and renewals shall be valid for one year from issuance. No original license shall be issued until the satisfactory completion of a materials, equipment and performance inspection by the SFM.

3.7 Renewal License and Inspection.

Application for renewal shall be made as directed by the SFM. The failure to renew the license will cause the license to become invalid. No renewal license will be issued until the satisfactory completion of a materials, equipment and performance inspection by the SFM. Beginning March 4, 2003, through February 29, 2004, renewal dates for licensed concerns will be based upon the inspection date and valid for a one-year period of time. Renewal license fees shall be prorated monthly, and monthly fees already paid in that time period shall be credited towards the renewal license fee.

3.8 Refusal to Renew.

The SFM may refuse to renew any license in the same manner, and for any reason, that he is authorized, pursuant to Section 9 of these rules to deny a license. The applicant shall, upon such refusal, have the same rights as are granted by Section 9 of these rules to an applicant for an original license which has been denied by the SFM.

3.9 Change of Address.

Every licensee shall notify the SFM, in writing, within thirty (30) days, of any change of his address or location.

3.10 Under Another Name.

No licensee shall conduct his licensed business under a name other than the name or names which appears on his license.

3.11 List of Licensed Concerns.

The SFM shall make available, upon request and without cost, to the chief fire official of each local fire authority, the name, address, and license number of each concern that is licensed pursuant to these rules. Upon request, single copies of such list shall be furnished, without cost, to a licensed concern.

3.12 Inspection.

The holder of any license shall submit such license for inspection upon request of the SFM, or any of his properly authorized deputies, or any local fire official.

3.13 SFM Notification and Certification of Registration.

Every licensed concern shall, within thirty (30) days of employment, and within thirty (30) days of termination of any employee, report to the SFM, the name, address, and certificate of registration number, of every person performing any act of servicing portable fire extinguishers for such licensed concern in writing.

3.14 Type.

3.14.1 Every license shall be identified by type. The type of license issued shall be determined on the basis of the act or acts performed by the licensee or by any of the employees. Every licensed concern shall be staffed by qualified personnel, and shall be properly equipped to perform the act or acts for the type of license issued.

3.14.2 Licenses shall authorize any one, or any combination of the following types of activities:

3.14.2.1 Type 1 - Conducting of all activities, as per (2), (3), and (4) below, or

3.14.2.2 Type 2 - Conducting hydrostatic tests of fire extinguisher cylinders using the water jacket or ultrasonic test methods after receiving a Retesters Identification Number (RIN) issued by the United States Department of Transportation (USDOT), or

3.14.2.3 Type 3 - Conducting hydrostatic tests of fire extinguisher cylinders using the proof pressure test method after receiving a Retesters Identification Number (RIN) issued by the United States Department of Transportation (USDOT), or

3.14.2.4 Type 4 - Servicing, inspecting, and maintaining all types of extinguishers, excluding hydrostatic testing.

3.14.3 No licensed concern shall be prohibited from taking orders for the performance of any act or acts for which the concern has not been licensed to perform. Such orders shall be consigned to another licensed concern that is authorized to perform such act or acts.

3.15 Examination.

Every person who performs any act or acts within the scope of the license shall pass an examination in accordance with the provisions of section 4 of these rules.

3.16 Duplicate License.

A duplicate license may be issued by the SFM to replace any previously issued license, which has been lost or destroyed, upon the submission of a written statement from the licensee to the SFM. Such statement shall attest to the fact that the license has been lost or destroyed.

3.17 Employer Responsibility.

Every concern shall be responsible for the acts of its employees insofar as such acts apply to the marketing, sale, distribution, and servicing of any portable fire extinguisher.

3.18 Minimum Age.

No license shall be issued to any person as licensee who is under eighteen (18) years of age.

3.19 Restrictive Use.

3.19.1 No license shall constitute authorization for any licensee, or any of his employees, to enter upon, or into, any property or building other than by consent of the owner or manager.

3.19.2 No license shall constitute authorization for any licensee, or any of his employees, to enforce any provision, or provisions, of this rule, or the International Fire Code.

3.20 Non-Transferable.

No license issued pursuant to this section shall be transferred from one concern to another.

3.21 Registration Number.

3.21.1 Every license shall be identified by a number, delineated as E-(number). Such number may be transferred from one concern to another only when approved by the SFM.

3.22 Minimum Materials and Equipment Required.

At each business location or vehicle of the applicant where servicing work is performed the following minimum material and equipment requirements shall be maintained:

3.22.1 Type 4 license:

3.22.1.1 Nitrogen tank.

3.22.1.2 Nitrogen regulator and hose assembly.

3.22.1.3 Minimum of twelve (12) recharge adapters.

3.22.1.4 Valve cleaning brush.

3.22.1.5 Scoop.

3.22.1.6 Funnel for A:B:C.

3.22.1.7 Funnel for B:C.

3.22.1.8 A closed receptacle for dry chemical.

3.22.1.9 Fifty pound scale.

3.22.1.10 A scale for cartridges.

3.22.1.11 'O' Ring lubricant.

3.22.1.12 Tag hole Punch.

3.22.1.13 Approved seals maximum fourteen (14) pound break strength.

3.22.1.14 A copy of NFPA Standard 10 (1998 Edition), statute, and these rules.

3.22.1.15 Minimum parts:

3.22.1.15.1 A supply of O rings needed for standard service.

3.22.1.15.2 A supply of valve stems for standard service.

3.22.1.15.3 A supply of nozzles and hoses for standard extinguishers.

3.22.1.15.4 Pressure gauges for extinguisher types: 100, 150, 175, 195, 240 lbs.

3.22.1.15.5 Carry handles and replacement handles for extinguishers.

3.22.1.15.6 Rivets or steel roll pins for handles and levers.

3.22.1.15.7 Dry chemical cartridges as required by manufacture specifications, to include 4 lb., 10 lb., 20 lb. and 30 lb.

3.22.1.15.8 Inspection light for cylinders.

3.22.1.15.9 A variety of pull pins to secure handle.

3.22.1.15.10 Carbon Dioxide continuity tester for hoses.

3.22.1.16.11 Halon closed recovery system.

3.22.2 Type 3 License:

3.22.2.1 Approved testing pump with a current calibration certificate for the attached gauges.

3.22.2.2 Test cage or suitable safety barrier.

3.22.2.3 Approved hydro test labels.

3.22.2.4 Hydrostatic test adapters or approved equal.

3.22.2.5 Heater which produces a heated air or dry air for drying cylinders, or other approved dryer not to exceed 150 degrees Far. (66 degrees C).

3.22.3 Type 2 License:

Current registration number from the United States Department of Transportation (USDOT), verifying the concern as a qualified cylinder requalification facility under the provisions of the Code of Federal Regulations, 49 CFR, Section 173.34, shall be maintained for all concerns holding a type 1 or 2 license. A copy of the certification letter must be submitted to the SFM. All equipment required to perform the functions allowed as a qualified cylinder requalification facility, shall be maintained in good working order and available for inspection by the SFM.

3.22.4 Type 1 License:

All of the equipment, provisions, and numbers as required in License types 2, 3, and 4 shall be required for a Type 1 License.

3.23 Records.

Accurate records shall be maintained for five years back by the licensee of all service work performed. These records shall include the name and address of all servicing locations, and the date and name of the person performing the work. These records shall be made available to the SFM, or authorized deputies, upon request.

R710-1-4. Certificates of Registration.

4.1 Required Certificates of Registration.

No person shall service any portable fire extinguisher without a certificate of registration issued by the SFM pursuant to these rules expressly authorizing such person to perform such acts. The provisions of this section apply to the state, universities, a county, city, district, public authority, and any other political subdivision or public corporation in this State.

4.2 Exemptions.

The provisions of this section shall not apply to any person servicing any portable fire extinguisher owned by such person, when the portable fire extinguisher is not required by any statute, rule, or ordinance, to be provided or installed.

4.3 Application.

Application for a certificate of registration to service portable fire extinguishers shall be made in writing to the SFM on forms provided by him. The application shall be signed by the applicant.

4.4 Examination.

The SFM shall require all applicants for a certificate of registration to take and pass a written examination, which may be supplemented by practical tests, when deemed necessary, to determine the applicant's knowledge of servicing portable fire extinguishers. Picture identification of the applicant for a certificate of registration may be requested by the SFM or his deputies. Examinations will be given according to the following schedule and requirements:

4.4.1 On the first and third Tuesdays of each month. When holidays conflict with these days, the day immediately following will be used. An appointment shall be made to take an examination at least 24 hours in advance of the examination date.

4.4.2 Examinations may be given at various field locations as deemed necessary by the SFM. Appointments for field examinations are required.

4.4.3 All certification examinations given are open book examinations. The applicant is allowed to use the statute, the administrative rule, and the NFPA standard that applies to the certification examination. Any other materials to include cellular telephones are prohibited in the examination room.

4.4.4 Completion of the certification examination will not be allowed if it appears to the test administrator that the applicant has not prepared to take the examination.

4.4.5 Each certification examination taken has a time limit of two hours to completion. To successfully pass the written examination, the applicant must obtain a minimum grade of seventy percent (70%). Leaving the office or testing location before the completion of the examination voids the examination and will require the examination to be retaken by the applicant.

4.4.6 If there are different levels of proficiency in the subject matter, the lower proficiency level will be fully completed before the next higher proficiency will be administered.

4.5 Issuance.

Following receipt of the properly completed application, compliance with the provisions of these rules, and the successful completion of the required examination, the SFM shall issue a certificate of registration.

4.6 Original and Renewal Valid Date.

Original certificates of registration shall be valid for one year from the date of application. Thereafter, each certificate of registration shall be renewed annually and renewals shall be valid for one year from issuance. The holder of an invalid certificate of registration shall not perform any work on portable fire extinguishers.

4.7 Renewal Date.

Application for renewal shall be made as directed by the SFM. The failure to renew will cause the certificate of registration to become invalid. Beginning March 4, 2003 through February 29, 2004, renewal dates for certification of registrations will be based upon the license inspection date and valid for a one-year period of time. Renewal certificate of registrations shall be prorated monthly, and monthly fees already paid in that time period shall be credited towards the renewal fee.

4.8 Re-examination.

Every holder of a valid certificate of registration shall take a re-examination every five years, from date of original certificate, to comply with the provisions of Section 4.4 of these rules as follows:

4.8.1 The re-examination to comply with the provisions of Section 4.4 of these rules shall consist of one 25 question open book examination, to be mailed to the certificate holder at least 60 days before the renewal date.

4.8.2 The 25 question re-examination will consist of questions that focus on changes in the last five years to NFPA 10, the statute, or the adopted administrative rules. The re-examination may also consist of questions that focus on practices of concern as noted by the Board or the SFM.

4.8.3 The certificate holder is responsible to complete the re-examination and return it to the SFM in sufficient time to renew.

4.8.4 The certificate holder is responsible to return to the SFM the correct renewal fees to complete that certificate renewal.

4.9 Refusal to Renew.

The SFM may refuse to renew any certificate of registration in the same manner and for any reason that he is authorized, pursuant to Section 10, to deny an original certificate of registration. The applicant shall, upon such refusal, have the same rights as are granted by Section 10 of these rules to an applicant for an original certificate of registration which has been denied by the SFM.

4.10 Inspection.

The holder of a certificate of registration shall submit such certificate for inspection, upon request of the SFM, any of his properly authorized deputies, or any local fire official.

4.11 Type.

4.11.1 Every certificate of registration shall indicate the type of act or acts to be performed and for which the applicant has qualified.

4.11.2 No person holding a valid certificate of registration shall be authorized to perform any act unless he is a licensee or is employed by a licensed concern.

4.12 Change of Address.

Any change in home address of any holder of a valid certificate of registration shall be reported in writing, by the registered person to the SFM within thirty (30) days of such change. Such change shall also be made on the reverse side of the certificate of registration by the holder.

4.13 Duplicate.

A duplicate certificate of registration may be issued by the SFM to replace any previously issued certificate which has been lost or destroyed upon the submission of a written statement to the SFM from the certified person. Such statement shall attest to the certificate having been lost or destroyed.

4.14 Minimum Age.

No certificate of registration shall be issued to any person who is under 18 years of age.

4.15 Restrictive Use.

4.15.1 A certificate of registration may be used for identification purposes only as long as such certificate remains valid and while the holder is employed by a licensed concern.

4.15.2 Regardless of the acts authorized to be performed by a licensed concern, only those acts for which the applicant for a certificate of registration has qualified shall be permissible by such applicant.

4.16 Right to Contest.

4.16.1 Every person who takes an examination for a certificate of registration shall have the right to contest the validity of individual questions of such examination.

4.16.2 Every contention as to the validity of individual questions of an examination shall be made in writing within 48 hours after taking said examination. Contentions shall state the reason for the objection.

4.16.3 The decision as to the action to be taken on the submitted contention shall be by the SFM, and such decision shall be final.

4.16.4 The decision made by the SFM, and the action taken, shall be reflected in all future examinations, but shall not affect the grades established in any past examination.

4.17 Non-Transferable.

Certificates of Registration shall not be transferable. Individual certificates of registration shall be carried by the person to whom issued.

4.18 New Employees.

New employees of a licensed concern may perform the various acts while under the direct supervision of persons holding a valid certificate of registration for a period not to exceed forty-five (45) days from the initial date of employment. By the end of such period, new employees shall have taken and passed the required examination.

4.19 Certificate Identification.

Every certificate shall be identified by a number, delineated as EE-(number). Such number shall not be transferred from one person to another.

R710-1-5. Seal of Registration.

5.1 Description.

The official seal of registration of the SFM shall consist of the following:

5.1.1 The image of the State of Utah shall be in the center with an outer ring stating, "Utah State Fire Marshal".

5.1.1.1 The top portion of the outer ring shall have the wording "Utah State".

5.1.1.2 The Bottom portion of the outer ring shall have the wording "Fire Marshal".

5.1.2 Appending above the top portion and in a centered position, shall be a box provided for displaying the type of license.

5.1.3 Appending below the bottom portion and in a centered position, shall be a box provided for the displaying of the license number assigned to the concern.

5.2 Use of Seal.

No person or concern shall produce, reproduce, or use this seal in any manner or for any purpose except as herein provided.

5.3 Permissive Use.

Licensed concerns shall use the Seal of Registration on every service tag conforming to section 10.

5.4 Cease Use Order.

No person or concern shall continue the use of the Seal of Registration in any manner or for any purpose after receipt of a notice in writing from the SFM to that effect, or upon the suspension or revocation of the concern's license.

5.5 Legibility.

Every reproduction of the Seal of Registration and every letter and number placed thereon, shall be of sufficient size to render such seal, letter, and number distinct and clearly legible.

R710-1-6. Service Tags.

6.1 Size and Color.

Tags shall be not more than five and one-half inches (5-1/2") in height, nor less than four and one-half inches (4-1/2") in height, and not more than three inches (3") in width, nor less than two and one-half inches (2-1/2") in width.

6.2 Attaching Tag.

One service tag shall be attached to each portable fire extinguisher in such a position as to be conveniently inspected.

6.3 Tag Information.

6.3.1 Service tags shall bear the following information:

6.3.1.1 Provisions of Section 6.7.

6.3.1.2 Type of license.

6.3.1.3 Approved Seal of Registration of the SFM.

6.3.1.4 License registration "E" number.

6.3.1.5 Certificate of registration "EE" number of individual who performed or supervised the service or services performed.

6.3.1.6 Signature of individual whose certificate of registration number appears on the tag.

6.3.1.7 Concern's name.

6.3.1.8 Concern's address.

6.3.1.9 Type of service performed.

6.3.1.10 Type of extinguisher serviced.

6.3.1.11 Date service is performed.

6.3.2 The above information shall appear on one side of the service tag. All other desired printing or information shall be placed on the reverse side of the tag.

6.4 Legibility.

6.4.1 The certificate of registration number required in Section 6.3(5), and the signature required in Section 6.3(6), shall be printed or written distinctly.

6.4.2 All information pertaining to date, type of servicing, and type of extinguisher serviced shall be indicated on the card by perforations in the appropriate space provided. Each perforation shall clearly indicate the desired information.

6.5 Format.

Subject to the use requirements of Section 6.4, the following format shall be used for all service tags:

EXAMPLE OF SERVICE TAG

Exception: Service tags may be printed or otherwise established for any number of years not in excess of five (5) years. ILLUSTRATION ON FILE IN STATE FIRE MARSHAL'S OFFICE

6.6 New Tag.

A new service tag shall be attached to the extinguisher each time a service is performed.

6.7 Tag Wording.

The following wording shall be placed at the top or reinforced ring end of every tag: "DO NOT REMOVE, BY ORDER OF THE STATE FIRE MARSHAL".

6.8 Removal.

No person or persons shall remove a service tag, hydrostatic test tag or label, 6 year maintenance service tag or label, or verification of service collar, except when further service is performed. At that time the expired tag, label or collar shall be removed and a new tag, label or collar shall replace the expired one. No person or persons shall deface, modify, or alter any service tag, hydrostatic test tag or label, 6 year maintenance service tag or label, or verification of service collar that is required to be attached to any portable fire extinguisher.

6.9 Restrictive Use.

6.9.1 Portable fire extinguishers which do not conform with the minimum rules, shall be permanently removed from service, and shall not be tagged.

6.9.2 Any extinguisher which fails a hydrostatic test shall be condemned, and so stamped or etched into the cylinder or shell.

6.9.3 Extinguishers, other than one which has failed a

hydrostatic test, may be provided with a tag stating the extinguisher is "Condemned" or "Rejected". Such tags shall be red in color, and shall be not less, in size, than that of an approved service tag.

6.9.4 Service tags shall only be placed on portable fire extinguishers and wheeled units as allowed in these rules.

R710-1-7. Portable Fire Extinguisher Rated Classification Labels.

7.1 Use of Label.

Any label bearing the rated classification and listing shall not be placed upon any extinguisher unless specifically authorized by the manufacturer. Any extinguisher, other than carbon dioxide, without this manufacturer's label shall not be serviced.

7.2 Labels Prohibited.

Company labels or advertisement stickers other than those required herein shall not be affixed to fire extinguishers.

R710-1-8. Amendments and Additions.

8.1 Restricted Service.

Any extinguisher requiring a hydrostatic test as required, shall not be serviced until such extinguisher has been subjected to, and passed the required hydrostatic test.

8.2 Service.

At the time of installation, and at each annual inspection, all servicing shall be done in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions, adopted statutes, and these rules. Extinguishers shall be placed in an operable condition, free from defects which may cause malfunctions. Nozzles and hoses shall be free of obstructions or substances which may cause an obstruction.

8.3 Seals or Tamper Indicator.

Seals or tamper indicators shall be constructed of approved plastic or non-ferrous wire which can be easily broken, and so arranged that removal cannot be accomplished without breakage. Such seals or tamper indicators shall be used to retain the locking pin in a locked position. Seals or tamper indicators shall be removed annually to ensure that the pull pin is free.

8.4 New Extinguishers

A new extinguisher that has the date of manufacture printed on the label by the manufacturer, or date of manufacture stamped on the extinguisher by the manufacturer, does not require a service tag attached to the extinguisher until one year after the date of manufacture.

8.5 Those existing sodium or potassium bicarbonate dry-chemical portable fire extinguishers, having a minimum rating of 40-B, and specifically placed for protection of commercial food heat-processing equipment, may remain in the kitchen to be used for other applications, except the protection of commercial food heat-processing equipment using vegetable or animal oils or fat cooking media.

R710-1-9. Adjudicative Proceedings.

9.1 All adjudicative proceedings performed by the agency shall proceed informally as authorized by UCA, Sections 63G-4-202 and 63G-4-203.

9.2 The issuance, renewal, or continued validity of a license or certificate of registration may be denied, suspended, or revoked, if the SFM finds that the applicant, person employed for, or the person having authority and management of a concern servicing portable fire extinguishers commits any of the following violations:

9.2.1 The person or applicant is not the real person in interest.

9.2.2 The person or applicant provides material misrepresentation or false statement on the application.

9.2.3 The person or applicant refuses to allow inspection by the SFM, or his duly authorized deputies.

9.2.4 The person or applicant for a license or certificate of registration does not have the proper facilities and equipment to conduct the operations for which application is made.

9.2.5 The person or applicant for a certificate of registration does not possess the qualifications of skill or competence to conduct the operations for which application is made, as evidenced by failure to pass the examination and/or practical tests pursuant to Section 4.15 of these rules.

9.2.6 The person or applicant fails to place a verification of service collar when required on the valve assembly of any fire extinguisher when the following occurs:

9.2.6.1 re-charge;

9.2.6.2 required maintenance.

9.2.7 The person or applicant refuses to take the examination required by Section 4.3 and Section 3.14 of these rules.

9.2.8 The person or applicant has been convicted of one or more federal, state or local laws.

9.2.9 The person or applicant has been convicted of a violation of the adopted rules or been found by a Board administrative proceeding to have violated the adopted rules.

9.2.10 Any offense or finding of unlawful conduct, or there is or may be, a threat to the public's health or safety if the applicant or person were granted a license or certificate of registration.

9.2.11 There are other factors upon which a reasonable and prudent person would rely to determine the suitability of the applicant or person to safely and competently engage in the practice of servicing portable fire extinguishers.

9.3 A person whose license or certificate of registration is suspended or revoked by the SFM shall have an opportunity for a hearing before the Board if requested by that person within 20 days after receiving notice.

9.4 All adjudicative proceedings, other than criminal prosecution, taken by the SFM to enforce the Utah Fire Prevention and Safety Act, and these rules, shall commence in accordance with UCA, Section 63G-4-201.

9.5 The Board shall act as the hearing authority, and shall convene after timely notice to all parties involved. The Board shall be the final authority on the suspension or revocation of a license or certificate of registration.

9.6 The Board shall direct the SFM to issue a signed order to the parties involved giving the decision of the Board within a reasonable time of the hearing pursuant to UCA, Section 63G-4-203.

9.7 Reconsideration of the Board decision may be requested in writing within 20 days of the date of the decision pursuant to UCA, Section 63G-4-302.

9.8 After a period of three years from the date of revocation, the Board shall review the submitted written application of a person whose license or certificate of registration has been revoked. After timely notice to all parties involved, the Board shall convene to review the revoked persons application, and that person shall be allowed to present themselves and their case before the Board. After the hearing, the Board shall direct the SFM to allow the person to complete the licensing or certification process or shall direct that the revocation be continued.

9.9 Judicial review of all final Board actions resulting from informal adjudicative proceedings shall be conducted pursuant to UCA, Section 63G-4-402.

R710-1-10. Fees.

10.1 Fee Schedule.

10.1.1 Licenses and Certificates of Registration (new and renewals):

10.1.1.1 License (any type) $300.00

10.1.1.2 Branch office license 150.00

10.1.1.3 Certificate of registration 40.00

10.1.1.4 Duplicate 40.00

10.1.1.5 License Transfer 50.00
10.1.1.6 Application for exemption 150.00
10.1.2 Examinations:
10.1.2.1 Initial examination. 30.00
10.1.2.2 Re-examination 30.00
10.1.2.3 Five year examination. 30.00

10.2 Payment of Fees.

The required fee shall accompany the application for license or certificate of registration. License or certificate of registration fees will be refunded if the application is denied.

10.3 Late Renewal Fees.

10.3.1 Any license or certificate of registration not renewed before January 1st will be subject to an additional fee equal to 10% of the required inspection fee.

10.3.2 When a certificate of registration has expired for more than one year, an application shall be made for an original certificate as if the application was being made for the first time. Examinations will be re-taken with initial examination fees.

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R710. Public Safety, Fire Marshal.
R710-2. Rules Pursuant to the Utah Fireworks Act.
R710-2-1. Adoption.

Pursuant to Title 53, Chapter 7, Section 204, Utah Code Annotated 1953, the Utah Fire Prevention Board adopts rules establishing minimum safety standards for retail storage, handling, and sale of class C common state approved explosives; minimum requirements for placement and discharge of display fireworks; and requirements for importer, wholesaler, display or special effects operator licenses.

There is further adopted as part of these rules the following codes which are incorporated by reference:

1.1 International Fire Code (IFC), 2006 edition, as published by the International Code Council, Inc. (ICC), except as amended by provisions listed in R710-2-9, et seq.

1.2 National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), Standard 1123, Code for Fireworks Display, 2006 edition, as published by the National Fire Protection Association, except as amended by provisions listed in R710-2-9, et seq.

1.3 National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), Standard 1126, Standard for the Use of Pyrotechnics Before a Proximate Audience, 2006 edition, as published by the National Fire Protection Association, except as amended by provisions listed in R710-2-9, et seq.

1.4 Copies of the above codes are on file in the Office of Administrative Rules and the State Fire Marshal's Office.

R710-2-2. Definitions.

2.1 "Authority having jurisdiction (AHJ)" means such county and municipal officers who are charged with the enforcement of state and municipal laws; consisting of all fire enforcement officials including designated staff from the Utah State Department of Public Safety.

2.2 "ICC" means International Code Council, Inc.

2.3 "IFC" means International Fire Code.

2.4 "NFPA" means National Fire Protection Association.

2.5 "Permanent structure" means a non-movable building, securely attached to a foundation, housing a business.

2.6 "Person" means an individual, company, partnership or corporation.

2.7 "Pre-packaged means that the product is wrapped in a clear plastic wrap or other equivalent material to prevent the fuse of the class C common state approved explosive from being accessible to the customer.

2.8 "Resale" means the act of reselling class B or C explosives to a new party.

2.9 "SFM" means the State Fire Marshal.

2.10 "Tent" means a temporary structure, enclosure or shelter constructed of fabric or pliable material supported by any manner except by air or the contents it protects.

2.11 "Temporary Stands and Trailers" means a non-permanent structure used exclusively for the sale of fireworks.

2.12 "UCA" means Utah Code Annotated.

R710-2-3. General Requirements.

3.1 No person shall engage in any type of retail storage or sale of class C common state approved explosives, without first having obtained a license to sell fireworks from the authority having jurisdiction, if required.

3.2 If a municipality or county in which fireworks are offered for sale, requires a seller to obtain a license, it shall be available at the store or stand for presentation upon request to authorized public safety officials.

3.3 All fireworks retail sales locations shall be under the direct supervision of a responsible person who is 18 years of age or older.

3.4 Those selling fireworks at retail sales locations shall be at least 16 years of age or older.

3.5 A salesperson shall remain at the sales location at all times unless suitable locking devices or secured metal storage containers are provided to prevent the unauthorized access to the merchandise by others.

3.6 Class C common state approved explosives shall not be sold to any person under the age of 16 years, unless accompanied by an adult.

3.7 All retail sales locations shall be kept clear of dry grass or other combustible material for a distance of at least 25 feet in all directions.

3.8 Storage of class C common state approved explosives shall not be located in residences to include attached garages.

3.9 "No Smoking" signs shall be conspicuously posted at all sales and storage locations.

3.10 A sign, clearly visible to the general public, shall be posted at all fireworks sales locations, indicating the legal dates for discharge of fireworks.

3.11 All retail sales locations shall be equipped with an approved, portable fire extinguisher having a minimum 2A rating.

R710-2-4. Indoor Sales.

4.1 Display of class C common state approved explosives inside of buildings shall be so located to ensure constant visual supervision.

4.2 In all retail sales locations in permanent structures, the area where class C common state approved explosives are displayed or stored shall be at least 50 feet from any flammable liquid or gas, or other highly combustible material.

4.3 In permanent structures, retail sales displays of Class C common state approved explosives shall not be placed in locations that would impede egress from the building.

4.4 Class C common state approved explosives shall only be stored, handled, displayed, and sold as packaged units, with unexposed fuses, within a permanent structure.

4.5 Display of Class C common state approved explosives inside of buildings protected throughout with an automatic fire sprinkler system shall not exceed 25 percent of the area of the retail sales floor or exceed 600 square feet, whichever is less.

4.6 Display of Class C common state approved explosives inside of buildings not protected with an automatic fire sprinkler system shall not exceed 125 pounds of pyrotechnic composition. Where the actual weight of the pyrotechnic composition is not known, 25 percent of the gross weight of the consumer fireworks, including packaging, shall be permitted to be used to determine the weight of the pyrotechnic composition.

4.7 Display of Class C common state approved explosives inside of buildings shall not exceed a height greater than six feet above the floor surface.

4.8 Rack storage of Class C common state approved explosives inside of buildings is prohibited.

R710-2-5. Temporary Stands, Trailers and Tents.

5.1 Temporary stands, trailers and tents less than 200 square feet used for the retail sales of class C common state approved explosives shall be constructed in compliance with local rules, or if none, in accordance with nationally recognized practice. Tents having an area in excess of 200 square feet shall comply with IFC, Chapter 24.

5.2 The general public shall not be allowed to enter a temporary stand or trailer.

5.3 Each stand, trailer or tent less than 200 square feet shall have a minimum three foot wide unobstructed aisle, running the length of the stand, trailer or tent.

5.4 All tents where customers enter inside shall have a minimum three foot wide unobstructed aisle and two separate exits located a reasonable distance apart and so located that if one is blocked the other will be available.

5.5 The area used for sales of class C common state approved explosives in stands, trailers or tents shall be arranged

to permit the customer to only touch or handle pre-packaged class C common state approved explosives. All non pre-packaged class C common state approved explosives shall be displayed in a manner which prevents the fireworks from being handled by the customer without the direct intervention of the retailer who shall be able to maintain visual contact with the customer.

5.6 Temporary stands, trailers or tents for the sale of class C common state approved explosives shall be located at least 50 feet from other stands, trailers, tents, LPG, flammable liquid or gas storage and dispensing units.

5.7 If the stand or trailer is used for the overnight storage of class C common state approved explosives, it shall be equipped with suitable locking devices to prevent unauthorized entry. Tents shall not be used for overnight storage of class C common state approved explosives unless on site security is provided.

5.8 No person shall be allowed to sleep in any temporary stand, trailer or tent in which class C common state approved explosives are stored or sold.

5.9 Stands, trailers or tents shall not be illuminated or heated by any device requiring an open flame or exposed heating elements. All heaters shall be approved by the authority having jurisdiction (AHJ).

5.10 All illumination shall be installed in accordance with the temporary wiring section of the National Electric Code and approved by the authority having jurisdiction (AHJ).

R710-2-6. List of Approved Class C Common State Approved Explosives.

6.1 The State Fire Marshal shall publish a list of approved class C common state approved explosives each year.

6.2 The testing shall be conducted annually or as needed.

R710-2-7. Importer, Wholesaler, Display or Special Effects Operator Licenses.

7.1 Application for a importer, wholesaler, display or special effects operator license shall be made in writing on forms provided by the SFM.

7.2 Application for a license shall be signed by the applicant. If the application is made by a partnership, it shall be signed by all partners. If the application is made by a corporation or association, it shall be signed by a principal officer.

7.3 Original licenses shall be valid from the date of issuance through December 31st of the year in which issued. Licenses issued on or after October 1st, will be valid through December 31st of the following year.

7.4 Application for renewal of license shall be made before January 1st of each year. Application for renewal shall be made in writing on forms provided by the SFM.

7.5 The SFM may refuse to renew any license pursuant to Section 8 of these rules. The applicant, upon such refusal, shall also have those rights as are granted by Section 8 of these rules.

7.6 Every licensee shall notify the SFM, in writing, within thirty (30) days, of any change of his address or location.

7.7 No licensee shall conduct his licensed business under a name other than the name which appears on his license.

7.8 No license shall be issued to any person as licensee who is under twenty-one (21) years of age.

7.9 The holder of any license shall submit such license for inspection upon request of the SFM, his duly authorized deputies, or any authorized enforcement official.

7.10 Every person who wishes to secure a display or special effects operator original license shall demonstrate proof of competence by:

7.10.1 Successfully passing an open book written examination and obtaining a minimum grade of seventy percent (70%).

7.10.2 Examinations will be given according to the following requirements:

7.10.2.1 The applicant is allowed to use the statute, the administrative rule, and the NFPA standard that applies to the certification examination. Any other materials to include cellular telephones are prohibited in the examination room.

7.10.2.2 Completion of the certification examination will not be allowed if it appears to the test administrator that the applicant has not prepared to take the examination.

7.10.2.3 Each certification examination taken has a time limit of two hours to completion. Leaving the office or testing location before the completion of the examination voids the examination and will require the examination to be retaken by the applicant.

7.10.2 Submit written verification with the application of having completed a display or special effects operators safety class or demonstrate previous experience acceptable to the SFM.

7.10.3 Submit written verification with the application that the applicant has worked with a licensed display or special effects operator for at least three shows or demonstrate previous experience acceptable to the SFM.

7.11 The written examination stated in Section 7.10(a) shall be valid for five years from the date of the examination.

7.12 At the end of the five year period the licensed display or special effects operator shall take a re-examination. The re-examination shall be open book and sent to the license holder at least 60 days before the renewal date. The re-examination shall focus on the changes in the last 5 years to the adopted standards. The license holder is responsible to complete the re-examination and return it to the Division in time to renew and also comply with the requirements listed in Section 7.13.

7.13 After the issuance of the original license, and each year thereafter, the display or special effects operator shall complete a minimum of one fireworks performance annually or attend an operator safety class annually or work with another licensed display or special effects operator with a show annually to demonstrate proof of competence.

7.14 When the license has expired for more than one year, an application shall be made for an original license and the initial requirements shall be completed as required in Section 7.10 of these rules.

7.15 Every person who wishes to secure an importer, wholesaler, display or special effects operators license shall be at least 21 years of age.

7.16 Every licensed display or special effects operator shall complete the Pyrotechnician's After Action Report for Fireworks Display form within ten (10) working days after the conclusion of any display or special effects show and send it to the State Fire Marshal.

R710-2-8. Adjudicative Proceedings.

8.1 All adjudicative proceedings performed by the agency shall proceed informally as set forth herein and as authorized by UCA, Sections 63G-4-202 and 63G-4-203.

8.2 The issuance, renewal, or continued validity of a license may be denied, suspended or revoked, if the SFM, or his authorized deputies finds that the applicant, person employed for, the person having authority, or the person in question commits any of the following violations:

8.2.1 The person or applicant is not the real person in interest.

8.2.2 Material misrepresentation or false statement in the application.

8.2.3 Refusal to allow inspection by the AHJ.

8.2.4 The person or applicant for a license does not possess the qualifications of skill or competence to conduct operations for which application is made, as evidenced by failure to pass the examination or demonstrate practical skills.

8.2.5 The person or applicant has been convicted of any of the following:

8.2.5.1 a violation of the provisions of these rules;

8.2.5.2 a crime of violence or theft; or

8.2.5.3 any crime that bears upon the person or applicant's ability to perform their functions and duties.

8.2.6 Failure to accurately complete the Pyrotechnician's After Action Report for Fireworks Display form.

8.3 A person may request a hearing on a decision made by the AHJ, by filing an appeal to the Board within 20 days after receiving final notice from the AHJ.

8.4 All adjudicative proceedings, other than criminal prosecution, taken by the AHJ to enforce the Utah Fire Prevention and Safety Act, and these rules, shall commence in accordance with UCA, Section 63G-4-201.

8.5 The Board shall act as the hearing authority, and shall convene as an appeals board after timely notice to all parties involved.

8.6 The Board shall direct the SFM to issue a signed order to the parties involved giving the decision of the Board within a reasonable time of the hearing pursuant to UCA, Section 63G-4-203.

8.7 Reconsideration of the Board's decision may be requested in writing within 20 days of the date of the decision pursuant to UCA, Section 63G-4-302.

8.8 Judicial review of all final Board actions resulting from informal adjudicative proceedings shall be conducted pursuant to UCA, Section 63G-4-402.

R710-2-9. Amendments and Additions.

9.1 The following are amendments and additions to the codes and standards adopted to regulate class C common state approved explosives, placement and discharge of display fireworks, and importer, wholesaler, display or special effects operator licenses, as adopted in Section 1 of these rules:

9.2 IFC, Chapter 33, Section 3301.2.1 and 3301.2.2 is deleted, and rewritten to read as follows:

9.2.1 For the following periods of time: June 1 through July 31; December 1 through January 5; and 30 days before and up to 5 days after the Chinese New Year; class C common state approved explosives may be stored for retail sale as follows:

9.2.1.1 The retail seller shall notify the local fire authority to where the class C common state approved explosives are to be stored.

9.2.1.2 Class C common state approved explosives shall not be stored in residences to include attached garages.

9.2.1.3 The local fire authority shall approve the storage site of the class C common state approved explosives and may use the following guidelines for acceptable places of storage:

9.2.1.3.1 In self storage units where the owner allows it.

9.2.1.3.2 In a temporary stand or trailer used for the retail sales of Class C common state approved explosives, which must be locked or secured when not open for business.

9.2.1.3.3 In a locked or secured truck, trailer, or other vehicle at an approved location.

9.2.1.3.4 In a locked or secured container, garage, shed, barn, or other building, which is detached from an inhabited building.

9.2.1.3.5 Wholesalers warehouse.

9.2.1.3.6 An approved Group M occupancy.

9.2.1.3.7 In a locked or secured metal container adjacent to the temporary stand, trailer or tent that is acceptable to the authority having jurisdiction.

9.2.1.3.8 Any other structure or location approved by the authority having jurisdiction.

9.2.2 All other periods of time, except those stated in Section 9.2(1) of these rules, the storage, use, and handling of fireworks are prohibited, except as follows:

9.2.2.1 The storage and handling of fireworks are allowed as required in IFC, Chapter 33 and these rules.

9.2.2.2 The use of fireworks for display is allowed as set forth in IFC, Chapter 33 and these rules.

R710-2-10. Fire Department Displays.

10.1 As required in UCA 53-7-223(1) and as allowed for fire departments in UCA 53-7-202(9)(b), the fire department's involvement in the discharge of display fireworks is allowed only for the discharge of display fireworks in that fire departments community or communities it has a contract to protect.

10.2 Within 10 working days after the conclusion of a fireworks display, the fire chief or an assigned fire department member shall complete a Pyrotechnician's After Action Report and send it to the State Fire Marshal.

10.3 Any fire department member that will be involved in the discharge site as defined in NFPA 1123, shall complete a fireworks display safety class yearly to be allowed in the discharge area during the display.

10.4 Any fireworks purchased by a community or fire department outside of the State of Utah shall require the securing of an annual importers license as required in UCA 53-7-224.

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R710. Public Safety, Fire Marshal.
R710-3. Assisted Living Facilities.
R710-3-1. Introduction.

Pursuant to Title 53, Chapter 7, Section 204, of the Utah Code Annotated 1953, the Utah Fire Prevention Board adopts for the purpose of establishing minimum standards for prevention of fire and for the protection of life and property against fire and panic in assisted living facilities. The requirements listed in this rule text are in addition to the requirements listed in R710-9, Rules Pursuant to the Utah Fire Prevention Law.

There is adopted as part of these rules the following codes which are incorporated by reference:

1.1 International Fire Code (IFC), 2006 edition, as published by the International Code Council, Inc. (ICC), except as amended by provisions listed in R710-3-3, et seq.

1.2 International Building Code (IBC), 2006 edition, as published by the International Code Council, Inc. (ICC), and as adopted under the authority of the Uniform Building Standards Act, Title 58, Chapter 56, Section 4, Utah Code Annotated 1953 and the Utah Administrative Code, R156-56-701.

1.3 Copies of the above code are on file in the Office of Administrative Rules and the State Fire Marshal.

R710-3-2. Definitions.

2.1 "Ambulatory" means a person who is capable of achieving mobility sufficient to exit without the physical assistance of another person. An equivalency to "Ambulatory" may be approved under the conditions stated in Sections 3.2.9, 3.3.8 or 3.4.9.

2.2 "Assisted Living Facility" means:

2.2.1 a Type 1 Assisted Living Facility, which is a residential facility subject to licensure by the Utah Department of Health, that provides a protected living arrangement for ambulatory, non-restrained persons who are capable of achieving mobility sufficient to exit the facility without the physical assistance of another person.

2.2.2 a Type 2 Assisted Living Facility, which is a residential facility subject to licensure by the Utah Department of Health, that provides an array of coordinated supportive personal and health care services to residents who meet the definition of semi-independent.

2.2.3 a Residential Treatment/Support Assisted Living Facility, which creates a group living environment for four or more residents contracted by the Division of Services to people with disabilities and subject to licensure by the Utah Department of Human Services, and provides a protected living arrangement for ambulatory, non-restrained persons who are capable of achieving mobility sufficient to exit the facility without the physical assistance of another person.

2.2.4 Assisted Living Facilities shall be classified by size as follows:

2.2.4.1 "Type 1, 2, and Residential Treatment/Support Limited Capacity Facility" means an assisted living facility accommodating five or less residents, excluding staff.

2.2.4.2 "Type 1, 2, and Residential Treatment/Support Small Facility" means an assisted living facility accommodating at least six and not more than 16 residents, excluding staff.

2.2.4.3 "Type 1, 2, and Residential Treatment/Support Large Facility" means an assisted living facility accommodating more than sixteen residents, excluding staff.

2.3 "Authority Having Jurisdiction (AHJ)" means the State Fire Marshal, his duly authorized deputies, or the local fire enforcement authority.

2.4 "Board" means Utah Fire Prevention Board.

2.5 "IBC" means International Building Code.

2.6 "ICC" means International Code Council, Inc.

2.7 "IFC" means International Fire Code.

2.8 "Licensing Authority" means the Utah Department of Health or the Utah Department of Human Services.

2.9 "Semi-independent" means a person who is:

2.9.1 physically disabled but able to direct his or her own care; or

2.9.2 cognitively impaired or physically disabled but able to evacuate from the facility with the physical assistance of one person.

2.10 "SFM" means State Fire Marshal.

R710-3-3. Amendments and Additions.

3.1 General Requirements

3.1.1 All facilities shall be inspected annually and obtain a certificate of fire clearance signed by the AHJ.

3.1.2 All facility administrators shall develop emergency plans and preparedness as required in IFC, Chapter 4.

3.1.3 IFC, Chapter 9, Sections 907.3.1.2 and 907.3.1.8 is deleted.

3.1.4 IFC, Chapter 9, Section 903.2.7 is amended to add the following: Exception: Group R-4 fire areas not more than 4500 gross square feet and not containing more than 16 residents, provided the building is equipped throughout with an approved fire alarm system that is interconnected and receives its primary power from the building wiring and a commercial power system. This Exception does not apply to Type II Limited Capacity Assisted Living Facilities.

3.2 Type I Assisted Living Facilities

3.2.1 Type I Limited Capacity Assisted Living Facilities shall be constructed in accordance with IBC, Residential Group R-3, and maintained in accordance with the IBC and IFC.

3.2.2 Type I Limited Capacity Assisted Living Facility required exits shall not be secured with dead bolts, chains, or hasps. Deadbolts that are interconnected with the latch, and provide simultaneous retraction of both the deadbolt and the latch, by the turning of the latch, is permitted.

3.2.3 Residents in Type I Limited Capacity Assisted Living Facilities shall be housed on the first story only, unless an approved outside exit leading to the ground level is provided from any upper or lower level. Split entry/split level type homes in which stairs to the lower and upper level are equal or nearly equal, may have residents housed on both levels when approved by the AHJ.

3.2.4 In Type I Limited Capacity Assisted Living Facilities, resident rooms on the ground level, shall have escape or rescue windows as required in IFC, Chapter 10, Section 1025.

3.2.5 In Type I Limited Capacity Assisted Living Facilities an approved independent smoke detector shall be installed and maintained by location as required in IFC, Chapter 9, Section 907.2.10.1.2.

3.2.6 Type I Small Assisted Living Facilities shall be constructed in accordance with IBC, Residential Group R-4, and maintained in accordance with the IBC and IFC.

3.2.7 Type I Small Assisted Living Facility required exits shall not be secured with dead bolts, chains, or hasps. Deadbolts that are interconnected with the latch, and provide simultaneous retraction of both the deadbolt and the latch, by the turning of the latch, is permitted.

3.2.8 Type I Large Assisted Living Facilities shall be constructed in accordance with IBC, Institutional Group I-1, and maintained in accordance with the IBC and IFC.

3.2.8.1 An automatic fire sprinkler system shall be provided throughout buildings classified as Group I. Listed quick response or residential sprinkler heads shall be installed in patient or resident sleeping areas.

3.2.9 In a Type I Assisted Living Facility, non-ambulatory persons are permitted after receiving approval for a variance from the Utah Department of Health as allowed in Utah Administrative Code, R432-2-18.

3.3 Type II Assisted Living Facilities

3.3.1 Type II Limited Capacity Assisted Living Facilities shall be constructed in accordance with IBC, Residential Group R-4, and maintained in accordance with the IBC and IFC.

3.3.2 Type II Limited Capacity Assisted Living Facilities shall have an approved automatic fire extinguishing system installed in compliance with the IBC and IFC, or provide a staff to a resident ratio of one to one on a 24 hour basis.

3.3.3 Type II Small Assisted Living Facilities shall be constructed in accordance with IBC, Institutional Group I-1, and maintained in accordance with the IBC and IFC.

3.3.3.1 An automatic fire sprinkler system shall be provided throughout buildings classified as Group I. Listed quick response or residential sprinkler heads shall be installed in patient or resident sleeping areas.

3.3.4 Type II Small Assisted Living Facilities shall have a minimum corridor width of six feet.

3.3.4.1 Type II Small Assisted Living Facilities licensed before November 16, 2004, shall have a minimum corridor width of six feet or a path of egress that is acceptable to the AHJ.

3.3.5 Type II Large Assisted Living Facilities shall be constructed in accordance with IBC, Institutional Group I-2, and maintained in accordance with the IBC and IFC.

3.3.5.1 An automatic fire sprinkler system shall be provided throughout buildings classified as Group I. Listed quick response or residential sprinkler heads shall be installed in patient or resident sleeping areas.

3.3.6 In Type II Assisted Living Facilities, where the clinical needs of the patients require specialized security, approved access controlled egress doors may be installed when all of the following are met:

3.3.6.1 The controlled egress doors shall unlock upon activation of the automatic fire sprinkler system or the automatic fire detection system.

3.3.6.2 The facility staff can unlock the controlled egress doors by either sensor or keypad.

3.3.6.3 The controlled egress doors shall unlock upon loss of power.

3.3.6.4 The secure area or unit with controlled egress doors shall be located at the level of exit discharge in Type V construction.

3.3.7 In Type II Assisted Living Facilities, where the clinical needs of the patients require approved, listed delayed egress locks, they shall be installed on doors as allowed in IBC, Section 1008.1.8.6. Section 1008.1.8.6(3) is deleted. The secure area or unit with delayed egress locks shall be located at the level of exit discharge in Type V construction.

3.3.8 In a Type II Assisted Living Facility, non-ambulatory persons are permitted after receiving approval for a variance from the Utah Department of Health as allowed in Utah Administrative Code, R432-2-18.

3.4 Residential Treatment/Support Assisted Living Facilities

3.4.1 Residential Treatment/Support Limited Capacity Assisted Living Facility shall be constructed in accordance with IBC, Residential Group R-3, and maintained in accordance with the IBC and IFC.

3.4.2 Residential Treatment/Support Limited Capacity Assisted Living Facility required exits shall not be secured with dead bolts, chains, or hasps. Deadbolts that are interconnected with the latch, and provide simultaneous retraction of both the deadbolt and the latch, by the turning of the latch, is permitted.

3.4.3 Residents in Residential Treatment/Support Limited Capacity Assisted Living Facilities shall be housed on the first story only, unless an approved outside exit leading to the ground level is provided from any upper or lower level. Split entry/split level type homes in which stairs to the lower and upper level are equal or nearly equal, may have residents housed on both levels when approved by the AHJ.

3.4.4 In Residential Treatment/Support Limited Capacity Assisted Living Facilities, resident rooms on the ground level, shall have escape or rescue windows as required in IBC, Chapter 10, Section 1026.

3.4.5 In Residential Treatment/Support Limited Capacity Assisted Living Facilities an approved independent smoke detector shall be installed and maintained by location as required in IFC, Chapter 9, Section 907.2.10.1.2.

3.4.6 Residential Treatment/Support Small Assisted Living Facilities shall be constructed in accordance with IBC, Residential Group R-4, and maintained in accordance with the IBC and IFC.

3.4.7 Residential Treatment/Support Small Assisted Living Facility required exits shall not be secured with dead bolts, chains, or hasps. Deadbolts that are interconnected with the latch, and provide simultaneous retraction of both the deadbolt and the latch, by the turning of the latch, is permitted.

3.4.8 Residential Treatment/Support Large Assisted Living Facilities shall be constructed in accordance with IBC, Institutional Group I-1, and maintained in accordance with the IBC and IFC.

3.4.8.1 An automatic fire sprinkler system shall be provided throughout buildings classified as Group I. Listed quick response or residential sprinkler heads shall be installed in patient or resident sleeping areas.

3.4.9 In a Residential Treatment/Support Assisted Living Facility, non-ambulatory persons are permitted after meeting the requirements listed in Utah Administrative Code, R501-2, and receiving approval from the Office of Licensing, Utah Department of Human Services.

R710-3-4. Repeal of Conflicting Board Actions.

All former Board actions, or parts thereof, conflicting or inconsistent with the provisions of this Board action or of the codes hereby adopted, are hereby repealed.

R710-3-5. Validity.

The Board hereby declares that should any section, paragraph, sentence, or word of this Board action, or the codes adopted, be declared invalid, it is the intent of the Board that it would have passed all other portions of this action, independent of the elimination of any portions as may be declared invalid.

R710-3-6. Conflicts.

In the event where separate requirements pertain to the same situation in the adopted codes, the more restrictive requirement shall govern, as determined by the AHJ.

R710-3-7. Adjudicative Proceedings.

7.1 All adjudicative proceedings performed by the agency shall proceed informally as set forth herein and as authorized by UCA, Sections 63G-4-202 and 63G-4-203.

7.2 A person may request a hearing on a decision made by the AHJ by filing an appeal to the Board within 20 days after receiving final decision from the AHJ.

7.3 All adjudicative proceedings, other than criminal prosecution, taken by the AHJ to enforce the Utah Fire Prevention and Safety Act, and these rules, shall commence in accordance with UCA, Section 63G-4-201.

7.4 The Board shall act as the hearing authority, and shall convene as an appeals board after timely notice to all parties involved.

7.5 The Board shall direct the SFM to issue a signed order to the parties involved giving the decision of the Board within a reasonable time of the hearing pursuant to UCA, Section 63G-4-203.

7.6 Reconsideration of the Board's decision may be requested in writing within 20 days of the date of the decision pursuant to UCA, Section 63G-4-302.

7.7 Judicial review of all final Board actions resulting from informal adjudicative proceedings is available pursuant to UCA, Section 63G-4-402.

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R710. Public Safety, Fire Marshal.
R710-4. Buildings Under the Jurisdiction of the State Fire Prevention Board.
R710-4-1. Adoption of Fire Codes.

Pursuant to Title 53, Chapter 7, Section 204, of the Utah Code Annotated 1953, the Utah Fire Prevention Board adopts minimum rules for the prevention of fire and for the protection of life and property against fire and panic in any publicly owned building, including all public and private schools, colleges, and university buildings, and in any building or structure used or intended for use, as an asylum, hospital, mental hospital, sanitarium, home for the aged, assisted living facility, children's home or day care center, or any similar institutional type occupancy of any capacity; and in any place of assemblage where fifty (50) or more persons may gather together in a building, structure, tent, or room, for the purpose of amusement, entertainment, instruction, or education. The requirements listed in this rule text are in addition to the requirements listed in R710-9, Rules Pursuant to the Utah Fire Prevention Law.

There is further adopted as part of these rules the following codes which are incorporated by reference:

1.1 National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), Standard 101, Life Safety Code (LSC), 2006 edition, except as amended by provisions listed in R710-4-3, et seq. The following chapters from NFPA, Standard 101 are the only chapters adopted: Chapter 18 - New Health Care Occupancies; Chapter 19 - Existing Health Care Occupancies; Chapter 20 - New Ambulatory Health Care Occupancies; Chapter 21 - Existing Ambulatory Health Care Occupancies; Chapter 22 - New Detention and Correctional Occupancies; Chapter 23 - Existing Detention and Correctional Occupancies; and other sections referenced within and pertaining to these chapters only. Wherever there is a section, figure or table in NFPA 101 that references "NFPA 5000 - Building Construction and Safety Code", that reference shall be replaced with the "International Building Code".

1.2 International Building Code (IBC), 2006 edition, as published by the International Code Council, Inc. (ICC), and as adopted under the authority of the Uniform Building Standards Act, Title 58, Chapter 56, Section 4, Utah Code Annotated 1953 and the Utah Administrative Code, R156-56-701.

1.3 International Mechanical Code (IMC), 2006 edition, as published by the International Code Council, Inc., and as adopted under the authority of the Uniform Building Standards Act, Title 58, Chapter 56, Section 4, Utah Code Annotated 1953 and the Utah Administrative Code, R156-56-701.

1.4 International Fuel Gas Code (IFGC), 2006 edition, as published by the International Code Council, and as adopted under the authority of the Uniform Building Standards Act, Title 58, Chapter 56, Section 4, Utah Code Annotated 1953 and the Utah Administrative Code, R156-56-701.

1.5 International Plumbing Code (IPC), 2006 edition, as published by the International Code Council, Inc., and as adopted under the authority of the Uniform Building Standards Act, Title 58, Chapter 56, Section 4, Utah Code Annotated 1953 and the Utah Administrative Code, R156-56-701.

1.6 Copies of the above codes are on file in the Office of Administrative Rules and the State Fire Marshal.

R710-4-2. Definitions.

2.1 "Authority Having Jurisdiction (AHJ)" means the State Fire Marshal, his authorized deputies, or the local fire enforcement authority.

2.2 "Board" means Utah Fire Prevention Board.

2.3 "Bureau of Fire Prevention or Fire Prevention Bureau" means the AHJ.

2.4 "Fire Chief or Chief of the Department" means the AHJ.

2.5 "Fire Department" means the AHJ.

2.6 "Fire Marshal" means the AHJ.

2.7 "Fire Officer" means the State Fire Marshal, the state fire marshal's deputies, the fire chief or fire marshal of any county, city, or town fire department, the fire officer of any fire district or special service district organized for fire protection purposes is the AHJ.

2.8 "IBC" means International Building Code.

2.9 "ICC" means International Code Council, Inc.

2.10 "IFC" means International Fire Code.

2.11 "IFGC" means International Fuel Gas Code.

2.12 "IMC" means International Mechanical Code.

2.13 "IPC" means International Plumbing Code.

2.14 "LSC" means Life Safety Code.

2.15 "NEC" means National Electric Code.

2.16 "NFPA" means National Fire Protection Association.

2.17 "SFM" means State Fire Marshal.

2.18 "UCA" means Utah State Code Annotated 1953 as amended.

R710-4-3. Amendments and Additions.

3.1 Fire Drills

3.1.1 IFC, Chapter 4, Section 405.2, Table 405.2, is amended to add the following footnotes:

e. Secondary schools in Group E occupancies shall have a fire drill conducted at least every two months, to a total of four fire drills during the nine-month school year. The first fire drill shall be conducted within 10 days of the beginning of classes.

f. A-3 occupancies in academic buildings of institutions of higher learning are required to have one fire drill per year, provided the following conditions are met:

1. The building has a fire alarm system in accordance with Section 907.2.

2. The rooms classified as assembly, shall have fire safety floor plans as required in Section 404.3.2(4) posted.

3. The building is not classified a high-rise building.

4. The building does not contain hazardous materials over the allowable quantities by code.

3.2 Door Closures

3.2.1 IFC, Chapter 7, Section 703.2. Add the following: Exception: In Group E Occupancies, where the corridor serves an occupant load greater than 30 and the building does not have an automatic fire sprinkler system installed, the door closures may be of the friction hold-open type on classrooms doors with a rating of 20 minutes or less only.

3.3 Fire Protection Systems

3.3.1 IFC, Chapter 9, Section 903.2.7 is amended to add the following: Exception: Group R-4 fire areas not more than 4500 gross square feet and not containing more than 16 residents, provided the building is equipped throughout with an approved fire alarm system that is interconnected and receives its primary power from the building wiring and a commercial power system.

3.3.2 Water Supply Analysis

3.3.2.1 For proposed construction in both sprinklered and unsprinklered occupancies, the owner or architect shall provide an engineer's water supply analysis evaluating the available water supply.

3.3.2.2 The owner or architect shall provide the water supply analysis during the preliminary design phase of the proposed construction.

3.3.2.3 The water analysis shall be representative of the supply that may be available at the time of a fire as required in NFPA, Standard 13, Annex A.15.2.1.

3.3.3 Fire Alarm Systems

3.3.3.1 Required Installations

3.3.3.1.1 All state-owned buildings, college and university buildings, other than institutional, with an occupant load of 300 or more, all schools with an occupant load of 50 or more, shall have an approved fire alarm system with the following features:

3.3.3.1.1.1 Automatic detection devices that detect smoke shall be installed throughout all corridors and spaces open to the corridor at the maximum prescribed spacing of thirty feet on center and no more than fifteen feet from the walls or smoke detectors shall be installed as required in NFPA, Standard 72, Section 5.3.

3.3.3.1.1.2 Where structures are not protected or partially protected with an automatic fire sprinkler system, approved automatic detectors shall be installed in accordance with the complete coverage requirements of NFPA, Standard 72.

3.3.3.1.1.3 Manual fire alarm boxes shall be provided as required. In public and private elementary and secondary schools, manual fire alarm boxes shall be provided in the boiler room, kitchen, and main administrative office of each building, and any other areas as determined by the AHJ.

3.3.3.2 Main Panel

3.3.3.2.1 An approved key plan drawing and operating instructions shall be posted at the main fire alarm panel which displays the location of all alarm zones and if applicable, device addresses.

3.3.3.2.2 The main panel shall be located in a normally attended area such as the main office or lobby. Location of the Main Panel other than as stated above, shall require the review and authorization of the SFM. Where location as required above is not possible, an electronically supervised remote annunciator from the main panel shall be located in a supervised area of the building. The remote annunciator shall visually indicate system power status, alarms for each zone, and give both a visual and audible indication of trouble conditions in the system. All indicators on both the main panel and remote annunciator shall be adequately labeled.

3.3.3.3 System Wiring, Class and Style

3.3.3.3.1 Fire alarm system wiring shall be designated and installed as follows:

3.3.3.3.1.1 The initiating device circuits shall be designated and installed Class A as defined in NFPA, Standard 72.

3.3.3.3.1.2 The notification appliance circuits shall be designated and installed Class A as defined in NFPA, Standard 72.

3.3.3.3.1.3 Signaling line circuits shall be designated and installed Style 6 or 7 as defined in NFPA, Standard 72.

3.3.3.4 Fan Shut Down

3.3.3.4.1 Fan shut down shall be as required in IMC, Chapter 6, Section 606.

3.3.3.4.2 Duct detectors required by the IMC, shall be interconnected, and compatible with the fire alarm system.

3.3.3.5 Nuisance Alarms

3.3.3.5.1 IFC, Chapter 9, Section 907.20.5 is amended to add the following sentences: Increases in nuisance alarms shall require the fire alarm system to be tested for sensitivity. Fire alarm systems that continue after sensitivity testing with unwarranted nuisance alarms shall be replaced as directed by the AHJ.

3.4 Time Out and Seclusion Rooms

3.4.1 Time Out and Seclusion Rooms are allowed in occupancies protected by an automatic fire alarm system.

3.4.2 A vision panel shall be provided in the room door for observation purposes.

3.4.3 Time Out and Seclusion Room doors may not be fitted with a lock unless it is a self-releasing latch that releases automatically if not physically held in the locked position by an individual on the outside of the door.

3.4.4 Time Out and Seclusion Rooms shall be located where a responsible adult can maintain visual monitoring of the person and room.

R710-4-4. Repeal of Conflicting Board Actions.

All former Board actions, or parts thereof, conflicting or inconsistent with the provisions of this Board action or of the codes hereby adopted, are hereby repealed.

R710-4-5. Validity.

The Board hereby declares that should any section, paragraph, sentence, or word of this Board action, or of the codes hereby adopted, be declared, for any reason, to be invalid, it is the intent of the Board that it would have passed all other portions of this Board action, independent of the elimination here from of any such portion as may be declared invalid.

R710-4-6. Conflicts.

In the event where separate requirements pertain to the same situation in the same code, or between different codes as adopted, the more restrictive requirement shall govern, as determined by the AHJ, or his authorized representative.

R710-4-7. Adjudicative Proceedings.

7.1 All adjudicative proceedings performed by the agency shall proceed informally as set forth herein and as authorized by UCA, Sections 63G-4-202 and 63G-4-203.

7.2 A person may request a hearing on a decision made by the AHJ, by filing an appeal to the Board within 20 days after receiving final decision from the AHJ.

7.3 All adjudicative proceedings, other than criminal prosecution, taken by the AHJ to enforce the Utah Fire Prevention and Safety Act, and these rules, shall commence in accordance with UCA, Section 63G-4-201.

7.4 The Board shall act as the hearing authority, and shall convene as an appeals board after timely notice to all parties involved.

7.5 The Board shall direct the SFM to issue a signed order to the parties involved giving the decision of the Board within a reasonable time of the hearing pursuant to UCA, Section 63G-4-203.

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R710. Public Safety, Fire Marshal.
R710-5. Automatic Fire Sprinkler System Inspecting and Testing.
R710-5-1. Adoption, Title, Purpose, and Prohibitions.

Pursuant to Section 53-7-204, Utah Code Annotated 1953, the Utah Fire Prevention Board adopts minimum rules to provide regulation to those who inspect and test Automatic Fire Sprinkler Systems.

There is adopted as part of these rules the following code which are incorporated by reference:

1.1 National Fire Protection Association, NFPA 25, Standard for the Inspection, Testing, and Maintenance of Water-Based Fire Protection Systems, 2008 edition, except as amended by provisions listed in R710-5-6, et seq.

1.2 A copy of the above-mentioned standard is on file in the Office of Administrative Rules and the State Fire Marshal's Office.

R710-5-2. Definitions.

2.1 "Annual" means a period of one year or 365 calendar days.

2.2 "Authority Having Jurisdiction (AHJ)" means the State Fire Marshal, his duly authorized deputies, or the local fire enforcement authority.

2.3 "Board" means Utah Fire Prevention Board.

2.4 "Certificates of Registration" means a written document issued by the SFM to any person for the purpose of granting permission to such person to perform any act or acts for which authorization is required.

2.5 "NFPA" means National Fire Protection Association.

2.6 "NICET" means National Institute for Certification in Engineering Technologies.

2.7 "SFM" means State Fire Marshal or authorized deputy.

2.8 "UCA" means Utah State Code Annotated 1953 as amended.

R710-5-3. Certificates of Registration.

3.1 Required Certificates of Registration.

No person shall engage in the inspecting and testing of automatic fire sprinkler systems without first receiving a certificate of registration issued by the SFM. The following groups are exempted from the requirements of this part:

3.1.1 The AHJ that is performing the initial installation acceptance testing of the automatic fire sprinkler system or ongoing inspections to verify compliance with the adopted NFPA standards and these rules.

3.1.2 The building owner or designee that performs additional periodic inspections beyond the annual inspection required in Section 6.2 of these rules, to satisfy requirements set by company policy, insurance, or risk management.

3.2 Application.

3.2.1 Application for a certificate of registration to inspect and test automatic fire sprinkler systems shall be made in writing to the SFM on forms provided the SFM. The applicant shall sign the application. The SFM or his deputies may request picture identification of the applicant for a certificate of registration.

3.2.2 The applicant shall indicate on the application which of the four technician levels the applicant will apply for:

3.2.2.1 Technician I

3.2.2.2 Technician II

3.2.2.3 Technician III

3.2.2.4 Master Technician

3.2.3 The application for a certificate of registration shall be accompanied with proof of public liability insurance from the certificate holder or employing concern. A public liability insurance carrier showing coverage of at least $100,000 for each incident, and $300,000 in total coverage shall issue the public liability insurance. The certificate of registration holder shall notify the SFM within 30 days after the public liability insurance coverage required is not longer in effect for any reason.

3.3 Technician Examination.

The SFM shall require all applicants for a certificate of registration as a technician to complete the following:

3.3.1 Technician I shall pass a written examination on wet pipe sprinkler systems, antifreeze sprinkler systems, and standpipes, and complete the manipulative skills task book.

3.3.2 Technician II shall pass all the requirements listed for Technician I; pass a written examination on dry pipe sprinkler systems, deluge sprinkler systems, preaction sprinkler systems, combined dry pipe-preaction systems, fire pumps, and water storage tanks, and complete the manipulative skills task book.

3.3.3 Technician III shall pass all the requirements listed for Technician I and II; pass a written examination on water spray fixed systems, foam-water sprinkler systems, and foam-water spray systems, and complete the manipulative skills task book.

3.3.4 Master Technician shall have successfully completed and be certified as NICET III in Inspection and Testing of Water-based Systems, and complete the manipulative skills task book.

3.4 Examinations will be given according to the following requirements:

3.4.1 All certification examinations given are open book examinations. The applicant is allowed to use the statute, the administrative rule, and the NFPA standard that applies to the certification examination. Any other materials to include cellular telephones are prohibited in the examination room.

3.4.2 Completion of the certification examination will not be allowed if it appears to the test administrator that the applicant has not prepared to take the examination.

3.4.3 Each certification examination taken has a time limit of two hours to completion. To successfully pass the written examination, the applicant must obtain a minimum grade of seventy percent (70%). Leaving the office or testing location before the completion of the examination voids the examination and will require the examination to be retaken by the applicant.

3.4.4 If there are different levels of proficiency in the subject matter, the lower proficiency level will be fully completed before the next higher proficiency will be administered.

3.4.5 To successfully complete the manipulative skills task book, all required skill tasks shall be signed as completed by a person duly qualified or certified in that skill.

3.5 As required in 3.3.4, those applicants that have successfully completed the requirements of NICET III, in Inspection and Testing of Water-based Systems, and that corresponds to the work to be performed by the applicant, shall have the requirement for initial written examination waived, after appropriate documentation is provided to the SFM by the applicant.

3.6 Issuance.

Following receipt of the properly completed application, compliance with Section 3.3 of these rules, the SFM shall issue a certificate of registration.

3.7 Original and Renewal Valid Date.

Original certificates of registration shall be valid for one year from the date of application. Thereafter, each certificate of registration shall be renewed annually and renewals shall be valid for one year from issuance.

3.8 Renewal Date.

Application for renewal shall be made as directed by the SFM.

3.9 Re-examination.

Every holder of a valid certificate of registration shall take a re-examination every three years, from date of original

certificate, to comply with the provisions of Section 3.3 of these rules as follows:

3.9.1 The re-examination to comply with the provisions of Section 3.3 of these rules shall consist of an open book examination for each level of certification, to be mailed to the certificate holder at least 60 days before the renewal date.

3.9.2 The re-examination will consist of questions that focus on changes in the last three years to the adopted NFPA standards, the statute, and the adopted administrative rules. The re-examination may also consist of questions that focus on practices of concern as noted by the Board or the SFM.

3.9.3 The certificate holder is responsible to complete the re-examination and return it to the SFM in sufficient time to renew.

3.9.4 The certificate holder is responsible to return to the SFM the correct renewal fees to complete that certificate renewal.

3.10 Refusal to Renew.

The SFM may refuse to renew any certificate of registration in the same manner and for any reason that he is authorized, pursuant to Section 7, to deny an original certificate of registration. The applicant shall, upon such refusal, have the same rights as are granted by Section 7 of these rules to an applicant for an original certificate of registration, which has been denied by the SFM.

3.11 Inspection.

The holder of a certificate of registration shall submit such certificate for inspection, upon request of the AHJ.

3.12 Type.

Every certificate of registration shall indicate the type of act or acts to be performed and for which the applicant has qualified as follows:

3.12.1 Technician I: A person who is engaged in the inspection and testing of wet pipe sprinkler systems, antifreeze sprinkler systems, and standpipes.

3.12.2 Technician II: A person who is engaged in the inspection and testing of dry pipe sprinkler systems, deluge sprinkler systems, preaction sprinkler systems, combined dry pipe-preaction systems, fire pumps and water storage tanks.

3.12.3 Technician III: A person who is engaged in the inspection and testing of foam-water sprinkler systems, foam-water spray systems, and water spray fixed systems.

3.12.4 Master Technician: A person who has obtained NICET III certification in Inspection and Testing of Water-based Systems.

3.13 Change of Address.

Any change in home address of any holder of a valid certificate of registration shall be reported in writing, by the registered person to the SFM within 30 days of such change.

3.14 Duplicate.

A duplicate certificate of registration may be issued by the SFM to replace any previously issued certificate, which has been lost or destroyed.

3.15 Minimum Age.

No certificate of registration shall be issued to any person who is under 18 years of age.

3.16 Restrictive Use.

3.16.1 A certificate of registration may be used for identification purposes only as long as such certificate remains valid.

3.16.2 Regardless of the acts authorized to be performed by a licensed concern, only those acts for which the applicant for a certificate of registration has qualified shall be permissible by such applicant.

3.17 Right to Contest.

3.17.1 Every person who takes an examination for a certificate of registration shall have the right to contest the validity of individual questions of such examination.

3.17.2 Every contention as to the validity of individual questions of an examination shall be made within 48 hours after taking said examination.

3.17.3 The decision as to the action to be taken on the submitted contention shall be made by the SFM, and such decision shall be final.

3.17.4 The decision made by the SFM, and the action taken, shall be reflected in all future examinations, but shall not affect the grades established in any past examination.

3.18 Non-Transferable.

Certificates of Registration shall not be transferable. The person to whom issued shall carry individual certificates of registration.

3.19 Certificate of Registration Identification.

Every certificate shall be identified by a number, delineated as AFS-(number). Such number shall not be transferred from one person to another.

3.20 New Employees

New or existing employees desiring to attain a Certificate of Registration may perform the various acts required while under the constant direct supervision of a person holding a valid certificate of registration for a period not to exceed 60 days from the initial date of employment or beginning service in the field.

R710-5-4. Service Tags.

4.1 Size and Color.

4.1.1 Tags shall be not more than five and one-half inches (5-1/2") in height, nor less than four and one-half inches (4-1/2") in height, and not more than three inches (3") in width, nor less than two and one-half inches (2-1/2") in width.

4.1.2 Tags may be produced in any color except red or a variation of red.

4.1.3 A red tag shall be used to indicate the system fails to ensure a reasonable degree of protection for life and property from fire through inspecting and testing of automatic fire sprinkler systems as required in NFPA, Standard 25, and the requirements of these rules. After placing the red tag on the system, the certified person shall notify the AHJ and provide the AHJ with a written copy of the noted deficiencies.

4.2 Placement of Tag.

The service tag shall be attached at the sprinkler riser for each system inspected or at other locations as needed to show compliance. The service tag shall be attached to the riser in such a position as to be conveniently inspected by the AHJ.

4.3 Tag Information.

4.3.1 Service tags shall bear the following information:

4.3.1.1 Provisions of Section 4.7.

4.3.1.2 Approved Seal of Registration of the SFM.

4.3.1.3 Certificate of registration "AFS" number of individual who performed or supervised the service or services performed.

4.3.1.4 Signature of individual whose certificate of registration number appears on the tag.

4.3.1.5 Concern's name.

4.3.1.6 Concern's address.

4.3.1.7 Type of service performed.

4.3.1.8 Type of system serviced.

4.3.1.9 Date service is performed.

4.3.2 The above information shall appear on one side of the service tag. All other desired printing or information shall be placed on the reverse side of the tag.

4.4 Legibility.

4.4.1 The certificate of registration number required in Section 4.3.1.3, and the signature required in Section 4.3.1.4, shall be printed or written distinctly.

4.4.2 All information pertaining to date and type of service shall be indicated on the card by perforations in the appropriate space provided. Each perforation shall clearly indicate the desired information.

4.5 Format.

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4.6 New Tag.

A new service tag shall be attached to a system each time a service is performed.

4.7 Tag Wording.

The following wording shall be placed at the top or reinforced ring end of every tag: "DO NOT REMOVE, BY ORDER OF THE STATE FIRE MARSHAL".

4.8 Removal.

4.8.1 No person or persons shall remove a service tag except when further service is performed.

4.8.2 No person shall deface, modify, or alter any service tag that is required to be attached to the system.

4.8.3 A red tag can only be removed by written authority from the AHJ.

4.9 Tag Dates

Service tags may be printed for any number of years not to exceed eight years.

R710-5-5. Seal of Registration.

5.1 Description.

The official seal of registration of the SFM shall consist of the following:

5.1.1 The image of the State of Utah shall be in the center with an outer ring stating, "Utah State Fire Marshal".

5.1.1.1 The top portion of the outer ring shall have the wording "Utah State".

5.1.1.2 The bottom portion of the outer ring shall have the wording "Fire Marshal".

5.1.2 Appending below the bottom portion and in a centered position, shall be a box provided for the displaying of the certification number assigned to the person.

5.2 Use of Seal.

No person shall produce, reproduce, or use this seal in any manner or for any purpose except as herein provided.

5.3 Permissive Use.

Certificate holders or concerns shall use the Seal of Registration on every service tag.

5.4 Cease Use Order.

No person or concern shall continue the use of the Seal of Registration in any manner or for any purpose after receipt of a notice in writing from the SFM to that effect, or upon the suspension or revocation of the certificate of registration.

5.5 Legibility.

Every reproduction of the Seal of Registration and every letter and number placed thereon, shall be of sufficient size to render such seal, letter, and number distinct and clearly legible.

R710-5-6. Amendments and Additions.

6.1 Service.

At the time of service, all servicing shall be done in accordance with the adopted NFPA standard, adopted statutes, and these rules.

6.2 Frequency

Automatic fire sprinkler systems, standpipes, and fire pumps shall be inspected annually by a person holding a certificate of registration as required in Section 3.1 of these rules.

6.3 Accepted Forms

One of the two forms listed in NFPA, Standard 25, Annex B, B.1, or a similar equivalent approved by the SFM shall be used as the accepted forms for testing and inspecting fire sprinkler systems.

6.4 New Systems

Newly installed automatic fire sprinkler systems, standpipes, and fire pumps are exempt from the annual testing requirement required in Section 6.2 of these rules, for one year from the approval date of the initial installation acceptance testing.

R710-5-7. Adjudicative Proceedings.

7.1 All adjudicative proceedings performed by the agency shall proceed informally as authorized by UCA, Sections 63G-4-202 and 63G-4-203.

7.2 The issuance, renewal, or continued validity of a certificate of registration may be denied, suspended, or revoked, if the SFM finds that the applicant or the person has committed any of the following violations:

7.2.1 The applicant or person is not the real person in interest.

7.2.2 The applicant or person provides material misrepresentation or false statements on the application.

7.2.3 The applicant or person refuses to allow inspection by the SFM, or his duly authorized deputies.

7.2.4 The applicant or person for a certificate of registration does not have the proper equipment to conduct the operations for which application is made.

7.2.5 The applicant or person for a certificate of registration does not possess the qualifications of skill or competence to conduct the operations for which application is made, as evidenced by failure to pass the examination pursuant to Section 3.3 of these rules.

7.2.6 The applicant or person refuses to take the examination required by Section 3.3 of these rules.

7.2.7 The applicant or person fails to pay the certification of registration, examination or other required fees as required in Section 8 of these rules.

7.2.8 The applicant or person has been convicted of one or more federal, state or local laws.

7.2.9 The applicant or person has been convicted of a violation of the adopted rules or been found by a Board administrative proceeding to have violated the adopted rules.

7.2.10 Any offense or finding of unlawful conduct, or there is or may be, a threat to the public's health or safety if the applicant or person were granted a certificate of registration.

7.2.11 There are other factors upon which a reasonable and prudent person would rely to determine the suitability of the applicant or person to safely and competently engage in the practice of servicing fire sprinkler system equipment.

7.3 A person whose certificate of registration is suspended or revoked by the SFM shall have an opportunity for a hearing before the Board if requested by that person within 20 days after receiving notice.

7.4 All adjudicative proceedings, other than criminal prosecution, taken by the SFM to enforce the Utah Fire Prevention and Safety Act, and these rules, shall commence in accordance with UCA, Section 63G-4-201.

7.5 The Board shall act as the hearing authority, and shall convene after timely notice to all parties involved. The Board shall be the final authority on the suspension or revocation of a certificate of registration.

7.6 The Board shall direct the SFM to issue a signed order to the parties involved giving the decision of the Board within a reasonable time of the hearing pursuant to UCA, Section 63G-4-203.

7.7 Reconsideration of the Board decision may be requested in writing within 20 days of the date of the decision pursuant to UCA, Section 63G-4-302.

7.8 After a period of three years from the date of revocation, the Board shall review the submitted written application of a person whose certificate of registration has been revoked. After timely notice to all parties involved, the Board shall convene to review the revoked persons application, and that person shall be allowed to present themselves and their case before the Board. After the hearing, the Board shall direct the SFM to allow the person to complete the certification process or shall direct that the revocation be continued.

7.9 Judicial review of all final Board actions resulting from informal adjudicative proceedings shall be conducted pursuant to UCA, Section 63G-4-402.

R710-1-8. Fees.

8.1 Fee Schedule.

8.1.1 Certificates of Registration (new and renewals):

8.1.1.1 Certificate of registration - $30.00

8.1.1.2 Duplicate - $30.00

8.1.2 Examinations:

8.1.2.1 Initial examination - $20.00

8.1.2.2 Re-examination - $20.00

8.1.2.3 Three-year examination - $20.00

8.2 Payment of Fees.

The required fee shall accompany the application for certificate of registration. Certificate of registration fees will be refunded if the application is denied.

8.3 Late Renewal Fees.

8.3.1 Any certificate of registration not renewed on or before the original date of issuance will be subject to an additional fee equal to 10% of the required fee.

8.3.2 When a certificate of registration has expired for more than one year, an application shall be made for an original certificate as if the application was being made for the first time.

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R710. Public Safety, Fire Marshal.
R710-6. Liquefied Petroleum Gas Rules.
R710-6-1. Adoption, Title, Purpose and Scope.

Pursuant to Title 53, Chapter 7, Section 305, Utah State Code Annotated 1953, the Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) Board adopts minimum rules to provide regulation to those who distribute, transfer, dispense or install LP Gas and/or its appliances in the State of Utah.

There is adopted as part of these rules the following codes which are incorporated by reference:

1.1 National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), Standard 58, LP Gas Code, 2008 edition, except as amended by provisions listed in R710-6-8, et seq.

1.2 National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), Standard 54, National Fuel Gas Code, 2006 edition, except as amended by provisions listed in R710-6-8, et seq.

1.3 National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), Standard 1192, Standard on Recreational Vehicles, 2005 Edition, except as amended by provisions listed in R710-6-8, et seq.

1.4 International Fire Code (IFC), Chapter 38, 2006 edition, as published by the International Code Council, Inc. (ICC), except as amended by provisions listed in R710-6-8, et seq.

1.5 A copy of the above codes are on file with the Division of Administrative Rules, and the State Fire Marshal's Office. The definitions contained in the afore referenced codes shall also pertain to these rules.

1.6 Title.

These rules shall be known as "Rules Governing LPG Operations in the State of Utah" and may be cited as such, and will be hereinafter referred to as "these rules".

1.7 Validity.

If any article, section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase, of these rules is, for any reason, held to be unconstitutional, contrary to statute, or exceeding the authority of the LPG Board such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion of these rules.

1.8 Conflicts.

In the event where separate requirements pertain to the same situation in the same code, or between different codes or standards as adopted, the more restrictive requirement shall govern, as determined by the enforcing authority.

R710-6-2. Definitions.

2.1 "Board" means the Liquefied Petroleum Gas Board.

2.2 "Concern" means a person, firm, corporation, partnership, or association, licensed by the Board.

2.3 "Dispensing System" means equipment in which LP Gas is transferred from one container to another in liquid form.

2.4 "Division" means the Division of the State Fire Marshal.

2.5 "Enforcing Authority" means the division, the municipal or county fire department, other fire prevention agency acting within its respective fire prevention jurisdiction, or the building official of any city or county.

2.6 "ICC" means International Code Council, Inc.

2.7 "IFC" means International Fire Code.

2.8 "License" means a written document issued by the Division authorizing a concern to be engaged in an LPG business.

2.9 "LPG" means Liquefied Petroleum Gas.

2.10 "LPG Certificate" means a written document issued by the Division to any person for the purpose of granting permission to such person to perform any act or acts for which authorization is required.

2.11 "NFPA" means the National Fire Protection Association.

2.12 "Possessory Rights" means the right to possess LPG, but excludes broker trading or selling.

2.13 "Public Place" means a highway, street, alley or other parcel of land, essentially unobstructed, which is deeded, dedicated or otherwise appropriated to the public for public use, and where the public exists, travels, traverses or is likely to frequent.

2.14 "Qualified Instructor" means a person holding a valid LPG certificate in the area in which he is instructing.

2.15 "UCA" means Utah State Code Annotated 1953 as amended.

R710-6-3. Licensing.

3.1 Type of license.

3.1.1 Class I: A licensed dealer who is engaged in the business of installing gas appliances or systems for the use of LPG and who sells, fills, refills, delivers, or is permitted to deliver any LPG.

3.1.2 Class II: A business engaged in the sale, transportation, and exchange of cylinders, but not transporting or transferring gas in liquid.

3.1.3 Class III: A business not engaged in the sale of LPG, but engaged in the sale and installation of gas appliances, or LPG systems.

3.1.4 Class IV: Those businesses listed below:

3.1.4.1 Dispensers

3.1.4.2 Sale of containers greater than 96 pounds water capacity.

3.1.4.3 Other LPG businesses not listed above.

3.2 Signature on Application.

The application shall be signed by an authorized representative of the applicant. If the application is made by a partnership, it shall be signed by at least one partner. If the application is made by a corporation or association other than a partnership, it shall be signed by the principal officers, or authorized agents.

3.3 Issuance.

Following receipt of the properly completed application, an inspection, completion of all inspection requirements, and compliance with the provision of the statute and these rules, the Division shall issue a license.

3.4 Original, Valid Date.

Original licenses shall be valid for one year from the date of application. Thereafter, each license shall be renewed annually and renewals thereof shall be valid for one year from issuance.

3.5 Renewal.

Application for renewal shall be made on forms provided by the SFM.

3.6 Refusal to Renew.

The Board may refuse to renew any license in the same manner, and for any reason, that they are authorized, pursuant to Article 5 of these rules to deny a license. The applicant shall, upon such refusal, have the same rights as are granted by Article 5 of this article to an applicant for a license which has been denied by the Board.

3.7 Change of Address.

Every licensee shall notify the Division, in writing, within thirty (30) days of any change of his address.

3.8 Under Another Name.

No licensee shall conduct his licensed business under a name other than the name or names which appears on his license.

3.9 List of Licensed Concerns.

3.9.1 The Division shall make available, upon request and without cost, to the Enforcing Authority, the name, address, and license number of each concern that is licensed pursuant to these rules.

3.9.2 Upon request, single copies of such list shall be furnished, without cost, to a licensed concern.

3.10 Inspection.

The holder of any license shall submit such license for inspection upon request of the Division or the Enforcing Authority.

3.11 Notification and LPG Certificate.

Every licensed concern shall, within twenty (20) days of employment, and within twenty (20) days of termination of any employee, report to the Division, the name, address, and LPG certificate number, if any, of every person performing any act requiring an LPG certificate for such licensed concern.

3.12 Posting.

Every license issued pursuant to the provisions of these rules shall be posted in a conspicuous place on the premises of the licensed location.

3.13 Duplicate License.

A duplicate license may be issued by the Division to replace any previously issued license, which has been lost or destroyed, upon the submission of a written statement from the licensee to the Division. Such statement shall attest to the fact that the license has been lost or destroyed. If the original license is found it shall be surrendered to Division within 15 days.

3.14 Registration Number.

Every license shall be identified by a number, delineated as P-(number).

3.15 Accidents, Reporting.

Any accident where a licensee and LPG are involved must be reported to the Board in writing by the affected licensee within 3 days upon receipt of information of the accident. The report must contain any pertinent information such as the location, names of persons involved, cause, contributing factors, and the type of accident. If death or serious injury of person(s), or property damage of $5000.00 or more results from the accident, the report must be made immediately by telephone and followed by a written report.

3.16 Board investigation of accidents.

At their discretion, the Board will investigate, or direct the Division to investigate, all serious accidents as defined in Subsection 3.15.

R710-6-4. LP Gas Certificates.

4.1 Application.

Application for an LPG certificate shall be made in writing to the Division. The application shall be signed by the applicant.

4.2 Examination.

Every person who performs any act or acts within the scope of a license issued under these rules, shall pass an initial examination in accordance with the provisions of this article.

4.3 Types of Initial Examinations:

4.3.1 Carburetion

4.3.2 Dispenser

4.3.3 HVAC/Plumber

4.3.4 Recreational Vehicle Service

4.3.5 Serviceman

4.3.6 Transportation and Delivery

4.4 Initial Examinations.

4.4.1 The initial examination shall include an open book written test of the applicant's knowledge of the work to be performed by the applicant. The written examination questions shall be taken from the adopted statute, administrative rules, NFPA 54, and NFPA 58.

4.4.2 The initial examination shall also include a practical or actual demonstration of some selected aspects of the job to be performed by the applicant.

4.4.3 To successfully complete the written and practical initial examinations, the applicant must obtain a minimum grade of seventy percent (70%) in each portion of the examination taken. Each portion of the examination will be graded separately. Failure of any one portion of the examination will not delete the entire test.

4.4.4 Examinations may be given at various field locations as deemed necessary by the Division. Appointments for field examinations are required.

4.4.5 As required in Sections 4.2 and 4.3 of these rules, those applicants that have successfully completed the requirements of the Certified Employee Training Program (CETP), as written by the National Propane Gas Association, and that corresponds to the work to be performed by the applicant, shall have the requirement for initial examination waived, after appropriate documentation is provided to the Division by the applicant.

4.4.6 As required in Sections 4.2 and 4.3.6 of these rules, those applicants that have successfully completed the requirements in Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 49, Parts 172.700, 172.704, 177.800 and 177.816, that corresponds to the work to be performed by the applicant, shall have the requirement for initial examination waived, after appropriate documentation is provided to the Division by the applicant.

4.4.7 As required in Sections 4.2 and 4.3.3 of these rules, those applicants that have successfully completed the Rocky Mountain Gas Association, Natural Gas Technician Certification Exam with a passing score, shall have the requirement for initial examination waived, after appropriate documentation is provided to the Division by the applicant.

4.4.8 As required in Sections 4.2 and 4.3.3 of these rules, those applicants that are licensed journeyman plumbers as required in the Constructions Trades Licensing Act Plumber Licensing Rules, R156-55c, shall have the requirement for initial examination waived, after appropriate documentation is provided to the Division by the applicant.

4.5 Original and Renewal Date.

Original LPG certificates shall be valid for one year from the date of issuance. Thereafter, each LPG certificate shall be renewed annually and renewals thereof shall be valid from for one year from issuance.

4.6 Renewal Date.

Application for renewal shall be made on forms provided by the Division.

4.7 Re-examination.

Every holder of a valid LPG Certificate shall take a re-examination every five years from the date of original certificate issuance, to comply with the provisions of Section 4.3 of these rules as follows:

4.7.1 The re-examination to comply with the provisions of Section 4.3 of these rules shall consist of an open book examination, to be mailed to the certificate holder at least 60 days before the renewal date.

4.7.2 The open book re-examination will consist of questions that focus on changes in the last five years to NFPA 54, NFPA 58, the statute, or the adopted administrative rules. The re-examination may also consist of questions that focus on practices of concern as noted by the Board or Division.

4.7.3 The certificate holder is responsible to complete the re-examination and return it to the Division in sufficient time to renew.

4.7.4 The certificate holder is responsible to return to the Division with the re-examination the correct renewal fees to complete that certificate renewal.

4.7.5 As required in Section 4.7 of these rules, those applicants that have successfully completed the requirements in Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 49, Parts 172.700, 172.704, 177.800 and 177.816, that corresponds to the work to be performed by the applicant, shall have the requirement for re-examination waived, after appropriate documentation is provided to the Division by the applicant.

4.7.6 As required in Section 4.7 of these rules, those applicants that provide the Division with written verification of the completion of 40 hours of continuing training over the

previous five-year period shall have the requirement for re-examination waived.

4.8 Refusal to Renew.

The Division may refuse to renew any LPG certificate in the same manner and for any reason that is authorized pursuant to Section 5.2 of these rules.

4.9 Inspection.

The holder of a LPG certificate shall submit such certificate for inspection, upon request of the Division or the enforcing authority.

4.10 Type.

4.10.1 Every LPG certificate shall indicate the type of act or acts to be performed and for which the applicant has qualified.

4.10.2 Any person holding a valid LPG certificate shall not be authorized to perform any act unless he is a licensee or is employed by a licensed concern.

4.10.3 It is the responsibility of the LPG certificate holder to insure that the concern they are employed by is licensed under this act.

4.11 Change of Address.

Any change in home address of any holder of a valid LPG certificate shall be reported by the registered person to the Division within thirty (30) days of such change.

4.12 Duplicate.

A duplicate LPG certificate may be issued by the Division to replace any previously issued certificate which has been lost or destroyed upon the submission of a written statement to the Division from the certified person. Such statement shall attest to the certificate having been lost or destroyed. If the original is found, it shall be surrendered to the Division within 15 days.

4.13 Contents of Certificate of Registration.

Every LPG certificate issued shall contain the following information:

4.13.1 The name and address of the applicant.

4.13.2 The physical description of applicant.

4.13.3 The signature of the LP Gas Board Chairman.

4.13.4 The date of issuance.

4.13.5 The expiration date.

4.13.6 Type of service the person is qualified to perform.

4.13.7 Have printed on the card the following: "This certificate is for identification only, and shall not be used for recommendation or advertising".

4.14 Minimum Age.

No LPG certificate shall be issued to any person who is under sixteen (16) years of age.

4.15 Restrictive Use.

4.15.1 No LPG certificate shall constitute authorization for any person to enforce any provisions of these rules.

4.15.2 A LPG certificate may be used for identification purposes only as long as such certificate remains valid and while the holder is employed by a licensed concern.

4.15.3 Regardless of the acts for which the applicant has qualified, the performance of only those acts authorized under the licensed concern employing such applicant shall be permissible.

4.15.4 Regardless of the acts authorized to be performed by a licensed concern, only those acts for which the applicant for a LPG certificate has qualified shall be permissible by such applicant.

4.16 Right to Contest.

4.16.1 Every person who takes an examination for a LPG certificate shall have the right to contest the validity of individual questions of such examination.

4.16.2 Every contention as to the validity of individual questions of an examination that cannot be reasonably resolved, shall be made in writing to the Division within 48 hours after taking said examination. Contentions shall state the reason for the objection.

4.16.3 The decision as to the action to be taken on the submitted contention shall be by the Board, and such decision shall be final.

4.16.4 The decision made by the Board, and the action taken, shall be reflected in all future examinations, but shall not affect the grades established in any past examination.

4.17 Non-Transferable.

LPG Certificates shall not be transferable to another individual. Individual LPG certificates shall be carried by the person to whom issued.

4.18 New Employees.

New employees of a licensed concern may perform the various acts while under the direct supervision of persons holding a valid LPG certificate for a period not to exceed 45 days from the initial date of employment. By the end of such period, new employees shall have taken and passed the required examination. In the event the employee fails the examination, re-examination shall be taken within 30 days. The employee shall remain under the direct supervision of an employee holding a valid LPG certificate, until certified.

4.19 Certificate Identification.

Every LPG certificate shall be identified by a number, delineated as PE-(number). Such number shall not be transferred from one person to another.

R710-6-5. Adjudicative Proceedings.

5.1 All adjudicative proceedings performed by the agency shall proceed informally as set forth herein and as authorized by UCA, Sections 63G-4-202 and 63G-4-203.

5.2 The issuance, renewal, or continued validity of a license or LPG certificate may be denied, suspended or revoked by the Division, if the Division finds that the applicant, person employed for, or the person having authority and management of a concern commits any of the following violations:

5.2.1 The person or applicant is not the real person in interest.

5.2.2 The person or applicant provides material misrepresentation or false statement in the application, whether original or renewal.

5.2.3 The person or applicant refuses to allow inspection by the Division or enforcing authority on an annual basis to determine compliance with the provisions of these rules.

5.2.4 The person, applicant, or concern for a license does not have the proper or necessary facilities, including qualified personnel, to conduct the operations for which application is made.

5.2.5 The person or applicant for a LPG certificate does not possess the qualifications of skill or competence to conduct the operations for which application is made. This can also be evidenced by failure to pass the examination and/or practical tests.

5.2.6 The person or applicant refuses to take the examination.

5.2.7 The person or applicant has been convicted of a violation of one or more federal, state or local laws.

5.2.8 The person or applicant has been convicted of a violation of the adopted rules or been found by a Board administrative proceeding to have violated the adopted rules.

5.2.9 Any offense of finding of unlawful conduct, or there is or may be, a threat to the public's health or safety if the person or applicant were granted a license or certificate of registration.

5.2.10 There are other factors upon which a reasonable and prudent person would rely to determine the suitability of the person or applicant to safely and competently distribute, transfer, dispense or install LP Gas and/or it's appliances.

5.2.11 The person or applicant does not complete the re-examination process by the person or applicants certificate or license expiration date.

5.2.12 The person or applicant fails to pay the license fee,

certificate of registration fee, examination fee or other fees as required in Section 6 of these rules.

5.3 A person whose license or certificate of registration is suspended or revoked by the Division shall have an opportunity for a hearing before the LPG Board if requested by that person within 20 days after receiving notice.

5.4 All adjudicative proceedings, other than criminal prosecution, taken by the Enforcing Authority to enforce the Liquefied Petroleum Gas Section, Utah Fire Prevention and Safety Act, and these rules, shall commence in accordance with UCA, Section 63G-4-201.

5.5 The Board shall act as the hearing authority, and shall convene after timely notice to all parties involved. The Board shall be the final authority on the suspension or revocation of a license or certificate of registration.

5.6 The Board shall direct the Division to issue a signed order to the parties involved giving the decision of the Board within a reasonable time of the hearing pursuant to UCA, Section 63G-4-203.

5.7 Reconsideration of the Board's decision may be requested in writing within 20 days of the date of the decision pursuant to UCA, Section 63G-4-302.

5.8 After a period of three (3) years from the date of revocation, the Board may review the written application of a person whose license or certificate of registration has been revoked.

5.9 Judicial review of all final Board actions resulting from informal adjudicative proceedings is available pursuant to UCA, Section 63G-4-402.

R710-6-6. Fees.

6.1 Fee Schedule.

6.1.1 License and LPG Certificates (new and renewals):

6.1.1.1 License

6.1.1.1.1 Class I - $450.00

6.1.1.1.2 Class II - $450.00

6.1.1.1.3 Class III - $105.00

6.1.1.1.4 Class IV - $150.00

6.1.1.2 Branch office license - $338.00

6.1.1.3 LPG Certificate - $40.00

6.1.1.4 LPG Certificate (Dispenser--Class B) - $20.00

6.1.1.5 Duplicate - $30.00

6.1.2 Examinations:

6.1.2.1 Initial examination - $30.00

6.1.2.2 Re-examination - $30.00

6.1.2.3 Five year examination - $30.00

6.1.3 Plan Reviews:

6.1.3.1 More than 5000 water gallons of LPG - $150.00

6.1.3.2 5,000 water gallons or less of LPG - $75.00

6.1.4 Special Inspections.

6.1.4.1 Per hour of inspection - $50.00

(charged in half hour increments with part half hours charged as full half hours).

6.1.5 Re-inspection (3rd Inspection or more) - $250.00

6.1.6 Private Container Inspection (More than one container) - $150.00

6.1.7 Private Container Inspection (One container) - $75.00

6.2 Payment of Fees.

The required fee shall accompany the application for license or LPG certificate or submission of plans for review.

6.3 Late Renewal Fees.

6.3.1 Any license or LPG certificate not renewed on or before one year from the original date of issuance will be subject to an additional fee equal to 10% of the required fee.

6.3.2 When an LPG certificate has expired for more than one year, an application shall be made for an original certificate as if the application was being taken for the first time. Examinations will be retaken with initial examination fees.

R710-6-7. Board Procedures.

7.1 The Board will review the Division and Enforcing Authorities activities since the last meeting, and review and act on license and permit applications, review financial transactions, consider recommendations of the Division, and all other matters brought to the Board.

7.2 The Board may be asked to serve as a review board for items under disagreement.

7.3 Board meetings shall be presided over and conducted by the chairman and in his absence the vice chairman.

7.4 Meetings of the Board shall be conducted in accordance with an agenda, which shall be submitted to the members by the Division, not less than twenty-one (21) days before the regularly scheduled Board meeting.

7.5 The chairman of the Board and Board members shall be entitled to vote on all issues considered by the Board. A Board member who declares a conflict of interest or where a conflict of interest has been determined, shall not vote on that particular issue.

7.6 Public notice of Board meetings shall be made by the Division as prescribed in UCA Section 52-4-6.

7.7 The Division shall provide the Board with a secretary, who shall prepare minutes and shall perform all secretarial duties necessary for the Board to fulfill its responsibility. The minutes of Board meetings shall be completed and sent to Board members at least twenty-one (21) days prior to the scheduled Board meeting.

7.8 The Board may be called upon to interpret codes adopted by the Board.

7.9 The Board Chairman may assign member(s) various assignments as required to aid in the promotion of safety, health and welfare in the use of LPG.

R710-6-8. Amendments and Additions.

The following amendments and additions are hereby adopted by the Board:

8.1 All LP Gas facilities that are located in a public place shall be inspected by a certified LP Gas serviceman every five (5) years for leaks in all buried piping as follows:

8.1.1 All buried piping shall be pressure tested and inspected for leaks as set forth in NFPA Standard 54, Sections 4.1.1 through 4.3.4.

8.1.2 If a leak is detected and repaired, the buried piping shall again be pressure tested for leaks.

8.1.3 The certified LP Gas serviceman shall keep a written record of the inspection and all corrections made to the buried piping located in a public place.

8.1.4 The inspection records shall be available to be inspected on a regular basis by the Division.

8.2 Whenever the Division is required to complete more than two inspections to receive compliance on an LP Gas System, container, apparatus, appliance, appurtenance, tank or tank trailer, or any pertinent equipment for the storage, transportation or dispensation of LP Gas, the Division shall charge to the owner for each additional inspection, the re-inspection fee as stated in R710-6-6.1(e).

8.3 All LP Gas containers of more than 5000 water gallons shall be inspected at least biannually for compliance with the adopted statute and rules. The following containers are exempt from this requirement:

8.3.1 Those excluded from the act in UCA, Section 53-7-303.

8.3.2 Containers under federal control.

8.3.3 Containers under the control of the U.S. Department of Transportation and used for transportation of LP Gas.

8.3.4 Containers located at private residences.

8.4 Those using self-serve key or card services shall be trained in safe filling practices by the licensed dealer providing the services. A letter shall be sent to the Division by the

licensed dealer stating that those using the self-serve key or card service have been trained.

8.5 IFC Amendments:

8.5.1 IFC, Chapter 38, Section 3801.2 Permits. On line 2 after the word "105.7" add "and the adopted LPG rules".

8.5.2 IFC, Chapter 38, Section 3803.1 is deleted and rewritten as follows: General. LP Gas equipment shall be installed in accordance with NFPA 54, NFPA 58, the adopted LP Gas Administrative Rules, and the International Fuel Gas Code, except as otherwise provided in this chapter.

8.5.3 IFC, Chapter 38, Section 3809.12 is deleted and rewritten as follows: In Table 3809.12, Doorway or opening to a building with two or more means of egress, with regard to quantities 720 or less and 721-2,500, the currently stated "5" is deleted and replaced with "10".

8.5.4 IFC, Chapter 38, Section 3809.14 is amended as follows: Delete "20" from line three and replace it with "10".

8.6 NFPA, Standard 58 Amendments:

8.6.1 NFPA, Standard 58, Section 5.2.1.1 is amended to add the following section: (c) All new, used or existing containers of 5000 water gallons or less, installed in the State of Utah or relocated within the State of Utah shall be stamped and meet the requirements listed in ASME, Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code, Section VIII, "Rules for the Construction of Unfired Pressure Vessels". All new, used or existing containers of more than 5000 water gallons, installed in the State of Utah or relocated within the State of Utah shall be stamped and meet the requirements listed in ASME, Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code, Section VIII, "Rules for the Construction of Unfired Pressure Vessels", and shall be inspected for approval by the Division. If the Division has concerns about the integrity or condition of the container, additional nondestructive testing may be required to include but not limited to hydrostatic testing, ultrasonic metal thickness testing or any other testing as determined necessary by the Division. All incurred costs for additional testing required by the Division shall be the responsibility of the owner.

8.6.2 NFPA, Standard 58, Section 5.2.1.1 is amended to add the following section: (d) If an existing container is relocated within the State of Utah, and does not bear the required ASME construction stamp, the owner may submit to the Division a request for "Special Classification Permit". Specifications of the type of container, container history if known, material specifications and calculations, and condition of the container shall be submitted to the Division by the owner. The Division shall inspect the container for approval. If the Division has concerns about the integrity or condition of the container, additional nondestructive tests such as hydrostatic testing, ultrasonic metal thickness testing or any other testing as determined necessary by the Division. All incurred costs of testing and evaluations shall be the responsibility of the owner. The Division will approve or disapprove the proposed container. Approval by the Division shall be obtained before the container is set or filled with LP Gas.

8.6.3 NFPA, Standard 58, Section 5.2.1.5 is amended to add the following section:

(A) Repairs and alterations shall only be made by those holding a National Board "R" Certificate of Authorization commonly known as an R Stamp.

8.6.4 NFPA Standard 58, Sections 5.8.3.2(3)(a) and (b) are deleted and rewritten as follows:

Type K copper tubing without joints below grade may be used in exterior LP Gas piping systems only.

8.6.5 NFPA, Standard 58, Section 6.6.1.2 is amended to add the following: When guard posts are installed they shall be installed meeting the following requirements:

8.6.5.1 Constructed of steel not less than four inches in diameter and filled with concrete.

8.6.5.2 Set with spacing not more than four feet apart.

8.6.5.3 Buried three feet in the ground in concrete not less than 15 inches in diameter.

8.6.5.4 Set with the tops of the posts not less than three feet above the ground.

8.6.6 NFPA, Standard 58, Section 6.6.3 is amended to add the following section: 6.6.3.9 Skid mounted ASME horizontal containers greater than 2000 water gallons, with non-fireproofed steel mounted attached supports, resting on concrete, pavement, gravel or firm packed earth, may be mounted on the attached supports to a maximum of 12 inches from the top of the skid to the bottom of the container.

8.6.7 NFPA, Standard 58, Section 6.6.6 is amended to add the following: (M) All metallic equipment and components that are buried or mounded shall have cathodic protection installed to protect the metal.

8.6.7.1 Sacrificial anodes shall be installed as required by the size of the container. If more than one sacrificial anode is required they shall be evenly distributed around the container.

8.6.7.2 Sacrificial anodes shall be connected to the container or piping as recommended by the manufacturer or using accepted engineering practices.

8.6.7.3 Sacrificial anodes shall be placed as near the bottom of the container as possible and approximately two feet away from the container.

8.6.8 NFPA, Standard 58, Section 6.22.3.13 is added as follows: On dispensing installations, 1000 gallon water capacity or less, where the dispensing cabinet is located next to the LP Gas container, stainless steel wire braid hose of more than 36 inches in length may be used on vapor and liquid return lines only. The hose shall be secured and routed in a safe and professional manner, marked with the date of installation, and shall be replaced every five years from that installation date.

8.6.8 NFPA, Standard 58, Section 8.4.1.1(1) is amended as follows: On line one remove "5ft (1.5m)" and replace it with "10 ft (3m)".

R710-6-9. Penalties.

9.1 Civil penalties for violation of any rule or referenced code shall be as follows:

9.1.1 Concern failure to license - $210.00 to $900.00

9.1.2 Person failure to obtain LPG Certificate - $30.00 to $90.00

9.1.3 Failure of concern to obtain LPG Certificate for employees who dispense LPG - $210.00 to $900.00

9.1.4 Concern doing business under improper class - $140.00 to $600.00

9.1.5 Failure to notify SFM of change of address - $60.00

9.1.6 Violation of the adopted Statute or Rules - $210.00 to $900.00

9.2 Rationale.

9.2.1 Double the fee plus the cost of the license.

9.2.2 Double the fee plus the cost of the certificate.

9.2.3 Double the fee plus the cost of the license.

9.2.4 Double the fee.

9.2.5 Based on two hours of inspection fee at $30.00 per hour.

9.2.6 Triple the fee.

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R710. Public Safety, Fire Marshal.
R710-7. Concerns Servicing Automatic Fire Suppression Systems.
R710-7-1. Adoption of Codes.

Pursuant to Title 53, Chapter 7, Section 204, Utah Code Annotated 1953, the Utah State Fire Prevention Board adopts rules to provide regulation to those concerns that service Automatic Fire Suppression Systems. These rules do not apply to standpipe systems, deluge systems, or automatic fire sprinkler systems.

There is adopted as part of these rules the following codes which are incorporated by reference:

1.1 National Fire Protection Association, Standard 12, Standard on Carbon Dioxide Extinguishing Systems, 2008 edition; N.F.P.A., Standard 12A, Halon 1301 Fire Extinguishing Systems, 2004 edition; N.F.P.A., Standard 12B, Halon 1211 Fire Extinguishing Systems, 1990 edition; N.F.P.A., Standard 17, Standard for Dry Chemical Extinguishing Systems, 2002 edition; N.F.P.A., Standard 17A, Standard for Wet Chemical Extinguishing Systems, 2002 edition; N.F.P.A., Standard 96, Ventilation Control and Fire Protection of Commercial Cooking Operations, 2008 edition; N.F.P.A., Standard 2001, Clean Agent Fire Extinguishing Systems, 2008 edition. The definitions contained in these pamphlets shall pertain to these regulations.

1.2 Validity

If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase, of these rules is, for any reason, held to be unconstitutional, contrary to statute, or exceeding the authority of the SFM, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion of these rules.

1.3 Systems Prohibited

No person shall market, distribute, sell, install or service any automatic fire suppression system in this state, unless it meets the following:

1.3.1 It complies with these rules.

1.3.2 It has been tested by, and bears the label of a testing laboratory which is accepted by the SFM as qualified to test automatic fire suppression systems.

1.3.3 All existing automatic fire suppression systems using dry chemical shall be removed and replaced with a UL300 listed system by January 1, 2006 or before that date when any of the following occurs:

1.3.3.1 Six year internal maintenance service;

1.3.3.2 Recharge;

1.3.3.3 Hydrostatic test date as indicated on the manufacturer date of the cylinders;

1.3.3.4 Reconfiguration of the system piping.

1.3.4 All existing wet chemical automatic fire suppression systems not UL300 listed shall be removed, replaced or upgraded to a UL300 listed system by January 1, 2006 or before that date when any of the following occurs:

1.3.4.1 Six year internal maintenance service;

1.3.4.2 Recharge;

1.3.4.3 Hydrostatic test date as indicated on the manufacturer date of the cylinders;

1.3.4.4 Reconfiguration of the system piping.

1.4 Copies of the above listed codes are on file in the Office of Administrative Rules and the Office of the State Fire Marshal.

R710-7-2. Definitions.

2.1 "Annual" means a period of one year or 365 days.

2.2 "Board" means Utah Fire Prevention Board.

2.3 "Branch Office" means any location, other than the primary business location, where business license, telephone, advertising and servicing equipment is utilized.

2.4 "Certificates of Registration" means a written document issued by the SFM to any person for the purpose of granting permission to such person to perform any act or acts for which authorization is required.

2.5 "Concern" means a person, firm, corporation, partnership, or association, licensed by the SFM.

2.6 "Employee" means those persons who work for a licensed concern which may include but are not limited to assigned agents and others who work on a contractual basis with a licensee using service tags of the licensed concern.

2.7 "Hydrostatic Test" means subjecting any cylinders requiring periodic pressure testing procedures specified in these rules.

2.8 "Inspection Authority" means the local fire authority, or the SFM, and their authorized representatives.

2.9 "License" means a written document issued by the SFM authorizing a concern to engage in the business of servicing automatic fire suppression systems.

2.10 "N.F.P.A." means National Fire Protection Association.

2.11 "Recognized Testing Laboratory" means a State Fire Marshal list of acceptable labs.

2.12 "Service" means a complete check of an automatic fire suppression system which includes the required service procedures set forth by a manufacturer of an approved system or the minimum service requirements as provided as set forth in adopted N.F.P.A. standards.

2.13 "System" means an Automatic Fire Suppression System.

2.14 "SFM" means Utah State Fire Marshal or authorized deputy.

2.15 "UCA" means Utah State Code Annotated, 1953 as amended.

R710-7-3. Licensing.

3.1 License Required

No person or concern shall engage in the business of selling, installing, servicing, repairing, testing or modifying any automatic fire suppression system without obtaining a license from the SFM, pursuant to these rules, expressly authorizing such concern to perform such acts.

3.2 Type of License

3.2.1 Every license shall be identified by type. The type of license shall be determined on the basis of the act or acts performed by the licensee or any of the employees. Every licensed concern shall be staffed by qualified personnel and shall be properly equipped to perform the act or acts for the type of license issued.

3.2.2 Licenses shall be any one, or combination of the following:

3.2.2.1 Class H1 - A licensed concern which is engaged in the installation, modification, service, or maintenance of engineered and/or pre-engineered automatic fire suppression systems.

3.2.2.2 Class H2 - A licensed concern which is engaged in service and maintenance only of automatic fire suppression systems to include hydrostatic testing.

3.3 Application

3.3.1 Application for a license to conduct business as an automatic fire suppression system concern, shall be made in writing to the SFM on forms provided by the SFM. A separate application for license shall be made for each separate place or business location of the applicant (branch office).

3.3.2 The application for a license to conduct business as an automatic fire suppression system concern, shall be accompanied with proof of public liability insurance. The public liability insurance shall be issued by a public liability insurance carrier showing coverage of at least $100,000 for each incident, and $300,000 in total coverage. The licensee shall notify the SFM within thirty days after the public liability insurance coverage required is no longer in effect for any reason.

3.4 Signature of Applicant

The application shall be signed by the applicant. If the application is made by a partnership, it shall be signed by all partners. If the application is made by a corporation or association other than a partnership, it shall be signed by a principal officer.

3.5 Equipment Inspection

The applicant or licensee shall allow the SFM and any of his authorized deputies to enter, examine, and inspect any premises, building, room or vehicle used by the applicant in the service of automatic fire suppression systems to determine compliance with the provisions of these rules. The inspection will be conducted during normal business hours, and the owner or manager shall be given a minimum of 24 hours notice before the appointed inspection. The equipment inspection may be conducted on an annual basis, and consent to inspect will be obtained. The applicant, license holder or certified employee of the license holder, may be asked during the inspection by the SFM or any of his deputies, to demonstrate skills or knowledge used in servicing of automatic fire suppression systems.

3.6 Issuance and Posting of License

Following receipt of the properly completed application, and compliance with the provisions of the statute and these rules, the SFM shall issue a license. Every license issued pursuant to the provisions of these rules shall be posted in a conspicuous place on the premises of the licensed concern.

3.7 Original License and Inspection

Original licenses shall be valid for one year from the date of application. Thereafter, each license shall be renewed annually and renewals shall be valid for one year from issuance. No original license will be issued until the satisfactory completion of a materials, equipment and performance inspection by the SFM.

3.8 Renewal License and Inspection

Application for renewal shall be made as directed by the SFM. The failure to renew the license will cause the license to become invalid. No renewal license will be issued until the satisfactory completion of a materials, equipment and performance inspection by the SFM. Beginning March 4, 2003 through February 29, 2004, renewal dates for licensed concerns will be based upon the inspection date and valid for a one-year period of time. Renewal license fees shall be prorated monthly, and monthly fees already paid in that time period shall be credited towards the renewal license fee.

3.9 Duplicate License

A duplicate license may be issued by the SFM to replace any previously issued license, which has been lost or destroyed, upon request.

3.10 Refusal to Renew

SFM may refuse to renew any license that is authorized, pursuant to Section 8 of these rules. The applicant will, upon such refusal, have the same rights as are granted by Section 8 of these rules to an applicant for an original license which has been denied by the SFM.

3.11 Change of Address

Every licensee shall notify the SFM, in writing, within thirty (30) days, of any change of address or location of business.

3.12 Under Another Name

No licensee shall conduct the licensed business under a name other than the name or names which appears on the license.

3.13 Hiring and Termination

Every licensed concern shall, within thirty (30) days of employment or termination of an employee or contracted agent shall notify the SFM of the name, address, and certification number of that person.

3.14 Minimum Age

No license shall be issued to any person as licensee who is under eighteen (18) years of age.

3.15 Employer Responsibility

Every concern is responsible for the acts of its employees or assigned agents relating to installation and servicing of automatic fire suppression systems.

3.16 Restrictive Use

No license shall constitute authorization for any licensee, or any of the employees or contracted agents, to enter upon, or into, any property, building, or machinery without the consent of the owner or manager. No license shall grant authorization to enforce the Uniform Fire Code or these rules.

3.17 Non-Transferable

No license issued pursuant to this section shall be transferred from one concern to another.

3.18 Registration Number

Every license shall be identified by a number, delineated as H-(number). Such number may only be transferred from one concern to another when approved by the SFM.

3.19 Minimum Materials and Equipment Required

At each business location or vehicle of the applicant where servicing work is performed the following minimum material and equipment requirements shall be maintained:

3.19.1 Calibrated scales with ability to:

3.19.1.1 Weigh gas cartridges to within 1/4 ounce of manufacturers specifications.

3.19.1.2 Weigh cylinders accurately for systems being serviced.

3.19.2 Nitrogen Pressure Filling Equipment

3.19.2.1 Nitrogen Supply

3.19.2.2 Pressure Regulator - 750 p.s.i. minimum

3.19.2.3 Filling Adapters

3.19.3 Dry Chemical Systems

3.19.3.1 Extinguishing agents, compatible with systems serviced

3.19.3.2 Fusible links

3.19.3.3 Safety pins

3.19.3.4 An assortment of gaskets and "O" Rings compatible with systems serviced

3.19.3.5 Gas cartridges as required according to manufacture's specifications

3.19.3.6 Current reference manuals, to include manufacture's service manuals

3.19.3.7 Cocking or Lockout Tool

3.19.4 Halon and CO2 Systems

3.19.4.1 Have access to, or meet the requirements for a U.L. approved filling station.

3.19.4.2 Have available in inventory, or have immediate access to, detectors compatible with systems serviced.

3.19.4.3 Calibration equipment such as electrical testers and detector testers.

3.19.4.4 Control panel components

3.19.4.5 Release valves

3.19.4.6 Current reference manuals

This list does not, however, include all items that may be necessary in order to conduct a complete system installation, modification or service.

3.20 Records

Accurate records shall be maintained for five years back by the licensee of all service work performed. These records shall be made available to the SFM, or authorized deputies, upon request. These records shall include the following:

3.20.1 The name and address of all serviced locations

3.20.2 Type of service performed

3.20.3 Date and name of person performing the work

R710-7-4. Certificates of Registration.

4.1 Required Certificates of Registration

No person shall service any automatic fire suppression system without a certificate of registration issued by the SFM

pursuant to these rules expressly authorizing such person to perform such acts.

4.2 Application

Application for a certificate of registration to work on automatic fire suppression systems shall be made in writing to the SFM on forms provided by the SFM. The application shall be signed by the applicant.

4.3 Examination

The SFM shall require all applicants for a certificate of registration to take and pass a written examination, which may be supplemented by practical tests to determine the applicant's knowledge to work on automatic fire suppression systems. Pictured identification of the applicant for a certificate of registration may be requested by the SFM or his deputies. Examinations will be given according to the following schedule and requirements:

4.3.1 On the first and third Tuesdays of each month. When holidays conflict with these days, the day immediately following will be used. An appointment will be made to take an examination at least 24 hours in advance of the examination date.

4.3.2 Examinations may be given at various field locations as deemed necessary by the SFM. Appointments for field examinations are required.

4.3.3 All certification examinations given are open book examinations. The applicant is allowed to use the statute, the administrative rule, and the NFPA standard that applies to the certification examination. Any other materials to include cellular telephones are prohibited in the examination room.

4.3.4 Completion of the certification examination will not be allowed if it appears to the test administrator that the applicant has not prepared to take the examination.

4.3.5 Each certification examination taken has a time limit of two hours to completion. Leaving the office or testing location before the completion of the examination voids the examination and will require the examination to be retaken by the applicant.

4.3.6 If there are different levels of proficiency in the subject matter, the lower proficiency level will be fully completed before the next higher proficiency will be administered.

4.4 Examination - Passing Grade

To successfully pass the written examination, the applicant must obtain a minimum grade of seventy percent (70%) in each portion of the examination taken.

4.5 Contents of Examination

The examination required shall include a written test of the applicant's knowledge of the work to be performed, the provisions of these rules, and may include an actual demonstration of his ability to perform the acts indicated on the application.

4.6 Right to Contest

Every person who takes an examination for a certificate of registration shall have the right to contest the validity of individual questions of such examination. Every contention as to the validity of individual questions of the examination shall be made in writing within 48 hours after taking said examination. The decision of the SFM shall be final.

4.7 Issuance

Following receipt of the completed application, compliance with the provisions of these rules, and the successful completion of the required examination, the SFM shall issue a certificate of registration.

4.8 Original and Renewal Valid Date

Original certificates of registration will be valid for one year from the date of application. Thereafter, each certificate of registration will be renewed annually and renewals will be valid for one year from issuance. The failure to renew a certificate of registration will cause the certificate of registration to become invalid. The holder of an invalid certificate of registration shall not perform any work on automatic fire suppression systems.

4.9 Renewal Date

Application for renewal will be made as directed by the SFM. Beginning March 4, 2003 through February 29, 2004, renewal dates for certification of registrations will be based upon the license inspection date and valid for a one-year period of time. Renewal certificate of registrations shall be prorated monthly, and monthly fees already paid in that time period shall be credited towards the renewal fee.

4.10 Re-examination

Every holder of a valid certificate of registration will take a re-examination every five (5) years, from the date of original certificate, to comply with the provisions of Section 4.3 of these rules as follows:

4.10.1. The re-examination to comply with the provisions of Section 4.3 of these rules shall consist of one 25 question open book examination to be mailed to the certificate holder at least 60 days before the renewal date.

4.10.2 The 25 question re-examination will consist of questions that focus on changes in the last five years to the NFPA standards, the statute, and adopted practices of concerns noted by the Board or SFM,.

4.10.3 The certificate holder is responsible to complete the re-examination and return it to the SFM in sufficient time to renew.

4.10.4 The certificate holder is responsible to return to the SFM the correct renewal fees to complete that certificate renewal.

4.11 Refusal to Renew

The SFM may refuse to renew any certificate of registration for the reasons that is authorized pursuant to Section 8 of these rules. The applicant will, upon such refusal, have the same rights as are granted by Section 8 of these rules to an applicant for an original certificate of registration which has been denied by the SFM.

4.12 Inspection

The holder of a certificate of registration will submit such certificate for inspection, upon request of the SFM, any authorized deputies, or any local fire official.

4.13 Change of Address

Any change of address of any holder of a certificate of registration will be reported by the registered person to the SFM within thirty (30) days of such change. Such change will also be made by the holder of the certificate of registration on the reverse side of the certificate of registration card.

4.14 Duplicate

A duplicate certificate of registration may be issued by the SFM to replace any previously issued certificate which has been lost or destroyed.

4.15 Minimum Age

No certificate of registration shall be issued to any person who is under eighteen (18) years of age.

4.16 Restrictive Use

4.16.1 No certificate of registration will constitute authorization for any person to enter upon or into any property or building.

4.16.2 No certificate of registration will constitute authorization for any person to enforce any provisions of these rules or the Uniform Fire Code.

4.16.3 Regardless of the acts authorized to be performed by the licensed concern, only those acts for which the applicant for a certificate of registration has qualified will be permissible by such applicant.

4.17 Non-Transferable

Certificates of registration will not be transferable. Individual certificates of registration will be carried by the person to whom issued.

4.18 Limited Issuance

No certificate of registration will be issued to any person unless that person is a licensee or an employee of a licensed concern.

4.19 New Employees

New employees of a licensed concern may perform the various acts while under the direct supervision of a person holding a valid certificate of registration for a period not to exceed forty-five (45) days from the initial date of employment.

4.20 Certificate Identification

Every certificate will be identified by a number, delineated as HE-(number).

R710-7-5. Service Tags and Labels.

5.1 Size and Color

Tags shall be not more than five and one-half inches (5-1/2") in height, nor less than four and one-half inches (4-1/2") in height, and not more than three inches (3") in width, nor less than two and one-half inches (2-1/2") in width. Tags may be any color except red.

5.2 Attaching Tag

One service tag will be attached to each automatic fire suppression system in such a position as to be conveniently inspected

5.3 Signature and Certificate Number

5.3.1 The signature and certificate of registration number of the person performing the work shall be signed legibly on the service tag.

5.3.2 All information pertaining to complete date, type of servicing, and type of system will be indicated on the tag by perforations in the appropriate space provided.

5.4 New Tag

A new service tag will be attached to a properly functioning system each time service is performed. A system not in compliance shall not receive a service tag, but shall receive a non-compliance tag as required in Section 5.8.

5.5 Tag Warning

The following wording shall be placed at the top or reinforced ring end of every tag: "DO NOT REMOVE, BY ORDER OF THE STATE FIRE MARSHAL".

5.6 Removal

No person shall deface, modify, alter or remove any active service label or tag attached to or required to be attached to any automatic fire suppression system.

5.7 Service Tag Information

All service tags shall be designed as required by the SFM.

5.8 Six Year Maintenance and Hydrostatic Test Labels

5.8.1 Six year maintenance and hydrostatic test labels will be affixed by a heatless process. The labels will be applied only when the system is recharged or undergoes six year maintenance servicing or hydrostatic testing.

5.8.2 Six year maintenance and hydrostatic test labels shall be durable to withstand the effects of weather and adverse conditions.

5.8.3 Six year maintenance and hydrostatic test labels will be designed as shown below:

EXAMPLE OF SIX YEAR AND HYDROSTATIC TEST LABEL

5.9 Non-Compliance Tags

5.9.1 Non-compliance tags will be affixed to any system failing to meet service specifications and will be placed in a conspicuous location on that system.

5.9.2 Non-compliance tags shall be red in color.

5.9.3 A system shall receive a non-compliance tag, when the system fails to fully comply with manufactures specifications or these rules.

5.9.4 After placing the non-compliance tag on the system, the service person shall notify the local fire chief or his authorized representative. The service person shall also furnish a copy of the service report to the authority having jurisdiction.

5.9.5 Non-compliance tags will be designed as required by the SFM.

R710-7-6. Requirements For All Approved Systems.

6.1 Service

6.1.1 Maintenance will be conducted on extinguishing systems at least every six months or immediately after use or activation.

6.1.2 When fusible links are a required portion of the system, fusible links will be replaced yearly or as required by the manufacturer of the system.

6.1.3 Fusible links will show the date when installed by year only.

6.1.4 Fusible links will not be used after February 1 of the next year showing a previous years date.

6.2 Interchanging of Parts

Interchanging of parts from different manufactured systems is prohibited. Parts shall be specifically listed and compatible for use with the designed system.

6.3 Return of parts

All replaced parts to the system serviced will be returned to the system owner or manager after completion of the service. Parts that are required to be returned to the manufacturer due to warranty are exempt.

6.4 Restricted Service

Any system requiring a hydrostatic test, will not be serviced until such system has been subjected to, and passed, the required test. A non-compliance tag will not be accepted to meet the requirements of this section.

6.5 Service

At the time of installation, and during any service, all servicing will be done in accordance with the manufacturers instructions, adopted statutes, and these rules. Systems will be placed and remain in an operable condition, free from defects which may cause malfunctions. Discharge nozzles and piping will be free of obstructions or substances.

R710-7-7. Adjudicative Proceedings.

7.1 All adjudicative proceedings performed by the agency shall proceed informally as authorized by UCA, Sections 63G-4-202 and 63G-4-203.

7.2 The issuance, renewal, or continued validity of a license or certificate of registration may be denied, suspended, or revoked, if the SFM finds that the applicant, person employed for, or the person having authority and management of a concern servicing automatic fire suppression systems commits any of the following violations:

7.2.1 The person or applicant is not the real person in interest.

7.2.2 The person or applicant provides material misrepresentation or false statement on the application.

7.2.3 The person or applicant refuses to allow inspection by the SFM, his duly authorized deputies.

7.2.4 The person or applicant for a license or certificate of registration does not have the proper facilities and equipment, to conduct the operations for which application is made.

7.2.5 The person or applicant for a certificate of registration does not possess the qualifications of skill or competence to conduct the operations for which application was made, as evidenced by failure to pass the examination and practical tests pursuant to Section 4.2 of these rules.

7.2.6 The person or applicant has been convicted of one or more federal, state or local laws.

7.2.7 The person or applicant has been convicted of a violation of the adopted rules or been found by a Board administrative proceeding to have violated the adopted rules.

7.2.8 Any offense or finding of unlawful conduct, or there is or may be, a threat to the public's health or safety if the applicant or person were granted a license or certificate of

registration.

7.2.9 There are other factors upon which a reasonable and prudent person would rely to determine the suitability of the applicant or person to safely and competently engage in the practice of servicing fire suppression systems.

7.3 A person whose license or certificate of registration is suspended or revoked by the SFM shall have an opportunity for a hearing before the Board if requested by that person within 20 days after receiving notice.

7.4 All adjudicative proceedings, other than criminal prosecution, taken by the SFM to enforce the Utah Fire Prevention and Safety Act, and these rules, shall commence in accordance with UCA, Section 63G-4-201.

7.5 The Board shall act as the hearing authority, and shall convene after timely notice to all parties involved. The Board shall be the final authority on the suspension or revocation of a license or certificate of registration.

7.6 The Board shall direct the SFM to issue a signed order to the parties involved giving the decision of the Board within a reasonable time of the hearing pursuant to UCA, Section 63G-4-203.

7.7 Reconsideration of the Board decision may be requested in writing within 20 days of the date of the decision pursuant to UCA, Section 63G-4-302.

7.8 After a period of three years from the date of revocation, the Board shall review the submitted written application of a person whose license or certificate of registration has been revoked. After timely notice to all parties involved, the Board shall convene to review the revoked persons application, and that person shall be allowed to present themselves and their case before the Board. After the hearing, the Board shall direct the SFM to allow the person to complete the licensing or certification process or shall direct that the revocation be continued.

7.9 Judicial review of all final Board actions resulting from informal adjudicative proceedings is available pursuant to UCA, Section 63G-4-402.

R710-7-8. Fees.

8.1 Fee Schedule

8.1.1 Licenses (New and Renewals)

8.1.1.1 Type H1 (Marketing and Installation) . . . $300.00

If the concern currently is licensed to service portable fire extinguishers the fee is $150.00.

8.1.1.2 Type H2 (Service Only) $150.00

If the concern currently is licensed to service portable fire extinguishers the fee is $75.00.

8.1.1.3 Branch Office License. $150.00

8.1.2 Certificates of Registration (New and Renewals)

8.1.2.1 Certificate of Registration. $40.00

If the individual currently is certified as a portable fire extinguisher technician the fee is $10.00

8.1.3 License Transfer $50.00

8.1.4 Examinations

8.1.4.1 Initial Examination. $30.00

8.1.4.2 Re-Examination $30.00

8.1.4.3 Five (5) Year Examination. $30.00

8.2 Payment of Fees

The required fee will accompany the application for license or certificate of registration. License or certificate of registration fees will be refunded if the application is denied.

8.3 Late Renewal Fees

8.3.1 Any license or certificate of registration not renewed before January 1 will be subject to an additional fee equal to 10% of the required inspection fee.

8.3.2 When a certificate of registration has expired for more than one year, an application will be made for an original certificate as if the application was being made for the first time. Examinations will be re-taken with initial fees.

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R710. Public Safety, Fire Marshal.
R710-8. Day Care Rules.
R710-8-1. Adoption of Codes.

Pursuant to Title 53, Chapter 7, Section 204, Utah Code Annotated 1953, the Utah Fire Prevention Board adopts minimum standards for the prevention of fire and for the protection of life and property against fire and panic in any day care facility or children's home. The requirements listed in this rule text are in addition to the requirements listed in R710-9, Rules Pursuant to the Fire Prevention Law.

There is further adopted as part of these rules the following codes which are incorporated by reference:

1.1 International Fire Code (IFC), 2006 edition, as published by the International Code Council, Inc. (ICC), except as amended by provisions listed in R710-8-3, et seq.

1.2 International Building Code (IBC), 2006 edition, as published by the International Code Council, Inc. (ICC), and as adopted under the authority of the Uniform Building Standards Act, Title 58, Chapter 56, Section 4, Utah Code Annotated 1953 and the Utah Administrative Code, R156-56-701.

1.3 Copies of the above codes are on file in the Office of Administrative Rules and the Office of the State Fire Marshal.

R710-8-2. Definitions.

2.1 "Authority Having Jurisdiction (AHJ)" means the State Fire Marshal, his duly authorized deputies, or the local fire enforcement authority.

2.2 "Board" means Utah Fire Prevention Board.

2.3 "Client" means a child or adult receiving care from other than a parent, guardian, relative by blood, marriage or adoption.

2.4 "Day Care Facility" means any building or structure occupied by clients of any age who receive custodial care for less than 24 hours by individuals other than parents, guardians, relatives by blood, marriage or adoption.

2.5 "Day Care Center" means providing care for five or more clients in a place other than the home of the person cared for. This would also include Child Care Centers or Hourly Child Care Centers licensed by the Department of Health.

2.6 "Family Day Care" means providing care for clients listed in the following two groups:

2.6.1 Type 1 - Services provided for five to eight clients in a home. This would also include a home that is certified by the Department of Health as Residential Certificate Child Care or licensed as Family Child Care.

2.6.2 Type 2 - Services provided for nine to sixteen clients in a home with sufficient staffing. This would also include a home that is licensed by the Department of Health as Family Child Care.

2.7 "IBC" means International Building Code.

2.8 "ICC" means International Code Council, Inc.

2.9 "IFC" means International Fire Code.

2.10 "SFM" means State Fire Marshal.

R710-8-3. Amendments and Additions.

3.1 Exemptions

3.1.1 Places of religious worship shall not be required to meet the provisions of this rule in order to operate a nursery or day care while religious services are being held in the building.

3.2 Fire Code Amendments

3.2.1 IFC, Chapter 2, Section 202, Educational E, Day Care is amended as follows: On line three delete the word "five" and replace it with the word "four".

3.2.2 IFC, Chapter 2, Section 202, Institutional Group I-4, day care facilities, Child care facility is amended as follows: On line three delete the word "five" and replace it with the word "four". Also on line two of the Exception delete the word "five" and replace it with the word "four".

3.2.3 IFC, Chapter 9, Sections 907.3.1.1 Group E is deleted.

3.3 Family Day Care

3.3.1 Family Day Care units shall have on each floor occupied by clients, two separate means of egress, arranged so that if one is blocked the other will be available.

3.3.2 Family Day Care units that are located in the basement or on the second story shall be provided with two means of egress, one of which shall discharge directly to the outside.

3.3.2.1 Type 1 Family Day Care units, located on the ground level or in a basement, may use an emergency escape or rescue window as allowed in IFC, Chapter 10, Section 1026.

3.3.3 Family Day Care units shall not be located above the second story.

3.3.4 In Family Day Care units, clients under the age of two shall not be located above or below the first story.

3.3.4.1 Clients under the age of two may be housed above or below the first story where there is at least one exit that leads directly to the outside and complies with IFC, Section 1009 or Section 1010 or Section 1023.

3.3.5 Family Day Care units located in split entry/split level type homes in which stairs to the lower level and upper level are equal or nearly equal, may have clients housed on both levels when approved by the AHJ.

3.3.6 Family Day Care units shall have a portable fire extinguisher on each level occupied by clients, which shall have a classification of not less than 2A:10BC, and shall be serviced in accordance with NFPA, Standard 10.

3.3.7 Family Day Care units shall have single station smoke detectors in good operating condition on each level occupied by clients. Battery operated smoke detectors shall be permitted if the facility demonstrates testing, maintenance, and battery replacement to insure continued operation of the smoke detectors.

3.3.8 Rooms in Family Day Care units that are provided for clients to sleep or nap, shall have at least one window or door approved for emergency escape.

3.3.9 Fire drills shall be conducted in Family Day Care units monthly and shall include the complete evacuation from the building of all clients and staff. At least quarterly, in Type I Family Day Care units, the fire drill shall include the actual evacuation using the escape or rescue window, if one is used as a substitute for one of the required means of egress.

3.4 Day Care Centers

3.4.1 Day Care Centers shall comply with either I-4 requirements or E requirements of the IBC, whichever is applicable for the type of Day Care Center.

3.4.2 Fire Drills shall be completed as required in IFC, Chapter 4, Section 405.

3.5 Requirements for all Day Care

3.5.1 Heating equipment in spaces occupied by children shall be provided with partitions, screens, or other means to protect children from hot surfaces and open flames.

3.5.2 A fire escape plan shall be completed and posted in a conspicuous place. All staff shall be trained on the fire escape plan and procedure.

3.5.3 The AHJ shall insure at each inspection there is sufficient adult staff to client ratios to allow safe and orderly evacuation in case of fire.

3.5.3.1 For Day Care involving children, the AHJ may use the care giver to children ratios established in rule by the Department of Health as an established guideline.

R710-8-4. Repeal of Conflicting Board Actions.

All former Board actions, or parts thereof, conflicting or inconsistent with the provisions of this Board action or of the codes hereby adopted, are hereby repealed.

R710-8-5. Validity.

The Board hereby declares that should any section, paragraph, sentence, or word of this Board action, or of the codes hereby adopted, be declared invalid, it is the intent of the Board that it would have passed all other portions of this action, independent of the elimination of any portion as may be declared invalid.

R710-8-6. Conflicts.

In the event where separate requirements pertain to the same situation in the same code, or between different codes as adopted, the more restrictive requirement shall govern, as determined by the AHJ.

R710-8-7. Adjudicative Proceedings.

7.1 All adjudicative proceedings performed by the agency shall proceed informally as set forth herein and as authorized by UCA, Sections 63G-4-202 and 63G-4-203.

7.2 A person may request a hearing on a decision made by the AHJ by filing an appeal to the Board within 20 days after receiving the final decision from the AHJ.

7.3 All adjudicative proceedings, other than criminal prosecution, taken by the AHJ to enforce the Utah Fire Prevention and Safety Act, and these rules, shall commence in accordance with UCA, Section 63G-4-201.

7.4 The Board shall act as the hearing authority, and shall convene as an appeals board after timely notice to all parties involved.

7.5 The Board shall direct the SFM to issue a signed order to the parties involved giving the decision of the Board within a reasonable time of the hearing pursuant to UCA, Section 63G-4-203.

7.6 Reconsideration of the Board's decision may be requested in writing within 20 days of the date of the decision pursuant to UCA, Section 63G-4-302.

7.7 Judicial review of all final Board actions resulting from informal adjudicative proceedings is available pursuant to UCA, Section 63G-4-402.

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R710. Public Safety, Fire Marshal.
R710-9. Rules Pursuant to the Utah Fire Prevention Law.
R710-9-1. Title, Authority, and Adoption of Codes.

1.1 These rules shall be known as the "Rules Pursuant to the Utah Fire Prevention Law", and may be cited as such, and will be hereafter referred to as "these rules".

1.2 These rules are promulgated in accordance with Title 53, Chapter 7, Section 204, Utah Code Annotated 1953, as amended.

1.3 These rules are adopted by the Utah Fire Prevention Board to provide minimum rules for safeguarding life and property from the hazards of fire and explosion, for board meeting conduct, procedures to amend incorporated references, establishing amendments and additions to the adopted codes, establishing board subcommittees, enforcement of the rules of the State Fire Marshal, and deputizing Special Deputy State Fire Marshals.

1.4 There is adopted as part of these rules the following code which is incorporated by reference:

1.4.1 International Fire Code (IFC), 2006 edition, excluding appendices, as promulgated by the International Code Council, Inc., except as amended by provisions listed in R710-9-6, et seq.

1.5 There is further adopted as part of these rules the following codes which are also incorporated by reference and supercede the adopted standards listed in the International Fire Code, 2006 edition, Chapter 45, Referenced Standards, as follows:

1.5.1 National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), NFPA 10, Standard for Portable Fire Extinguishers, 2007 edition, except as amended by provisions listed in R710-9-6, et seq.

1.5.2 National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), NFPA 13, Standard for Installation of Sprinkler Systems, 2007 edition, except as amended by provisions listed in R710-9-6, et seq.

1.5.3 National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), NFPA 13D, Standard for the Installation of Sprinkler Systems in One and Two Family Dwellings and Manufactured Homes, 2007 edition, except as amended by provisions listed in R710-9-6, et seq.

1.5.4 National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), NFPA 13R, Standard for the Installation of Sprinkler Systems in Residential Occupancies up to and including Four Stories in Height, 2007 edition, except as amended by provisions listed in R710-9-6, et seq.

1.5.5 National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), NFPA 70, National Electric Code, 2005 edition, as adopted by the Uniform Building Standards Act, Title 58. Chapter 56, Section 4, Utah Code Annotated 1953 and the Utah Administrative Code R156-56-701. Wherever there is a section, figure or table in the International Fire Code (IFC) that references "ICC Electrical Code", that reference shall be replaced with "National Electric Code".

1.5.6 National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), NFPA 72, National Fire Alarm Code, 2007 edition, except as amended in provisions listed in R710-9-6, et seq.

1.5.7 National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), NFPA 101, Life Safety Code, 2006 edition, except as amended in provisions listed in R710-9-6, et seq. Wherever there is a section, figure or table in NFPA 101 that references "NFPA 5000 - Building Construction and Safety Code", that reference shall be replaced with the "International Building Code".

1.5.8 National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), NFPA 160, Standard for Flame Effects Before an Audience, 2006 edition, except as amended by provisions listed in R710-9-6, et seq.

1.6 National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), NFPA 96, Standard for Ventilation Control and Fire Protection of Commercial Cooking Operations, 2004 edition, except as amended by provisions listed in R710-9-6, et seq.

R710-9-2. Definitions.

2.1 "Appreciable Depth" means a depth greater than 1/4 inch.

2.2 "Authority Having Jurisdiction (AHJ)" means the State Fire Marshal, his authorized deputies, or the local fire enforcement authority.

2.3 "Board" means Utah Fire Prevention Board.

2.4 "Division" means State Fire Marshal.

2.5 "ICC" means International Code Council, Inc.

2.6 "IFC" means International Fire Code.

2.7 "Institutional occupancy" means asylums, mental hospitals, hospitals, sanitariums, homes for the aged, residential health care facilities, children's homes or institutions, or any similar institutional occupancy.

2.8 "LFA" means Local Fire Authority.

2.9 "NFPA" means National Fire Protection Association.

2.10 "Place of assembly" means where 50 or more people gather together in a building, structure, tent, or room for the purpose of amusement, entertainment, instruction, or education.

2.11 "SFM" means State Fire Marshal or authorized deputy.

2.12 "Sub-Committee" means Fire Prevention Board Budget Sub-Committee or Amendment Sub-Committee.

2.13 "UCA" means Utah Code Annotated, 1953.

R710-9-3. Conduct of Board Members and Board Meetings.

3.1 Board meetings shall be presided over and conducted by the chairman and in his absence the vice chairman or the chairman's designee.

3.2 A quorum shall be required to approve any action of the Board.

3.3 The chairman of the Board and Board members shall be entitled to vote on all issues considered by the Board. A Board member who declares a conflict of interest or where a conflict of interest has been determined, shall not vote on that particular issue.

3.4 Meetings of the Board shall be conducted in accordance with an agenda, which shall be submitted to the members by the division, not less that 21 days before the regularly scheduled Board meetings.

3.5 Public notice of Board meetings shall be made by the Division as prescribed in UCA Section 52-4-6.

3.6 The division shall provide the Board with a secretary who shall prepare minutes and shall perform all secretarial duties necessary for the Board to fulfill its responsibility. The minutes of Board meetings shall be completed and sent to Board members at least 14 days prior to the scheduled Board meeting.

3.7 A Board members standing on the Board shall come under review after two unexcused absences in one year from regularly scheduled board meetings. The Board members name shall be submitted to the governors office for status review.

R710-9-4. Deputizing Persons to Act as Special Deputy State Fire Marshals.

4.1 Special deputy state fire marshals may be appointed by the SFM to positions of expertise within the regular scope of the Fire Marshal's Office.

4.2 Pursuant to Section 53-7-101 et seq., special deputy state fire marshals may also be appointed to assist the Fire Marshal's Office in establishing and maintaining minimum fire prevention standards in those occupancy classifications listed in the International Fire Code.

4.3 Special deputy state fire marshals shall be appointed after review by the State Fire Marshal in regard to their qualifications and the overall benefit to the Office of the State Fire Marshal.

4.4 Special deputy state fire marshals shall be appointed by completing an oath and shall be appointed for a specific period of time.

4.5 Special deputy state fire marshals shall have a picture identification card and shall carry that card when performing their assigned duties.

R710-9-5. Procedures to Amend the International Fire Code.

5.1 All requests for amendments to the IFC shall be submitted to the division on forms created by the division, for presentation to the Board at the next regularly scheduled Board meeting.

5.2 Requests for amendments received by the division less than 21 days prior to any regularly scheduled meeting of the Board may be delayed in presentation until the next regularly scheduled Board meeting.

5.3 Upon presentation of a proposed amendment, the Board shall do one of the following:

5.3.1 accept the proposed amendment as submitted or as modified by the Board;

5.3.2 reject the proposed amendment;

5.3.3 submit the proposed amendment to the Board Amendment Subcommittee for further study; or

5.3.4 return the proposed amendment to the requesting agency, accompanied by Board comments, allowing the requesting agency to resubmit the proposed amendment with modifications.

5.4 The Board Amendment Subcommittee shall report its recommendation to the Board at the next regularly scheduled Board meeting.

5.5 The Board shall make a final decision on the proposed amendment at the next Board meeting following the original submission.

5.6 The Board may reconsider any request for amendment, reverse or modify any previous action by majority vote.

5.7 When approved by the Board, the requesting agency shall provide to the division within 45 days, the completed ordinance.

5.8 The division shall maintain a list of amendments to the IFC that have been granted by the Board.

5.9 The division shall make available to any person or agency copies of the approved amendments upon request, and may charge a reasonable fee for multiple copies in accordance with the provisions of UCA, 63-2-203.

R710-9-6. Amendments and Additions.

The following amendments and additions are hereby adopted by the Board for application statewide:

6.1 International Fire Code - Administration

6.1.1 IFC, Chapter 1, Section 105.6.16 is amended to add the following section: 11. The owner of an underground tank that is out of service for longer than one year, shall receive a Temporary Closure Notice from the Department of Environmental Quality and a copy shall be given to the AHJ.

6.1.2 IFC, Chapter 1, Section 109.2 is amended as follows: On line three after the words "is in violation of this code," add the following "or other pertinent laws or ordinances".

6.2 International Fire Code - Definitions

6.2.1 IFC, Chapter 2, Section 202, Educational Group E, Day care is amended as follows: On line three delete the word "five" and replace it with the word "four".

6.2.2 IFC, Chapter 2, Section 202, Institutional Group I, Group I-1 is amended to add the following: On line ten add "Type 1" in front of the words "Assisted living facilities".

6.2.3 IFC, Chapter 2 Section 202, Institutional Group I, Group I-2 is amended as follows: On line four delete the word "five" and replace it with the word "three". On line eleven after the words "Detoxification facilities" delete the rest of the section, and add the following: "Ambulatory surgical centers with two or more operating rooms where care is less than 24 hours, outpatient medical care facilities for ambulatory patients (accommodating more than five such patients in each tenant space) which may render the patient incapable of unassisted self-preservation, and Type 2 assisted living facilities. Type 2 assisted living facilities with five or fewer persons shall be classified as a Group R-4. Type 2 assisted living facilities with at least six and not more than 16 residents shall be classified as a Group I-1 facility.

6.2.4 IFC, Chapter 2, Section 202, Institutional Group I, Group I-4, day care facilities, Child care facility is amended as follows: On line three delete the word "five" and replace it with the word "four". Also on line two of the Exception delete the word "five" and replace it with the word "four".

6.2.5 IFC, Chapter 2, Section 202 General Definitions, Occupancy Classification, Residential Group R-1 is amended to add the following: Exception: Boarding houses accommodating 10 persons or less shall be classified as Residential Group R-3.

6.2.6 IFC, Chapter 2, Section 202 General Definitions, Occupancy Classification, Residential Group R-2 is amended to add the following: Exception: Boarding houses accommodating 10 persons or less shall be classified as Residential Group R-3.

6.3 International Fire Code - General Precautions Against Fire

6.3.1 IFC, Chapter 3, Section 304.1.2 is amended as follows: Delete the current line six and add the following in it's place: "the Utah Administrative Code, R652-122-200, Minimum Standards for Wildland Fire Ordinance."

6.3.2 IFC, Chapter 3, Section 311.1.1 is amended as follows: On line ten delete the words "International Property Maintenance Code and the" from this section.

6.3.3 IFC, Chapter 3, Section 311.5 is amended as follows: On line two delete the word "shall" and replace it with the word "may".

6.3.4 IFC, Chapter 3, Section 315.2.1 is amended to add the following: Exception: Where storage is not directly below the sprinkler heads, storage is allowed to be placed to the ceiling on wall mounted shelves that are protected by fire sprinkler heads in occupancies meeting classification as light or ordinary hazard.

6.4 International Fire Code - Emergency Planning and Preparedness

6.4.1 IFC, Chapter 4, Section 404.2(7) is amended as follows: After the word "buildings" add "to include sororities and fraternity houses".

6.5 International Fire Code - Building Services and Systems

6.5.1 IFC, Chapter 6, Section 607.3 is deleted and rewritten as follows: Firefighter service keys shall be kept in a "Supra - Stor-a-key" elevator key box or similar box with corresponding key system that is adjacent to the elevator for immediate use by the fire department. The key box shall contain one key for each elevator, one key for lobby control, and any other keys necessary for emergency service.

6.5.2 IFC, Chapter 6, Section 609.1 is amended to add the following: On line three after the word "Code" add the words "and NFPA 96".

6.6 International Fire Code - Fire Protection Systems

6.6.1 IFC, Chapter 9, Section 901.2 is amended to add the following: The code official has the authority to request record drawings ("as builts") to verify any modifications to the previously approved construction documents.

6.6.2 IFC, Chapter 9, Section 902.1 Definitions, RECORD DRAWINGS is deleted and rewritten as follows: Drawings ("as builts") that document all aspects of a fire protection system as installed.

6.6.3 IFC, Chapter 9, Section 901.6 is amended to add the following:

The owner or administrator of each building shall insure

the inspection and testing of water based fire protection systems as required in Rule R710-5, Automatic Fire Sprinkler System Inspecting and Testing.

6.6.4 IFC, Chapter 9, Section 903.2.1.2 is amended to add the following subsection: 4. An automatic fire sprinkler system shall be provided throughout Group A-2 occupancies where indoor pyrotechnics are used.

6.6.5 IFC, Chapter 9, Section 903.2.3(2) is deleted and rewritten as follows: Where a Group F-1 fire area is located more than three stories above the lowest level of fire department vehicle access; or

6.6.6 IFC, Chapter 9, Section 903.2.6(2) is deleted and rewritten as follows: Where a Group M fire area is located more than three stories above the lowest level of fire department vehicle access; or

6.6.7 IFC, Chapter 9, Section 903.2.7 Group R, is amended to add the following: Exception: Detached one- and two-family dwellings and multiple single-family dwellings (townhouses) constructed in accordance with the International Residential Code for one- and two-family dwellings.

6.6.8 IFC, Chapter 9, Section 903.2.7 is amended to add the following: Exception: Group R-4 fire areas not more than 4500 gross square feet and not containing more than 16 residents, provided the building is equipped throughout with an approved fire alarm system that is interconnected and receives its primary power from the building wiring and a commercial power system.

6.6.9 IFC, Chapter 9, Section 903.2.8(2) is deleted and rewritten as follows: A Group S-1 fire area is located more than three stories above the lowest level of fire department vehicle access; or

6.6.10 IFC, Chapter 9, Section 903.2.9 is deleted and rewritten as follows: Group S-2. An automatic sprinkler system shall be provided throughout buildings classified as parking garages in accordance with Section 406.2 or where located beneath other groups.

6.6.10.1 Exception 1: Parking garages of less than 5,000 square feet (464m2) accessory to Group R-3 occupancies.

6.6.10.2 Exception 2: Open parking garages not located beneath other groups if one of the following conditions are met:

6.6.10.2.1 a. Access is provided for fire fighting operations to within 150 feet (45 720mm) of all portions of the parking garage as measured from the approved fire department vehicle access, or

6.6.10.2.2 b. Class I standpipes are installed throughout the parking garage.

6.6.11 IFC, Chapter 9, Section 903.2.9.1 is deleted and rewritten as follows: Commercial parking garages. An automatic sprinkler system shall be provided throughout buildings used for storage of commercial trucks or buses.

6.6.12 IFC, Chapter 9, Section 903.3.5 is amended by adding the following at the end of the section: The potable water supply to automatic fire sprinkler systems and standpipe systems shall be protected against backflow in accordance with the International Plumbing Code as amended in the Utah Administrative Code, R156-56-707, Utah Uniform Building Standard Act Rules.

6.6.13 IFC, Chapter 9, Section 903.6 is amended to add the following subsection: 903.6.2 Group A-2 occupancies. An automatic fire sprinkler system shall be provided throughout existing Group A-2 occupancies where indoor pyrotechnics are used.

6.6.14 IFC, Chapter 9, Section 904.11 is deleted and rewritten as follows: Commercial Cooking Systems. The automatic fire extinguishing system for commercial cooking systems shall be of a type recognized for protection of commercial cooking equipment and exhaust systems. Pre-engineered automatic extinguishing systems shall be tested in accordance with UL300 and listed and labeled for the intended application. The system shall be installed in accordance with this code, its listing and the manufacturer's installation instructions. The Exception in Section 904.11 is not deleted and shall remain as currently written in the IFC.

6.6.15 IFC, Chapter 9, Sections 904.11.3 and 904.11.3.1 is deleted and rewritten as follows:

6.6.15.1 Existing automatic fire extinguishing systems used for commercial cooking that use dry chemical is prohibited and shall be removed from service.

6.6.15.2 Existing wet chemical fire extinguishing systems used for commercial cooking that are not UL300 listed and labeled are prohibited and shall be either removed or upgraded to a UL300 listed and labeled system.

6.6.16 IFC, Chapter 9, Section 904.11.4 is amended to add the following subsection: 904.11.4.2. Existing automatic fire sprinkler systems protecting commercial cooking equipment, hood, and exhaust systems that generate appreciable depth of cooking oils shall be replaced with a UL300 system that is listed and labeled for the intended application.

6.6.17 IFC, Chapter 9 Section 904.11.6.4 is amended to add the following: Automatic fire extinguishing systems located in occupancies where usage is limited and less than six consecutive months, may be serviced annually if the annual service is conducted immediately before the period of usage, and approval is received from the AHJ.

6.6.18 IFC, Chapter 9, Section 905.11 is deleted.

6.6.19 IFC, Chapter 9, Section 907.2.10.1.4 is created as follows: Carbon monoxide alarms. Carbon monoxide alarms shall be installed on each habitable level of a dwelling unit or sleeping unit in Groups R-2, R-3, R-4, and I-1 equipped with fuel burning appliances.

6.6.20 IFC, Chapter 9, Section 907.2.10.2 is amended as follows: On line two, line five, and line one of the Exception, the word "smoke" is deleted.

6.6.21 IFC, Chapter 9, Section 907.2.10.3 is amended as follows: On line two and line five, the word "smoke" is deleted. On line nine after the word "closed", add the following sentence: "Approved combination smoke and carbon monoxide detectors shall be permitted."

6.6.22 IFC Chapter 9, Section 907.2.10.4 is amended as follows: On line five after "NFPA 72" add "and NFPA 720, as applicable".

6.6.23 IFC, Chapter 9, Section 907.3 is deleted and rewritten as follows: An approved automatic fire detection system shall be installed in accordance with the provisions of this code and NFPA 72. Devices, combinations of devices, appliances and equipment shall be approved. The automatic fire detectors shall be smoke detectors, except an approved alternative type of detector shall be installed in spaces such as boiler rooms where, during normal operation, products of combustion are present in sufficient quantity to actuate a smoke detector.

6.6.24 IFC, Chapter 9, Sections 907.3.1, 907.3.1.1, 907.3.1.2, 907.3.1.3, 907.3.1.4, 907.3.1.5, 907.3.1.6, 907.3.1.7, and 907.3.1.8 are deleted.

6.6.25 IFC, Chapter 9, Section 907.3.2 is amended to add the following: On line three after the word "occupancies" add "and detached one- and two-family dwellings and multiple single-family dwellings (townhouses)".

6.6.26 IFC, Chapter 9, Section 907.3.2.3 is amended to add the following: On line one after the word "occupancies" add "and detached one- and two-family dwellings and multiple single-family dwellings (townhouses)".

6.6.27 IFC, Chapter 9, Section 907.20.5 is amended to add the following sentences: Increases in nuisance alarms shall require the fire alarm system to be tested for sensitivity. Fire alarm systems that continue after sensitivity testing with unwarranted nuisance alarms shall be replaced as directed by the AHJ.

6.7 International Fire Code - Means of Egress

6.7.1 IFC, Chapter 10, Section 1008.1.8.3 is amended to add the following:

6.7.1.1 5. Doors in Group I-1 and I-2 occupancies, where the clinical needs of the patients require specialized security measures for their safety, approved access controlled egress may be installed when all the following are met:

6.7.1.1.1 5.1 The controlled egress doors shall unlock upon activation of the automatic fire sprinkler system or the automatic fire detection system.

6.7.1.1.2 5.2 The facility staff can unlock the controlled egress doors by either sensor or keypad.

6.7.1.1.3 5.3 The controlled egress doors shall unlock upon loss of power.

6.7.1.1.4 5.4 The secure area or unit with controlled egress doors shall be located at the level of exit discharge in Type V construction.

6.7.1.2 6. Doors in Group I-1 and I-2 occupancies, where the clinical needs of the patients require approved, listed delayed egress locks, they shall be installed on doors as allowed in IFC, Section 1008.1.8.6. The secure area or unit with delayed egress locks shall be located at the level of exit discharge in Type V construction.

6.7.2 IFC, Chapter 10, Section 1009.3 is amended as follows: On line five of Exception 4 delete "7.75" and replace it with "8". On line seven of Exception 4 delete "10" and replace it with "9".

6.7.3 IFC, Chapter 10, Section 1009.10, is amended to add the following exception: 6. In occupancies in Group R-3, as applicable in Section 101.2 and in occupancies in Group U, which are accessory to an occupancy in Group R-3, as applicable in Section 101.2, handrails shall be provided on at least one side of stairways consisting of four or more risers.

6.7.4 IFC, Chapter 10, Section 1012.3 is amended to add the following: Exception: Non-circular handrails serving an individual unit in a Group R-1, Group R-2 or Group R-3 occupancy with a perimeter greater than 6 1/4 inches (160mm)shall provide a graspable finger recess area on both sides of the profile. The finger recess shall begin within a distance of 3/4 inch (19mm) measured vertically from the tallest portion of the profile and achieve a depth of at least 5/16 inch (8mm) within 7/8 inch (22mm) below the widest portion of the profile. This required depth shall continue for at least 3/8 inch (10mm) to a level that is not less than 1 3/4 inches (45mm) below the tallest portion of the profile. The minimum width of the handrail above the recess shall be 1 1/4 inches (32mm) to a maximum of 2 3/4 inches (70mm). Edges shall have a minimum radius of 0.01 inch (0.25mm).

6.7.5 IFC, Chapter 10, Section 1013.2 is amended to add the following exception: 3. For occupancies in Group R-3 and within individual dwelling units in occupancies in Group R-2, as applicable in Section 101.2, guards shall form a protective barrier not less than 36 inches (914mm).

6.7.6 IFC, Chapter 10, Section 1015.2.2 is amended to add the following sentence at the end of the section: Additional exits or exit access doorways shall be arranged a reasonable distance apart so that if one becomes blocked, the others will be available.

6.7.7 IFC, Chapter 10, Section 1028.2 is amended to add the following: On line six after the word "fire" add the words "and building".

6.8 International Fire Code - Explosives and Fireworks

6.8.1 IFC, Chapter 33, Section 3301.1.3, Exception 4 is amended to add the following sentence: The use of fireworks for display and retail sales is allowed as set forth in UCA 53-7-220 and UCA 11-3-1.

6.8.2 IFC, Chapter 33, Section 3308.12 is a new section as follows: Display of Class C common state approved explosives inside of buildings protected throughout with an automatic fire sprinkler system shall not exceed 25 percent of the area of the retail sales floor or exceed 600 square feet, whichever is less.

6.8.3 IFC, Chapter 33, Section 3308.13 is a new section as follows: Display of Class C common state approved explosives inside of buildings not protected with an automatic fire sprinkler system shall not exceed 125 pounds of pyrotechnic composition. Where the actual weight of the pyrotechnic composition is not known, 25 percent of the gross weight of the consumer fireworks, including packaging, shall be permitted to be used to determine the weight of the pyrotechnic composition.

6.8.4 IFC, Chapter 33,Section 3308.14 is a new section as follows: Display of Class C common state approved explosives inside of buildings shall not exceed a height greater than six feet above the floor surface.

6.8.5 IFC, Chapter 33, Section 3308.15 is a new section as follows: Rack storage of Class C common state approved explosives inside of buildings is prohibited.

6.9 International Fire Code - Flammable and Combustible Liquids

6.9.1 IFC, Chapter 34, Section 3401.4 is amended to add the following at the end of the section: The owner of an underground tank that is out of service for longer than one year, shall receive a Temporary Closure Notice from the Department of Environmental Quality and a copy shall be given to the AHJ.

6.9.2 IFC, Chapter 34, Section 3405.5.1 is deleted and rewritten as follows: Corridor installations. Where wall-mounted dispensers containing alcohol-based hand rubs are installed in corridors, they shall be in accordance with all of the following: 1. Level 2 and Level 3 aerosol containers shall not be allowed in corridors. 2. The maximum capacity of each Class I or II liquids dispenser shall be 41 ounces and the maximum capacity of each Level I aerosol dispenser shall be 18 ounces. 3. The maximum quantity allowed in a corridor within a control group area shall be 10 gallons of Class I or II liquids or 1135 ounces of Level I aerosols or a combination of Class I or II liquids and Level I aerosols not to exceed in total the equivalent of 10 gallons. 4. Projections into a corridor shall be in accordance with Section 1003.3.3.

6.9.3 IFC, Chapter 34, Section 3406.1 is amended to add the following special operation: 8. Sites approved by the AHJ.

6.9.4 IFC, Chapter 34, Section 3406.2 is amended to add the following: On line five after the words "borrow pits" add the words "and sites approved by the AHJ".

6.10 International Fire Code - Liquefied Petroleum Gas

6.10.1 IFC, Chapter 38, Section 3809.12, is amended as follows: In Table 3809.12, Doorway or opening to a building with two or more means of egress, with regard to quantities 720 or less and 721 - 2,500, the currently stated "5" is deleted and replaced with "10".

6.10.2 IFC, Chapter 38, Section 3809.14 is amended as follows: Delete 20 from line three and replace it with 10.

6.11 National Fire Protection Association

6.11.1 NFPA 72, Chapter 2, Section 2.2 is amended to add the following NFPA standard: NFPA 20, Standard for the Installation of Stationary Pumps for Fire Protection, 2007 edition.

6.11.2 NFPA 72, Chapter 4, Section 4.3.2.2(2) is deleted and rewritten as follows: National Institute of Certification in Engineering Technologies (NICET) fire alarm level II certified personnel.

6.11.3 NFPA 72, Chapter 4, Section 4.3.3(2) is deleted and rewritten as follows: National Institute of Certification in Engineering Technologies (NICET) fire alarm level II certified personnel.

6.11.4 NFPA 72, Chapter 4, Section 4.4.3.7.2 is amended to add the following sentence: When approved by the AHJ, the audible notification appliances may be deactivated during the investigation mode to prevent unauthorized reentry into the building.

6.11.5 NFPA 72, Chapter 4, Section 4.4.5 is deleted and rewritten as follows: Automatic smoke detection shall be provided at the location of each fire alarm control unit(s), notification appliance circuit power extenders, and supervising station transmitting equipment to provide notification of fire at the location.

6.11.5.1 NFPA 72, Chapter 4, Section 4.4.5, Exception No. 1: When ambient conditions prohibit installation of automatic smoke detection, automatic heat detection shall be permitted.

6.11.6 NFPA 72, Chapter 6, Section 6.8.5.9 is amended to add the following section: 6.8.5.9.3 Automatic fire pumps shall be supervised in accordance with NFPA 20, Standard for the Installation of Stationary Pumps for Fire Protection, and the AHJ.

6.11.7 NFPA 72, Chapter 7, Section 7.4.1.2 is amended as follows: On line three delete "110dBA" and replace it with "120dBA".

6.11.8 NFPA 72, Chapter 8, Section 8.3.4.7 is amended as follows: On line two, after the word "notified" insert the words "without delay".

6.11.9 NFPA 72, Chapter 10, Section 10.2.2.5.1 is deleted and rewritten as follows: Service personnel shall be qualified and experienced in the inspection, testing and maintenance of fire alarm systems. Qualified personnel shall meet the certification requirements stated in Utah Administrative Code, R710-11-3, Fire Alarm System Inspecting and Testing.

R710-9-7. Fire Advisory and Code Analysis Committee.

7.1 There is created by the Board a Fire Advisory and Code Analysis Committee whose duties are to provide direction to the Board in the matters of fire prevention and building codes.

7.2 The committee shall serve in an advisory position to the Board, members shall be appointed by the Board, shall serve for a term of three years, and shall consist of the following members:

7.2.1 A representative from the State Fire Marshal's Office.

7.2.2 The Code Committee Chairman of the Fire Marshal's Association of Utah.

7.2.3 A fire marshal or fire inspector from a local fire department or fire district.

7.2.4 A representative from the Department of Health.

7.2.5 The Chief Elevator Inspector from the Utah Labor Commission.

7.2.6 A representative from the Department of Human Services.

7.2.7 A representative from Forestry, Fire and State Lands.

7.3 This committee shall join together with the Uniform Building Code Commission Fire Protection Advisory Committee to form the Unified Code Analysis Council.

7.4 The Council shall meet as directed by the Board or as directed by the Building Codes Commission or as needed to review fire prevention and building code issues that require definitive and specific analysis.

7.5 The Council shall select one of it's members to act in the position of chair and another to act as vice chair. The chair and vice chair shall serve for one year terms on a calendar year basis. Elections for chair and vice chair shall occur at the meeting conducted in the last quarter of the calendar year.

7.6 The chair or vice chair of the council shall report to the Board or Building Codes Commission recommendations of the Council with regard to the review of fire and building codes.

R710-9-8. Enforcement of the Rules of the State Fire Marshal.

8.1 Fire and life safety plan reviews of new construction, additions, and remodels of state owned facilities shall be conducted by the SFM, or his authorized deputies. State owned facilities shall be inspected by the SFM, or his authorized deputies.

8.2 Fire and life safety plan reviews of new construction, additions, and remodels of public and private schools shall be completed by the SFM, or his authorized deputies, and the LFA.

8.3 Fire and life safety plan reviews of new construction, additions, and remodels of publicly owned buildings, privately owned colleges and universities, and institutional occupancies, with the exception of state owned buildings, shall be completed by the LFA. If not completed by the LFA, the SFM, or his authorized deputies shall complete the plan review.

8.4 The following listed occupancies shall be inspected by the LFA. If not completed by the LFA, the SFM, or his authorized deputies shall inspect.

8.4.1 Publicly owned buildings other than state owned buildings as referenced in 9.1 of this rule.

8.4.2 Public and private schools.

8.4.3 Privately owned colleges and universities.

8.4.4 Institutional occupancies as defined in Section 9-2 of this rule.

8.4.5 Places of assembly as defined in Section 9-2 of this rule.

8.5 The Board shall require prior to approval of a grant the following:

8.5.1 That the applying fire agency be actively participating in the statewide fire statistics reporting program.

8.5.2 The Board shall also require that the applying fire agency be actively working towards structural or wildland firefighter certification through the Utah Fire Service Certification System.

R710-9-9. Fire Prevention Board Budget and Amendment Sub-Committees.

9.1 There is created two Fire Prevention Board Sub-Committees known as the Budget Subcommittee and the Amendment Subcommittee. The subcommittees membership shall be appointed from members of the Board.

9.2 Membership on the Sub-Committee shall be by appointment of the Board Chair or as volunteered by Board members. Membership on the Sub-Committee shall be limited to four Board members.

9.3 The Sub-Committee shall meet as necessary and shall vote and appoint a chair to represent the Sub-Committee at regularly scheduled Board meetings.

R710-9-10. Repeal of Conflicting Board Actions.

All former Board actions, or parts thereof, conflicting or inconsistent with the provisions of this Board action or of the codes hereby adopted, are hereby repealed.

R710-9-11. Validity.

The Utah Fire Prevention Board hereby declares that should any section, paragraph, sentence, or word of this Board action, or of the codes hereby adopted, be declared invalid, it is the intent of the Utah Fire Prevention Board that it would have passed all other portions of this action, independent of the elimination of any portion as may be declared invalid.

R710-9-12. Adjudicative Proceedings.

12.1 All adjudicative proceedings performed by the agency shall proceed informally as set forth herein and as authorized by UCA, Sections 63G-4-202 and 63G-4-203.

12.2 If a city, county, or fire protection district refuses to establish a method of appeal regarding a portion of the IFC, the appealing party may petition the Board to act as the board of appeals.

12.3 A person may request a hearing on a decision made by the SFM, his authorized deputies, or the LFA, by filing an appeal to the Board within 20 days after receiving final

decision.

12.4 All adjudicative proceedings, other than criminal prosecution, taken by the SFM, his authorized deputies, or the LFA, to enforce the Utah Fire Prevention and Safety Act and these rules, shall commence in accordance with UCA, Section 63G-4-201.

12.5 The Board shall act as the hearing authority, and shall convene as an appeals board after timely notice to all parties involved.

12.6 The Board shall direct the SFM to issue a signed order to the parties involved giving the decision of the Board within a reasonable time of the hearing pursuant to UCA, Section 63G-4-203.

12.7 Reconsideration of the Board's decision may be requested in writing within 20 days of the date of the decision pursuant to UCA, Section 63G-4-302.

12.8 Judicial review of all final Board actions resulting from informal adjudicative proceedings is available pursuant to UCA, Section 63G-4-402.

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R710. Public Safety, Fire Marshal.
R710-10. Rules Pursuant to Fire Service Training, Education, and Certification.
R710-10-1. Title, Authority, and Adoption of Codes.

1.1 These rules shall be known as the "Rules Pursuant to Fire Service Training, Education, and Certification, and may be cited as such, and will be hereafter referred to as "these rules".

1.2 These rules are promulgated in accordance with Title 53, Chapter 7, Section 204, Utah Code Annotated 1953, as amended.

1.3 These rules are adopted by the Utah Fire Prevention Board to provide minimum rules for fire service training, education and certification by establishing a Fire Service Education Administrator, a Fire Education Program Coordinator, the Fire Service Standards and Training Council, the Fire Service Certification Council, the Utah Fire and Rescue Academy, and standards for those agencies conducting non-affiliated fire service training.

1.4 There is adopted as part of these rules the following code which is incorporated by reference:

1.4.1 National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), NFPA 1403, Standard on Live Fire Training Evolutions, 2002 edition.

R710-10-2. Definitions.

2.1 "Academy" means Utah Fire and Rescue Academy.

2.2 "Academy Director" means the Director of the Utah Fire and Rescue Academy.

2.3 "Administrator" means Fire Service Education Administrator.

2.4 "Board" means Utah Fire Prevention Board.

2.5 "Career Firefighter" means one whose primary employment is directly related to the fire service.

2.6 "Certification Council" means the Fire Service Certification Council.

2.7 "Certification System" means the Utah Fire Service Certification System.

2.8 "Coordinator" means Fire Service Education Program Coordinator.

2.9 "EMT" means Emergency Medical Technician.

2.10 "Non-Affiliated" means an individual who is not a member of an organized fire department.

2.11 "Plan" means Fire Academy Strategic Plan.

2.12 "RCA" means Recruit Candidate Academy.

2.13 "SFM" means State Fire Marshal or authorized deputy.

2.14 "Standards Council" means Fire Service Standards and Training Council.

2.15 "UCA" means Utah Code Annotated, 1953.

2.16 "Volunteer/Part-Paid Firefighter" means one whose primary employment is not directly related to the fire service.

R710-10-3. Fire Service Education Administrator.

3.1 There is created by the Board a Fire Service Education Administrator for the State of Utah. This Administrator shall be the State Fire Marshal.

3.2 The Administrator shall oversee statewide fire service education of all personnel receiving training monies from the Fire Academy Support Account.

3.2.1 The Administrator shall oversee fire service education in fire suppression, fire prevention, fire administration, operations, hazardous materials, rescue, fire investigation, and public fire education in the State of Utah.

3.3 The Administrator shall dedicate sufficient time and efforts to ensure that those monies dedicated from the Fire Academy Support Account are expended in the best interests of all personnel receiving fire service education.

3.4 The Administrator shall ensure equitable monies are expended in fire service education to volunteer, career, and prospective fire service personnel.

3.5 The Administrator shall as directed by the Board, solicit the legislature for funding to ensure that fire service personnel receive sufficient monies to receive the education necessary to prevent loss of life or property.

3.6 The Administrator shall oversee the Fire Department Assistance Grant program by completing the following:

3.6.1 Insure that a broad based selection committee is impaneled each year.

3.6.2 Compile for presentation to the Board the proposed grants.

3.6.3 Receive the Board's approval before issuing the grants.

3.7 The Administrator shall if necessary, establish proposed changes to fire service education statewide, insuring personnel receive the most proficient and professional training available, insure completion of agreements and contracts, and insure that payments on agreements and contracts are completed expeditiously.

3.8 The Administrator shall report to the Board at each regularly scheduled Board meeting the current status of fire service education statewide. The Administrator shall present any proposed changes in fire service education to the Board, and receive direction and approval from the Board, before making those changes.

R710-10-4. Fire Service Education Program Coordinator.

4.1 The Fire Service Education Program Coordinator shall assist the Administrator in statewide fire service education.

4.2 The Coordinator shall conduct fire service education evaluations, budget reviews, performance audits, and oversee the effectiveness of fire service education statewide.

4.3 The Coordinator shall ensure that there is an established Utah Fire Service Strategic Training Plan for fire service education statewide. The Coordinator shall work with the Academy Director to update the Strategic Plan and keep it current to the needs of the fire service.

4.4 The Coordinator shall report findings of audits, budgetary reviews, training contracts or agreements, evaluation of training standards, and any other necessary items of interest with regard to fire service education to the Administrator.

4.5 The Coordinator shall ensure that contracts are established each year for training and education of fire personnel that meets the needs of those involved in fire service education statewide.

4.6 The Coordinator shall be the staff assistant to the Fire Service Standards and Training Council and shall present agenda items to the Council Chair that need resolution or review. As the staff assistant to the Training Council, the coordinator shall ensure that appointed members attend, encourage that the decisions made further the interests of fire service education statewide, and ensure that the Board is kept informed of the Training Council's decisions.

R710-10-5. Fire Service Standards and Training Council.

5.1 There is created by the Board, the Fire Service Standards and Training Council, whose duties are to provide direction to the Board and Academy in matters relating to fire service standards, training, and certification.

5.2 The Standards Council shall serve in an advisory position to the Board, members shall be appointed by the Board, shall serve four year terms, and shall consist of the following members:

5.2.1 Representative from the Utah State Fire Chiefs Association.

5.2.2 Representative from the Utah State Firemen's Association.

5.2.3 Representative from the Fire Marshal's Association of Utah.

5.2.4 Specialist in hazardous materials representing the

Hazardous Materials Institute.

5.2.5 Fire/arson investigator representing the Utah Chapter of the International Association of Arson Investigators.

5.2.6 Specialist in wildland fire suppression and prevention from the Utah State Division of Forestry, Fire and State Lands.

5.2.7 Representative from the International Association of Firefighters.

5.2.8 Representative from the Utah Fire Service Certification Council.

5.2.9 Representative from the fire service that is an Advanced Life Support (ALS) provider to represent Emergency Medical Services.

5.2.10 Representative from the Utah Fire Training Officers Association.

5.3 The Standards Council shall meet quarterly and may hold other meetings as necessary for proper transaction of business. A majority of the Standards Council members shall be present to constitute a quorum.

5.4 The Standards Council shall select one of its members to act in the position of chair, and another member to act as vice chair. The chair and vice chair shall serve one year terms on a calendar year basis. Elections for chair and vice chair shall occur at the meeting conducted in the last quarter of the calendar year. If voted upon by the council, the vice chair will become the chair the next succeeding calendar year.

5.5 If a Standards Council member has two or more unexcused absences during a 12 month period, from regularly scheduled Standards Council meetings, it is considered grounds for dismissal pending review by the Board. The Coordinator shall submit the name of the Standards Council member to the Board for status review.

5.6 A member of the Standards Council may have a representative of their respective organization sit in proxy of that member, if submitted and approved by the Coordinator prior to the meeting.

5.7 The Chair or Vice Chair of the Standards Council shall report to the Board the activities of the Standards Council at regularly scheduled Board meetings. The Coordinator may report to the Board the activities of the Standards Council in the absence of the Chair or Vice Chair.

5.8 The Standards Council shall consider all subjects presented to them, subjects assigned to them by the Board, and shall report their recommendations to the Board at regularly scheduled Board meetings.

5.9 One-half of the members of the Standards Council shall be reappointed or replaced by the Board every two years.

R710-10-6. Utah Fire Service Certification Council.

6.1 There is created by the Board, the Utah Fire Service Certification Council, whose duties are to oversee fire service certification in the State of Utah.

6.2 The Certification Council shall be made up of 12 members, appointed by the Academy Director, approved by the Board, and each member shall serve three year terms.

6.3 The Certification Council shall be made up of users of the certification system and comprise both paid and volunteer fire personnel, members with special expertise, and members from various geographical locations in the state.

6.4 The purpose of the Certification Council is to provide direction on all aspects of certification, and shall report the activities of the Certification Council to the Fire Service Standards and Training Council.

6.5 Functioning of the Certification Council with regard to certification, re-certification, testing, meeting procedures, examinations, suspension, denial, annulment, revocation, appeals, and reciprocity, shall be conducted as specified in the Utah Fire Service Voluntary Certification Program, Policy and Procedures Manual.

6.6 A copy of the Utah Fire Service Voluntary Certification Program, Policy and Procedures Manual, shall be kept on file at the State Fire Marshal's Office and the Utah Fire and Rescue Academy.

R710-10-7. Utah Fire and Rescue Academy.

7.1 The primary fire service training school shall be known as the Utah Fire and Rescue Academy.

7.2 The Director of the Utah Fire and Rescue Academy shall report to the Administrator the activities of the Academy with regard to completion of the agreed academy contract.

7.3 The Academy Director may recommend to the Administrator or Coordinator new or expanded standards regarding fire suppression, fire prevention, public fire education, safety, certification, and any other items of necessary interest about the Academy.

7.4 The Academy shall receive approval from the Administrator, after being presented to the Standards and Training Council, any substantial changes in Academy training programs that vary from the agreed contract.

7.5 The Academy Director shall provide to the Coordinator by October 1st of each year, a numerical summary of those career, volunteer/part-paid, and non-affiliated students attending the Academy in the following categories:

7.5.1 Those who have received certification during the previous contract period at each certification level.

7.5.2 Those who have received an academic degree in any Fire Science category in the previous contract period.

7.5.3 Those who have completed other Academy classes during the previous contract period.

7.6 The Academy Director shall provide to the Coordinator by October 1st of each year, a numerical comparison of the categories required in Section 7.5, comparing attendance in the previous contract period.

7.7 The Academy Director shall provide to the Coordinator by October 1st of each year, in accepted budgeting practices, the following:

7.7.1 A cost analysis of classes to include the total spent for each class title, the average cost per class, the number of classes delivered, the number of participants per class title, and the cost per participant for each class title provided by the Academy.

7.7.2 A budget summary comparing amounts budgeted to actual expenditures for each budget code funded by the contract.

7.8 The Academy Director shall provide to the Coordinator by October 1st of each year, a numerical summary of those students attending Academy courses in the following categories:

7.8.1 Non-affiliated personnel enrolled in college courses.

7.8.2 Career fire service personnel enrolled in college credit courses.

7.8.3 Volunteer and part-paid fire service personnel enrolled in college credit courses.

7.8.4 Non-affiliated personnel enrolled in non-credit continuing education courses.

7.8.5 Career fire service personnel enrolled in non-credit continuing education courses.

7.8.6 Volunteer and part-paid fire service personnel enrolled in non-credit continuing education courses.

7.9 The Academy Director shall present to the Coordinator by January of each year, proposals to be incorporated in the Academy contract for the next fiscal year.

R710-10-8. Non-Affiliated Fire Service Training.

8.1 Those training organizations that desire to offer certification through the Certification System for non-affiliated personnel must receive approval in writing from the Standards Council and the Academy Director.

8.2 Before approval is granted, the training organization

requesting approval shall demonstrate the following:

8.2.1 Complete a written application requesting approval to conduct the training course.

8.2.2 Designate an approved course coordinator to oversee the course delivery and insure the course meets each of the applicable objectives.

8.2.3 Insure that qualified instructors are used to teach each subject.

8.2.4 Insure sufficient student to instructor ratios for all subjects or skills to be taught to include those designated high hazard.

8.2.5 Demonstrate that sufficient equipment and facilities will be provided to meet the training requirements of the course being taught.

8.2.6 Maintain course documentation as required through the Certification System to insure that all elements of the necessary training is completed.

8.2.7 Follow the accepted requirements of the Certification System for requesting testing and certification.

8.3 As required in Section 8.2.2 of these rules, the designated course coordinator shall meet the following requirements:

8.3.1 Be currently certified at the certification level as established by the Standards Council.

8.3.2 Insure that all assigned instructors meet the requirements as required in Section 8.4 of these rules.

8.3.3 Insure that the course syllabus and practical skills guide meet the requirements of the Certification System.

8.3.4 Insure that the requirements of Sections 8.2.4, 8.2.5, 8.2.6, and 8.2.7 of these rules are met.

8.4 As required in Section 8.2.3 of these rules, qualified instructors shall meet the following requirements:

8.4.1 Must be currently certified at the certification level as established by the Standards Council.

8.4.2 If the instructor is not certified, instructor qualification can be satisfied by special knowledge, experience or establishment of expertise.

8.5 An Introduction to Emergency Services class shall be completed by the non-affiliated student wishing to receive an RCA within the time period stated in 8.7 of these rules. The Introduction to Emergency Services class may be waived if the applicant can demonstrate to the Academy sufficient competency or prior experience in the fire service to make the class unwarranted.

8.6 Non-affiliated training providers shall follow the curriculum outline that is taught at the Academy in the Recruit Candidate Academy (RCA) program in order to award students an RCA Certificate of Completion.

8.7 An RCA Certificate of Completion may be issued to the non-affiliated student by the Academy upon successful completion of the following within a 24 month period:

8.7.1 Introduction to Emergency Services class or accepted waiver.

8.7.2 EMT Basic Course.

8.7.3 Completion of an accredited RCA.

R710-10-9. Repeal of Conflicting Board Actions.

All former Board actions, or parts thereof, conflicting or inconsistent with the provisions of this Board action or of the codes hereby adopted, are hereby repealed.

R710-10-10. Validity.

The Utah Fire Prevention Board hereby declares that should any section, paragraph, sentence, or word of this Board action, or of the codes hereby adopted, be declared invalid, it is the intent of the Utah Fire Prevention Board that it would have passed all other portions of this action, independent of the elimination of any portion as may be declared invalid.

R710-10-11. Adjudicative Proceedings.

11.1 All adjudicative proceedings performed by the agency shall proceed informally as set forth herein and as authorized by UCA, Sections 63G-4-202 and 63G-4-203.

11.2 A person may request a hearing on a decision made by the SFM, his authorized deputies, or the LFA, by filing an appeal to the Board within 20 days after receiving final decision.

11.3 All adjudicative proceedings, other than criminal prosecution, taken by the SFM, his authorized deputies, or the LFA, to enforce the Utah Fire Prevention and Safety Act and these rules, shall commence in accordance with UCA, Section 63G-4-201.

11.4 The Board shall act as the hearing authority, and shall convene as an appeals board after timely notice to all parties involved.

11.5 The Board shall direct the SFM to issue a signed order to the parties involved giving the decision of the Board within a reasonable time of the hearing pursuant to UCA, Section 63G-4-203.

11.6 Reconsideration of the Board's decision may be requested in writing within 20 days of the date of the decision pursuant to UCA, Section 63G-4-302.

11.7 Judicial review of all final Board actions resulting from informal adjudicative proceedings is available pursuant to UCA, Section 63G-4-402.

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R710. Public Safety, Fire Marshal.
R710-11. Fire Alarm System Inspecting and Testing.
R710-11-1. Adoption, Title, Purpose, and Prohibitions.

Pursuant to Section 53-7-204, Utah Code Annotated 1953, the Utah Fire Prevention Board adopts minimum rules to provide regulation to those who inspect and test fire alarm systems.

There is adopted as part of these rules the following codes which are incorporated by reference:

1.1 National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), Standard 72, National Fire Alarm Code, 2007 edition, except as amended by provisions listed in R710-11-6, et seq.

1.2 International Fire Code (IFC), 2006 edition, as published by the International Code Council, Inc. (ICC), except as amended by provisions listed in R710-11-6, et seq.

1.3 A copy of the above-mentioned standard is on file in the Office of Administrative Rules and the State Fire Marshal's Office.

R710-11-2. Definitions.

2.1 "Annual" means a period of one year or 365 calendar days.

2.2 "Authority Having Jurisdiction (AHJ) means the State Fire Marshal, his duly authorized deputies, the local fire enforcement authority, and building officials.

2.3 "Board" means Utah Fire Prevention Board.

2.4 "Certificates of Registration" means a written document issued by the SFM to any person for the purpose of granting permission to such person to perform any act or acts for which authorization is required.

2.5 "Inspecting and Testing" means work completed to ensure that the system operates properly as required in Section 1.2 of these rules.

2.6 "NFPA" means National Fire Protection Association.

2.7 "NICET" means National Institute for Certification in Engineering Technologies.

2.8 "SFM" means State Fire Marshal or authorized deputy.

2.9 "Service" means inspecting and testing of fire alarm systems.

2.10 "UCA" means Utah State Code Annotated 1953 as amended.

R710-11-3. Certificates of Registration.

3.1 Required Certificates of Registration.

No person shall engage in the inspecting and testing of fire alarm systems without first receiving a certificate of registration issued by the SFM. The following groups are exempted from the requirements of this part:

3.1.1 The AHJ that is performing the initial installation acceptance testing of the fire alarm system or ongoing inspections to verify compliance with the adopted NFPA standards and these rules.

3.1.2 The building owner or designee that performs additional periodic inspections beyond the annual inspection required in Section 6.2 of these rules, to satisfy requirements set by company policy, insurance, or risk management.

3.2 Application.

3.2.1 Application for a certificate of registration to inspect and test fire alarm systems shall be made in writing to the SFM on forms provided by the SFM. The applicant shall sign the application. The SFM or his deputies may request picture identification of the applicant for a certificate of registration.

3.2.2 The applicant shall indicate on the application which of the three technician levels the applicant will apply for:

3.2.2.1 Basic Fire Alarm Technician

3.2.2.2 Fire Alarm Technician

3.2.2.3 Master Fire Alarm Technician

3.2.3 The application for a certificate of registration shall be accompanied with proof of public liability insurance from the certificate holder or employing concern. A public liability insurance carrier showing coverage of at least $100,000 for each incident, and $300,000 in total coverage shall issue the public liability insurance. The certificate of registration holder shall notify the SFM within 30 days after the public liability insurance coverage required is not longer in effect for any reason.

3.3 Technician Examination.

The SFM shall require all applicants for a certificate of registration as a technician to complete the following:

3.3.1 Basic Fire Alarm Technician shall pass a written examination on basic testing of fire alarm systems or shall be certified as a NICET I. The Basic Fire Alarm Technician shall complete the manipulative skills task book. Work as a Basic Fire Alarm Technician shall be performed under direct supervision of a Fire Alarm Technician or Master Fire Alarm Technician.

3.3.2 Fire Alarm Technician shall pass all the requirements listed for Basic Fire Alarm Technician, and shall pass a written examination on basic testing and maintenance of fire alarm systems limited up to and including four story buildings or shall be certified as a NICET II.

3.3.3 Master Fire Alarm Technician shall pass all the requirements listed for Basic Fire Alarm Technician and Fire Alarm Technician, and shall pass a written examination on fire alarm systems in buildings over four stories, voice alarm/evacuation systems, and smoke control systems or shall be certified as a NICET III or as NICET IV.

3.4 Examinations will be given according to the following requirements:

3.4.1 All certification examinations given are open book examinations. The applicant is allowed to use the statute, the administrative rule, and the NFPA standard that applies to the certification examination. Any other materials to include cellular telephones are prohibited in the examination room.

3.4.2 Completion of the certification examination will not be allowed if it appears to the test administrator that the applicant has not prepared to take the examination.

3.4.3 Each certification examination taken has a time limit of two hours to completion. To successfully pass the written examination, the applicant must obtain a minimum grade of seventy percent (70%). Leaving the office or testing location before the completion of the examination voids the examination and will require the examination to be retaken by the applicant.

3.4.4 If there are different levels of proficiency in the subject matter, the lower proficiency level will be fully completed before the next higher proficiency will be administered.

3.4.5 To successfully complete the manipulative skills task book, all required skill tasks shall be signed as completed by a person duly qualified or certified in that skill.

3.5 As required in 3.3 of these rules, those applicants that have successfully completed the requirements and are certified by NICET in the skills that correspond to the work to be performed by the applicant, shall have the requirement for written examination waived, after appropriate documentation is provided to the SFM by the applicant.

3.6 Issuance.

Following receipt of the properly completed application, compliance with Section 3.3 of these rules, the SFM shall issue a certificate of registration.

3.7 Original and Renewal Valid Date.

Original certificates of registration shall be valid for one year from the date of application. Thereafter, each certificate of registration shall be renewed annually and renewals shall be valid for one year from issuance.

3.8 Renewal Date.

Application for renewal shall be made as directed by the SFM.

3.9 Re-examination.

Every holder of a valid certificate of registration shall take a re-examination every three years, from date of original certificate, to comply with the provisions of Section 3.3 of these rules as follows:

3.9.1 The re-examination to comply with the provisions of Section 3.3 of these rules, shall consist of an examination for each level of certification, to be mailed to the certificate holder at least 60 days before the renewal date.

3.9.2 The re-examination will consist of questions that focus on changes in the last three years to the adopted NFPA standards, the statute, and the adopted administrative rules. The re-examination may also consist of questions that focus on practices of concern as noted by the Board or the SFM.

3.9.3 The certificate holder is responsible to complete the re-examination and return it to the SFM in sufficient time to renew.

3.9.4 The certificate holder is responsible to return to the SFM the correct renewal fees to complete that certificate renewal.

3.10 Refusal to Renew.

The SFM may refuse to renew any certificate of registration in the same manner and for any reason that he is authorized, pursuant to Section 7, to deny an original certificate of registration. The applicant shall, upon such refusal, have the same rights as are granted by Section 7 of these rules to an applicant for an original certificate of registration, which has been denied by the SFM.

3.11 Inspection.

The holder of a certificate of registration shall submit such certificate for inspection, upon request of the AHJ.

3.12 Type.

Every certificate of registration shall indicate the type of act or acts to be performed and for which the applicant has qualified.

3.13 Change of Address.

Any change in home address of any holder of a valid certificate of registration shall be reported in writing, by the registered person to the SFM within 30 days of such change.

3.14 Duplicate.

A duplicate certificate of registration may be issued by the SFM to replace any previously issued certificate, which has been lost or destroyed.

3.15 Minimum Age.

No certificate of registration shall be issued to any person who is under 18 years of age.

3.16 Restrictive Use.

3.16.1 A certificate of registration may be used for identification purposes only as long as such certificate remains valid.

3.16.2 Regardless of the acts authorized to be performed by a licensed concern, only those acts for which the applicant for a certificate of registration has qualified shall be permissible by such applicant.

3.17 Right to Contest.

3.17.1 Every person who takes an examination for a certificate of registration shall have the right to contest the validity of individual questions of such examination.

3.17.2 Every contention as to the validity of individual questions of an examination shall be made within 48 hours after taking said examination.

3.17.3 The decision as to the action to be taken on the submitted contention shall be made by the SFM, and such decision shall be final.

3.17.4 The decision made by the SFM, and the action taken, shall be reflected in all future examinations, but shall not affect the grades established in any past examination.

3.18 Non-Transferable.

Certificates of Registration shall not be transferable. The person to whom issued shall carry individual certificates of registration.

3.19 Certificate of Registration Identification.

Every certificate shall be identified by a number. The certificate of registration shall be worn in a visible manner when inspecting and testing fire alarm systems.

3.20 New Employees

New or existing employees desiring to attain a certificate of registration may perform the various acts required while under the constant direct supervision of a person holding a valid certificate of registration for a period not to exceed 90 days from the initial date of employment or beginning service in the field.

R710-11-4. Service Tags.

4.1 Size and Color.

4.1.1 Tags shall be not more than five and one-half inches (5-1/2") in height, nor less than four and one-half inches (4-1/2") in height, and not more than three inches (3") in width, nor less than two and one-half inches (2-1/2") in width.

4.1.2 Tags may be produced in any color except red or a variation of red.

4.1.3 A red tag shall be used to indicate the system fails to ensure a reasonable degree of protection for life and property from fire through inspecting and testing of fire alarm systems as required in NFPA, Standard 72, and the requirements of these rules. After placing the red tag on the system, the certified person shall notify the AHJ and provide the AHJ with a written copy of the noted deficiencies.

4.1.4 If the AHJ reviews the noted deficiencies on the attached red tag and finds the deficiencies are not consistent with the requirements in NFPA, Standard 72, the red tag shall be removed by the certified person that attached the red tag.

4.2 Placement of Tag.

The service tag shall be attached at the fire alarm control panel for each system inspected or at other locations as needed to show compliance. The service tag shall be attached to the control panel in such a position as to be conveniently inspected by the AHJ.

4.3 Tag Information.

4.3.1 Service tags shall bear the following information:

4.3.1.1 Provisions of Section 4.7.

4.3.1.2 Approved Seal of Registration of the SFM.

4.3.1.3 Certificate of registration number of individual who performed or supervised the service or services performed.

4.3.1.4 Signature of individual whose certificate of registration number appears on the tag.

4.3.1.5 Concern's name.

4.3.1.6 Concern's address.

4.3.1.7 Type of service performed.

4.3.1.8 Type of system serviced.

4.3.1.9 Date service is performed.

4.3.2 The above information shall appear on one side of the service tag. All other desired printing or information shall be placed on the reverse side of the tag.

4.4 Legibility.

4.4.1 The certificate of registration number required in Section 4.3.1.3, and the signature required in Section 4.3.1.4, shall be printed or written distinctly.

4.4.2 All information pertaining to date and type of service shall be indicated on the card by perforations in the appropriate space provided. Each perforation shall clearly indicate the desired information.

4.5 Format.

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4.6 New Tag.

A new service tag shall be attached to a system each time a service is performed.

4.7 Tag Wording.

The following wording shall be placed at the top or reinforced ring end of every tag: "DO NOT REMOVE BY ORDER OF THE STATE FIRE MARSHAL".

4.8 Removal.

4.8.1 No person or persons shall remove a service tag except when further service is performed.

4.8.2 No person shall deface, modify, or alter any service tag that is required to be attached to the system.

4.8.3 A red tag can only be removed by written authority from the AHJ. Verbal authority to initially remove the tag is allowed as long as it is followed by written authority.

4.9 Tag Dates.

Service tags may be printed for any number of years not to exceed eight years.

R710-11-5. Seal of Registration.

5.1 Description.

The official seal of registration of the SFM shall consist of the following:

5.1.1 The image of the State of Utah shall be in the center with an outer ring stating, "Utah State Fire Marshal".

5.1.1.1 The top portion of the outer ring shall have the wording "Utah State".

5.1.1.2 The bottom portion of the outer ring shall have the wording "Fire Marshal".

5.1.2 Appending below the bottom portion and in a centered position, shall be a box provided for the displaying of the certification number assigned to the person.

5.2 Use of Seal.

No person shall produce, reproduce, or use this seal in any manner or for any purpose except as herein provided.

5.3 Permissive Use.

Certificate holders or concerns shall use the Seal of Registration on every service tag.

5.4 Cease Use Order.

No person or concern shall continue the use of the Seal of Registration in any manner or for any purpose after receipt of a notice in writing from the SFM to that effect, or upon the suspension or revocation of the certificate of registration.

5.5 Legibility.

Every reproduction of the Seal of Registration and every letter and number placed thereon, shall be of sufficient size to render such seal, letter, and number distinct and clearly legible.

R710-11-6. Amendments and Additions.

6.1 Service.

At the time of service, all servicing shall be done in accordance with the adopted NFPA standard, adopted statutes, and these rules.

6.2 Frequency.

Fire alarm systems shall be inspected annually by a person holding the appropriate certificate of registration as required in Section 3.1 of these rules.

6.3 New Systems.

Newly installed fire alarm systems are exempt from the annual testing requirement required in Section 6.2 of these rules, for one year from the approval date of the initial installation acceptance testing.

6.4 Retroactive Installation of Automatic Fire Alarm Systems.

IFC, Chapter 9, Sections 907.3.1.1, 907.3.1.2, 907.3.1.3, 907.3.1.4, 907.3.1.5, 907.3.1.6, 907.3.1.7, and 907.3.1.8 are deleted.

6.5 National Fire Protection Association

6.5.1 NFPA 72, Chapter 2, Section 2.2 is amended to add the following NFPA standard: NFPA 20, Standard for the Installation of Stationary Pumps for Fire Protection, 2007 edition.

6.5.2 NFPA 72, Chapter 4, Section 4.3.2.2(2) is deleted and rewritten as follows: National Institute of Certification in Engineering Technologies (NICET) fire alarm level II certified personnel.

6.5.3 NFPA 72, Chapter 4, Section 4.3.3(2) is deleted and rewritten as follows: National Institute of Certification in Engineering Technologies (NICET) fire alarm level II certified personnel.

6.5.4 NFPA 72, Chapter 4, Section 4.4.3.7.2 is amended to add the following sentence: When approved by the AHJ, the audible notification appliances may be deactivated during the investigation mode to prevent unauthorized reentry into the building.

6.5.5 NFPA 72, Chapter 4, Section 4.4.5 is deleted and rewritten as follows: Automatic smoke detection shall be provided at the location of each fire alarm control unit(s), notification appliance circuit power extenders, and supervising station transmitting equipment to provide notification of fire at the location.

6.5.5.1 NFPA 72, Chapter 4, Section 4.4.5, Exception No. 1: When ambient conditions prohibit installation of automatic smoke detection, automatic heat detection shall be permitted.

6.5.6 NFPA 72, Chapter 4, Section 4.5.2.1, RECORD OF COMPLETION, or equivalent form approved by the SFM shall be used as the accepted forms for testing and inspecting fire alarm systems.

6.5.7 NFPA 72, Chapter 6, Section 6.8.5.9 is amended to add the following section: 6.8.5.9.3 Automatic fire pumps shall be supervised in accordance with NFPA 20, Standard for the Installation of Stationary Pumps for Fire Protection, and the AHJ.

6.5.8 NFPA 72, Chapter 7, Section 7.4.1.2 is amended as follows: On line three delete "110dBA" and replace it with "120dBA".

6.5.9 NFPA 72, Chapter 8, Section 8.3.4.7 is amended as follows: On line two, after the word "notified" insert the words "without delay".

6.5.10 NFPA 72, Chapter 10, Section 10.2.2.5.1 is deleted and rewritten as follows: Service personnel shall be qualified and experienced in the inspection, testing and maintenance of fire alarm systems. Qualified personnel shall meet the certification requirements stated in Utah Administrative Code, R710-11-3, Fire Alarm System Inspecting and Testing.

R710-11-7. Adjudicative Proceedings.

7.1 All adjudicative proceedings performed by the agency shall proceed informally as authorized by UCA, Sections 63G-4-202 and 63G-4-203.

7.2 The issuance, renewal, or continued validity of a certificate of registration may be denied, suspended, or revoked, if the SFM finds that the applicant or the person has committed any of the following violations:

7.2.1 The applicant or person is not the real person of interest.

7.2.2 The applicant or person provides material misrepresentation or false statements on the application.

7.2.3 The applicant or person refuses to allow inspection by the SFM, or his duly authorized deputies.

7.2.4 The applicant or person for a certificate of registration does not have the proper equipment to conduct the operations for which application is made.

7.2.5 The applicant or person for a certificate of registration does not possess the qualifications of skill or competence to conduct the operations for which application is made, as evidenced by failure to pass the examination or manipulative skills pursuant to Section 3.3 of these rules.

7.2.6 The applicant or person refuses to take the examination required by Section 3.3 of these rules.

7.2.7 The applicant or person fails to pay the certification of registration, examination or other required fees as required in

Section 8 of these rules.

7.2.8 The applicant or person has been convicted of violating one or more federal, state or local laws.

7.2.9 The applicant or person has been convicted of a violation of the adopted rules or been found by a Board administrative proceeding to have violated the adopted rules.

7.2.10 Any offense or finding of unlawful conduct, or there is or may be, a threat to the public's health or safety if the applicant or person were granted a certificate of registration.

7.2.11 There are other factors upon which a reasonable and prudent person would rely to determine the suitability of the applicant or person to safely and competently engage in the practice of servicing fire alarm system equipment.

7.3 A person whose certificate of registration is suspended or revoked by the SFM shall have an opportunity for a hearing before the Board if requested by that person within 20 days after receiving notice.

7.4 All adjudicative proceedings, other than criminal prosecution, taken by the SFM to enforce the Utah Fire Prevention and Safety Act, and these rules, shall commence in accordance with UCA, Section 63G-4-201.

7.5 The Board shall act as the hearing authority, and shall convene after timely notice to all parties involved. The Board shall be the final authority on the suspension or revocation of a certificate of registration.

7.6 The Board shall direct the SFM to issue a signed order to the parties involved giving the decision of the Board within a reasonable time of the hearing pursuant to UCA, Section 63G-4-203.

7.7 Reconsideration of the Board decision may be requested in writing within 20 days of the date of the decision pursuant to UCA, Section 63G-4-302.

7.8 After a period of three years from the date of revocation, the Board shall review the submitted written application of a person whose certificate of registration has been revoked. After timely notice to all parties involved, the Board shall convene to review the revoked persons application, and that person shall be allowed to present themselves and their case before the Board. After the hearing, the Board shall direct the SFM to allow the person to complete the certification process or shall direct that the revocation be continued.

7.9 Judicial review of all final Board actions resulting from informal adjudicative proceedings shall be conducted pursuant to UCA, Section 63G-4-402.

R710-11-8. Fees.

8.1 Fee Schedule.

8.1.1 Certificates of Registration (new and renewals):

8.1.1.1 Certificate of registration - $40.00

8.1.1.2 Duplicate - $30.00

8.1.2 Examinations:

8.1.2.1 Initial examination - $30.00

8.1.2.2 Re-examination - $30.00

8.1.2.3 Three-year examination - $30.00

8.2 Payment of Fees.

The required fee shall accompany the application for certificate of registration. Certificate of registration fees will be refunded if the application is denied.

8.3 Late Renewal Fees.

8.3.1 Any certificate of registration not renewed on or before the original date of issuance will be subject to an additional fee equal to 10% of the required fee.

8.3.2 When a certificate of registration has expired for more than one year, an application shall be made for an original certificate as if the application was being made for the first time.

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R728. Public Safety, Peace Officer Standards and Training.
R728-101. Public Petitions For Declaratory Rulings.
R728-101-1. Authority.

The authority for this rule is authorized under 63G-4-301 which describes how interested parties may petition an agency with regard to making, amending, or repealing rules.

R728-101-2. Definitions.

A. Terms used in this rule are defined in Section 63G-4-103.

B. In addition:

1. "order" means an agency action of particular applicability that determines the legal rights, duties, privileges, immunities, or other legal interests of one or more specific persons, not a class of persons;

2. "declaratory ruling" means an administrative interpretation or explanation or rights, status, and other legal relations under a statute, rule, or order; and

3. "applicability" means a determination if a statute, rule or order should be applied, and if so, how the law stated should be applied to the facts.

R728-101-3. Petition Procedure.

A. Any person or agency may petition for a declaratory ruling.

B. The petition shall be addressed and delivered to the director of POST.

C. POST shall stamp the petition with the date of receipt.

R728-101-4. Petition Form.

The petition shall:

1. be clearly designated as a request for a declaratory ruling;

2. identify the statute, rule, order to be reviewed;

3. describe the situation or circumstances in which applicability is to be reviewed;

4. describe the reason or need for the applicability review;

5. include an address and telephone where the petitioner can be reached during regular work days; and

6. be signed by the petitioner.

R728-101-5. Petition Review and Disposition.

The director or designee shall:

1. review and consider the petition;

2. prepare a declaratory ruling stating:

a. the applicability or non-applicability of the statute, rule, or order at issue;

b. the reasons for the applicability or non-applicability of the statute, rule, or order; and

c. any requirements imposed on the agency, the petitioner, or any person as a result of the ruling.

3. POST may:

a. interview the petitioner;

b. hold a public hearing on the petition;

c. consult with counsel or the Attorney General; or

d. take any action POST, in its judgement, deems necessary to provide the petition adequate review and due consideration.

4. POST shall prepare the declaratory ruling without unnecessary delay and shall send the petitioner a copy of the ruling by certified mail, or shall send the petitioner notice of progress in preparing the ruling, within 30 days of receipt of the petition.

5. POST shall retain the petition and a copy of the declaratory ruling in its records.

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R728. Public Safety, Peace Officer Standards and Training.
R728-205. Council Resolution of Public Safety Retirement Eligibility.
R728-205-1. Authority.

The authority for this rule is authorized under UCA Sections 53-6-105, 49-14-201(4)(5)(6) and 49-15-201(5)(6)(7).

R728-205-2. Purpose.

To describe the process by which the Council will determine eligibility for participation in the public safety retirement system.

R728-205-3. Eligibility.

A. The following shall be the minimum requirements established for eligibility of employment positions into the public safety retirement system:

1. the employment position requires full-time employment with the employing unit;

2. the employment position requires the employee to serve in a position that may place the employee at risk to life and personal safety;

3. the employment position requires peace officer certification and training in the peace officer, correctional officer, or special function officer designations defined under UCA Section 53-13-103, 53-13-104, or 53-13-105;

4. the employment position's primary duties shall consist of the duties defined under UCA Section 53-13-103, 53-13-104, or 53-13-105.

R728-205-4. Procedures.

A. The Council shall establish a subcommittee to review all disputes between the retirement office and an employing unit or employee regarding public safety retirement eligibility.

B. The subcommittee shall only review employment positions eligible for public safety retirement.

C. The subcommittee shall review disputed employment positions within a reasonable period of time after receipt of notice of the dispute.

D. Within 30 days of receipt of the notice of dispute, the subcommittee shall give written notification to the concerned parties that it is considering the dispute, including notice of the opportunity to submit written briefs to the subcommittee within thirty days of said notice. Either party may request a hearing before the subcommittee within 30 days of the issuance of said notice. If both parties fail to request a hearing, the subcommittee will decide the issue, and make it's recommendation based on the written briefs.

E. The recommendation of the subcommittee shall be made in writing and copies of the order shall be mailed to the concerned parties.

F. All parties in the dispute shall have an opportunity to request a review of the subcommittee's recommendation before the Council.

1. Requests for review shall be submitted in writing to the director of the division within 15 days from the date of issuance of the subcommittee's recommendation.

2. Requests for review shall contain all issues and evidence which the party wishes to present before the Council, and a copy thereof shall be sent to all other parties. The party seeking the review shall provide to all transcripts, documents and briefs to the Council within 30 days after filing the notice requesting review. No party shall be permitted oral argument before the Council unless a request for oral argument is filed with the Council within the same 30 day period. If oral argument is requested, the parties shall be permitted 20 minutes each to present oral argument on their respective positions.

3. Upon receipt of the subcommittee's recommendation and/or a request for review, the director shall notify the Council and schedule a hearing for the next available Council meeting.

4. A majority of those Council members considering the recommendation shall be required to adopt said recommendation.

5. The Council shall render a written decision within a reasonable period of time, and the director shall issue a formal written notice thereof to all concerned parties. The director's written notice shall constitute final agency action.

G. All proceedings under this rule shall be informal as set forth in UCA Section 63G-4-202, and shall be conducted pursuant to the procedures set forth in UCA Section 63G-4-203.

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R728. Public Safety, Peace Officer Standards and Training.
R728-409. Refusal, Suspension, or Revocation of Peace Officer Certification.
R728-409-1. Authority.

The authority for the refusal, suspension or revocation of peace officer certification is authorized under Section 53-6-105(K) and 53-6-211 which gives authority for the Director of Peace Officers Standards and Training to make rules for this chapter.

R728-409-2. Purpose.

The purpose of a procedure for the refusal, suspension, or revocation of peace officer certification/authority is to further law enforcement professionalism and to protect the public, employing agencies and law enforcement officers alike.

R728-409-3. Cause to Evaluate Certification for the Refusal, Suspension, or Revocation of Peace Officer Certification or Authority.

The division may initiate an investigation when it receives information that grounds for refusal, suspension, or revocation of certification exist. The initial information may come from any responsible source, including those provisions of R728-409-5. Pursuant to the purpose and intent of 53-6-211, revocation is a permanent deprivation of peace officer certification or authority, and except as outlined in R728-409-28 does not allow for a person who has been revoked in the State of Utah to be readmitted into any peace officer training program conducted by or under the approval of the division, or to have peace officer certification or authority reinstated or restored by the division.

Any of the following provisions may constitute cause for refusal, suspension, or revocation of peace officer certification or authority:

A. Any willful falsification of any information provided to the division to obtain certified status. The information could be in the form of written application, supplementary documentation requested or required by the division, testimony or other oral communication to the division, or any other form of information which could be considered fraudulent or false for purposes of Subsection 53-6-211(1)(d)(i).

B. "Physical or mental disability" for purposes of Section 53-6-211(1)(d)(ii), shall be defined as set forth in Utah Administrative Code, Rule R728-403-9, Physical, Emotional, or Mental Condition Requirement, and division medical guidelines.

C. Conviction of any drug related offense including the provisions of Title 58 Chapter 37.

D. "Addiction to drug or narcotics" for purposes of Section 53-6-211(1)(d)(iii) means addiction to any drug or narcotic as defined in Title 58, Chapter 37.

1. Peace officers who, in the normal course of their peace officer duties and functions, possess, attempt to simulate, unintentionally use or are forced to use, narcotics, drugs, or drug paraphernalia, shall be exempt from the provisions of Section 53-6-211(1)(d)(iii) and (v), so long as their conduct:

a. is authorized by their law enforcement employer; and

b. does not jeopardize the public health, safety or welfare.

2. Addiction to drugs or narcotics as a direct result of the legitimate treatment of a physical, emotional or psychological disease, or injury which is currently being treated by a licensed physician or medical practitioner licensed in this state or any other state, and which has been reported, in writing, to the law enforcement employer and P.O.S.T., shall not be considered a violation of Section 53-6-211(1)(d)(iii) so long as the addiction does not jeopardize the public health, safety or welfare.

a. Addiction to unlawfully obtained drugs or narcotics arising from circumstances not involving (a) the legitimate treatment of a physical disease; (b) circumstances involving surgery or serious injury; (c) from psychological illness; and (d) which has not been treated by a licensed physician or medical practitioner, licensed in this state or any other state, shall be considered a violation of Section 53-6-211(1)(d)(iii).

b. No applicant shall be granted peace officer certification or authority if it is demonstrated that the applicant has a drug addiction which is not under control.

c. A peace officer may have peace officer certification or authority temporarily suspended for the duration of drug rehabilitation. If the peace officer has demonstrated control of the drug addiction as determined by a division medical consultant, peace officer certification or authority shall be restored.

d. Criminal conduct by a person asserting the conduct was the result of drug addiction or dependence shall be grounds for refusal, suspension or revocation of peace officer certification or authority despite the fact that rehabilitation has not occurred prior to the peace officer certification or authority being refused, suspended or revoked.

3. Notwithstanding anything contained in this administrative rule to the contrary, a peace officer may have peace officer certification or authority revoked for conduct in violation of Section 53-6-211(1)(d)(iii), if, prior to the conduct in question, the peace officer has had a previous suspension or revocation of peace officer certification or authority under Section 53-6-211(1)(d)(iii), or similar statute of another jurisdiction.

E. Conviction of a felony.

F. "Crimes involving dishonesty" for purposes of Section 53-6-211(1)(d)(iv) means conviction for criminal conduct, under the statutes of this state or any other jurisdiction, which under the rules of evidence can be used to impeach a witness or involving, but not limited to, any of the following:

1. theft;
2. fraud;
3. tax evasion;
4. issuing bad checks;
5. financial transaction credit card offenses;
6. deceptive business practices;
7. defrauding creditors;
8. robbery;
9. aggravated robbery;
10. bribery or receiving a bribe;
11. perjury;
12. extortion;
13. falsifying government records;
14. forgery;
15. receiving stolen property;
16. burglary or aggravated burglary.

G. "Crimes involving unlawful sexual conduct" for purposes of Section 53-6-211(1)(d)(iv) means any violation described in Title 76, Chapter 5, Part 4; Chapter 5a; Chapter 7, Part 1; Chapter 10, Part 13; or Chapter 9, Part 7, Section 702, 702.5 and 702.7.

H. "Crimes involving physical violence" for purposes of Section 53-6-211(1)(d)(iv) means any violation of Part 1, Assault and Related Offenses, and Part 2, Criminal Homicide, of Title 76, Chapter 5.

I. "Driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs" for purposes of Section 53-6-211(1)(d)(iv) means any violation of Section 41-6a-502.

Criminal conduct by an individual asserting the conduct was a result of drug addiction or dependence shall be grounds for refusal, suspension or revocation despite the fact that rehabilitation has not occurred prior to the refusal, suspension or revocation.

J. "Conduct or pattern of conduct" for purposes of Section 53-6-211(1)(d)(v) means an act or series of acts by a person which occur prior to or following the granting of peace officer certification or authority.

1. Conduct that shall be considered as grounds for violation of Section 53-6-211(1)(d)(v) shall include:

a. uncharged conduct which includes the conduct set forth in Rule R728-409-3, which could be considered criminal, although such conduct does not result in the filing of criminal charges against the person, but where the evidence shows that the criminal act did occur, that the person committed the act, and that the burden of proof by a preponderance of the evidence could be established by the division;

b. criminal conduct where a criminal charge is filed, a conviction is not obtained, but where the evidence shows that the criminal act did occur, that the person committed the act, and that the burden of proof by a preponderance of the evidence appears to exist;

c. criminal conduct as enumerated in Section 53-6-211(1)(d)(iv) and 53-6-203, where the filing of a criminal charge has resulted in a finding of guilt based on evidence presented to a judge or jury, a guilty plea, a plea of nolo contendere, a plea of guilty or nolo contendere which is held in abeyance pending the successful completion of probation, diversion agreements, or conviction which has been expunged, dismissed, or treated in a similar manner to either of these procedures;

d. violations of Section 53-6-211(1)(d)(i) or the refusal to respond, or the failure to respond truthfully, to the questions of POST investigators asked pursuant to R728-409-5;

e. violations of Section 53-6-211(1)(d)(iii) which involve criminal conduct or jeopardize the public health, safety or welfare;

f. sexual harassment which is:

(i) conduct which rises to the level of behavior of a criminal sexual nature which includes, but is not limited to, the unwelcomed touching of the breasts of a female, buttocks or genitals of another, and or taking of indecent liberties with another;

(ii) behavior by a supervisor which creates the perception in the mind of the subordinate that the granting or withholding of tangible job benefits shall be based on the granting of sexual favors.

g. sexual conduct which is:

(i) subject to criminal punishment; or

(ii) substantially diminishes or, if known, would tend to diminish public confidence and respect for law enforcement; or

(iii) damages or, if known, would tend to damage a law enforcement department's efficiency or morale; or

(iv) impairs or, if known, would tend to impair the ability of the peace officer to objectively and diligently perform the duties and functions of a peace officer;

h. sexual activity protected by the right of privacy, that does not hamper law enforcement, shall not be grounds for refusal, suspension or revocation of peace officer certification or authority.

i. Other conduct, whether charged or uncharged, which constitutes: malfeasance in office, non-feasance in office, violates the peace officer's oath of office, or a willful and deliberate violation of Title 53, Chapter 6, or the administrative rules contained in Utah Administrative Code, Agency R728.

(i) Malfeasance for purposes of subsection (h) shall include the commission of some act which is wholly wrongful or unlawful that affects, interrupts or interferes with the performance of official duties.

(ii) Non-feasance for purposes of subsection (h) shall include the omission of an act which a peace officer by virtue of his employment as such is charged to do.

(iii) oath of office for purposes of subsection (h) shall include the swearing of a person, upon employment as a peace officer defined in Title 53, Chapter 13, to an oath to support, obey and defend the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Utah and discharge the duties of the office with fidelity, or, a similar oath of a county, city or town.

j. arrest for driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs, where the elements of the offense could be established by a preponderance of the evidence.

k. Addiction to alcohol:

(i) if it is demonstrated that a peace officer or applicant for peace officer certification or authority has an alcohol addiction which is not under control;

(ii) a peace officer with an alcohol addiction may have peace officer certification or authority temporarily suspended for the duration of alcohol rehabilitation. If the peace officer has demonstrated control of the alcohol addiction as determined by a division medical consultant, peace officer certification or authority may be restored;

(iii) criminal conduct by an individual asserting the conduct was a result of alcohol addiction or dependence shall be grounds for refusal, suspension or revocation despite the fact that rehabilitation has not occurred prior to the refusal, suspension or revocation.

l. Acts of gross negligence or misconduct which is "clearly outrageous" or shock the conscience of a reasonable person;

(i) violations of the Law Enforcement Code of Ethics as adopted by the Council;

(ii) lying under the Garrity warning

m. A dismissal from military service under any of the following circumstances:

(i) Bad conduct discharge (BCD)

(ii) Dishonorable discharge (DD)

(iii) Administrative discharge of "General under honorable conditions" (GEN).

R728-409-4. Conduct Not in Violation of Section 53-6-211(1).

Conduct which shall not be considered a violation of this subsection includes:

A. Traffic violations other than those enumerated in Section 53-6-211(1)(d)(iv) or R728-409-3 herein; or

B. Violations of individual department policy and procedure as enumerated in Section 53-6-211(4).

R728-409-5. Investigative Procedure.

A. All investigations initiated shall be commenced upon the reasonable belief that cause exists for the refusal, suspension or revocation of peace officer, correctional officer, reserve/auxiliary officer or special function officer certification as indicated in section 409-3 above.

B. The initiation of an investigation may occur upon any of the following circumstances:

1. A peace officer who has been charged with a criminal violation of law;

2. A peace officer who has committed conduct which is a criminal act under law, but which has not been criminally charged and/or where criminal prosecution is not anticipated;

3. A peace officer who has committed conduct in violation of section 409-3 above, where the department has conducted disciplinary action and notification of the conduct has been made to the division by the peace officer's department;

4. A department which has terminated a peace officer from employment for conduct which is in violation of section 409-3 above;

5. A department which has agreed to allow a peace officer to resign, rather than terminate the employment, for conduct which is in violation of section 409-3 above;

6. A complaint from a citizen which, on its face, appears to be a violation of section 409-3 above;

7. Media attention, confirmed by the employing agency, reporting peace officer misconduct which appears to be in violation of section 409-3 above;

8. Information from a peace officer, concerning another

peace officer or law enforcement department, alleging improper, unethical, or unlawful conduct in violation of section 409-3 above;

9. Information against a peace officer received from any law enforcement agency, criminal justice related agency, or political subdivision alleging improper, unethical, or unlawful conduct in violation of section 409-3 above;

10. Administrative procedures instituted by the division to uncover or reveal past criminal conduct or the character of an individual requesting peace officer certification, or entrance into a certified peace officer training program which upon completion would create eligibility for peace officer certification; and/or

11. The peace officer may be directed to respond to questions pursuant to a "Garrity Warning." Refusal to respond to questions after being warned, or the failure to respond truthfully, may result in a suspension up to three years depending on aggravating and mitigating circumstances.

C. All citizens requesting to file a complaint against a peace officer will be requested to sign a written statement detailing the incident, swear to the accuracy of the statement, be advised that complaints found to be malicious in nature may be prosecuted under Section 76-8-511, Falsification of Government Record, and may require that the citizen submit to a polygraph examination concerning the truth and veracity of the complaint.

D. Non-criminal complaints or information about a peace officer initiated by another peace officer will be submitted in writing detailing the incident or offer the division a tape recorded statement detailing the incident.

E. A staff member will be assigned to investigate the complaint or information and to make a recommendation to proceed or to discontinue action in the matter.

1. If a peace officer under investigation is employed by a law enforcement agency, POST shall notify the peace officer's employing agency concerning the complaint or information.

2. POST will refer any complaints made by officers or citizens of a criminal nature to the appropriate agency having jurisdiction.

3. Criminal complaints will be handled by the agency having jurisdiction.

4. If the responsible agency has an open and active case POST will wait until the agency has completed their investigation before taking action.

5. POST will use the investigation and may use the adjudicative findings to help determine its action with regard to an individual's certification. POST will do it's own investigation whenever it feels the necessity to do so.

6. POST will take action based on the actual conduct of the individual as determined by an investigative process, not necessarily on the punishment or finding of the court.

7. POST's primary concern is conduct that disrupts, diminishes or otherwise jeopardizes public trust and fidelity in law enforcement.

8. Complaints that are not criminal will be investigated by the agency having jurisdiction. If the employing agency chooses not to investigate, a POST staff investigator may be assigned to conduct the investigation.

9. Witnesses and other evidence may be subpoenaed for the investigation pursuant to Section 53-6-210.

10. If ordinary investigative procedures cannot resolve the facts at issue, the peace officer may be requested to submit to a polygraph examination. Refusal to do so could result in the immediate suspension of peace officer certification until such time as an administrative proceeding can be established or other factual information has been received which no longer requires the need for the polygraph examination.

11. If an officer is found to have lied under the Garrity warning, his certification may result in a suspension up to three years depending on aggravating and mitigating circumstances.

F. Subsection (E) will be the method preferred for the investigation of alleged violations of Title 53, Chapter 6, unless special investigative procedures are determined to be more beneficial to the investigative process by the director and the council as per R728-409-7.

G. If the alleged conduct constitutes a public offense for which the individual involved has not been previously convicted, the division shall immediately notify the appropriate prosecutorial authority. If the conduct would also, if proven, constitute grounds for suspension or decertification under Section 53-6-211(1), the director in his discretion may immediately suspend the certification of the individual as provided in Section 63G-4-502 and Rule R728-409-25.

H. If immediate suspension of a peace officer's certification is believed necessary to ensure the safety and welfare of the public, or for insuring the continued public trust or professionalism of law enforcement, the director shall immediately establish the procedures for investigation and adjudicative proceedings in order to fulfill the due process rights of the peace officer.

I. Whenever an investigation is initiated the officer(s) who is under investigation and his department will be notified as soon as reasonably possible, except in cases where the nature of the complaint would make such a course of action impractical. The date and time the department administrator and the officer are notified should be noted in the appropriate space on the complaint form.

J. In all cases, where possible, the investigation shall be conducted with the full knowledge and assistance of the department administrator or the administrator of the employing political subdivision.

K. If during the course of an investigation it appears that criminal action may be involved the information is to be turned over to appropriate local authorities for disposition. It is not the position of the division to be involved in investigating criminal cases against officers. If criminal charges are pending against an officer the division may wait until the case is adjudicated before deciding if any further action is warranted by the division (subject to subsection (5)(J) above).

L. Assigned investigators are to ensure that all investigative procedures are properly documented and recorded in the case file.

M. Final disposition of a case (i.e., close case, refer to department for follow-up action, refer for adjudicative proceeding, etc.) will be made by the deputy director with the approval of the director.

R728-409-6. Special Investigative Proceedings - Procedures.

A. The Director with the concurrence of the Council on Peace Officer Standards and Training, may initiate special investigative proceedings.

B. The purpose of the special investigative proceeding is to hear testimony and other evidence regarding violations of Chapter 6, Title 53.

C. Special investigative proceedings will be presided over by a panel of the Council on Peace Officer Standards and Training consisting of at least three Council members and any persons designated by the Council Chairman and Director of the division.

D. Direct examination of witnesses will be conducted by members of the panel.

E. The division and presiding officer may subpoena witnesses and other evidence for special investigative proceedings, as per Sections 53-6-210 and 63G-4-205(2).

F. The special investigative proceeding will be a proceeding of record by the use of tape recording and/or court reporter.

G. If an officer is found to have lied under the Garrity warning, his certification may result in a suspension up to three

years depending on aggravating and mitigating circumstances.

R728-409-7. Purpose of Adjudicative Proceedings.

A. The purpose of adjudicative proceedings will be to establish whether or not:

1. the respondent did in fact commit the alleged conduct; and

2. such conduct falls within the grounds for administrative action enumerated in Section 53-6-211(1); or

3. to exonerate the respondent if the evidence presented fails to prove that the respondent committed the alleged conduct or that such conduct falls within grounds for administrative action enumerated in Section 53-6-211(1); or

4. to recommend, to the Council on Peace Officer Standards and Training and the Director of the Division of Peace Officer Standards and Training, any action to be taken with respect to the respondent if the evidence presented indicates that the respondent committed the alleged conduct and that such conduct falls within grounds for administrative action enumerated in Rule R728-409-2 above and in Section 53-6-211(1).

B. The Administrative Law Judge may recommend refusal, suspension or revocation of the respondent's peace officer, correctional officer, reserve/auxiliary officer or special function officer certification, as applicable.

C. Any decision reached by the Administrative Law Judge against the respondent involving a violation of Subsection 53-6-211(1), must meet the standard burden of proof which will be a preponderance of evidence.

R728-409-8. Commencement of Adjudicative Proceedings - Administrative Complaint.

A. Except as otherwise permitted by Sections 53-6-211(6) and 63G-4-502 and Rules R728-409-8(C) and R728-409-25, all adjudicative proceedings shall be commenced by notice of an Administrative Complaint accompanied by a Notice of Agency Action. The Administrative Complaint will set forth the allegations complained of by the division. A copy of the Administrative Complaint and Notice of Agency Action shall be sent to the individual named on the administrative complaint and notice of agency action or by certified mail.

B. The Administrative Complaint shall be filed and served according to the following requirements:

1. when adjudicative proceedings are commenced by the division, the Administrative Complaint shall be in writing, signed by the Council Chairman and shall include:

a. the name and mailing address of the respondent, and the name and address of the agency employee or attorney designated to represent the division;

b. the division's file number or other reference number;

c. the name of the adjudicative proceeding;

d. the date that the notice of the division's action was mailed;

e. a statement indicating that a formal hearing will be conducted according to the provisions of Sections 63G-4-204 to 63G-4-209, except as otherwise indicated by Rule R728-409 in reference to time of response, as allowed under Section 63G-4-201(2)(vi);

f. a statement that the respondent shall file a responsive pleading within 30 days of the mailing date of the notice of agency action;

g. a statement of the time and place of the scheduled adjudicative proceeding, a statement indicating the purpose for which the adjudicative proceeding is to be held, and a statement indicating that a party who fails to attend or participate in the adjudicative proceeding may be held in default;

h. a statement of the legal authority and jurisdiction under which the administrative proceeding is to be maintained;

i. the name, title, mailing address, and telephone number of the presiding officer; and

j. a statement of the purpose of the adjudicative proceeding and, to the extent known by the presiding officer, the questions to be decided.

C. When the cause of action under Section 53-6-211 and Rule R728-409-3 is conviction of a felony, the following procedures shall apply:

1. The division shall send written notice to the peace officer stating that proceedings prior to revocation shall be limited to an information review of written documentation by the presiding officer, and that revocation is mandatory when the presiding officer determines that the peace officer has been convicted of a felony.

2. The notice shall state that within 15 days of the mailing date of the notice, the peace officer may request, in writing, an informal hearing before the presiding officer to present evidence that there was no felony conviction, or that the conviction has been overturned, reduced to a misdemeanor or expunged. This notice shall also state that if the peace officer does not so request, the presiding officer, and POST Council, will proceed on the documentation of conviction.

R728-409-9. Responsive Pleadings.

A. In all adjudicative proceedings, the respondent shall file and serve a written response signed by the respondent or his representative within 30 days of the mailing date of the notice of agency action, that shall include:

1. the division's file number or other reference number;

2. the name of the adjudicative proceeding;

3. a statement of the relief that the respondent seeks;

4. a statement of facts;

5. a statement summarizing the reasons that the relief requested should be granted.

B. The response shall be filed with the division.

C. The presiding officer or the division, pursuant to rule, may permit or require pleadings in addition to the notice of agency action and the response. All papers permitted or required to be filed shall be filed with the division.

R728-409-10. Consent Agreements.

A. The director may seek a consent agreement for the refusal, suspension or revocation of certification with the individual. The consent agreement will be delivered with the administrative complaint.

B. The individual will have 10 days from receiving the consent agreement to respond to the Director on the consent agreement.

C. If a consent agreement is not sought or is not reached, the procedure outlined in R728-409-9 above will proceed.

D. If a consent agreement has been signed by both parties, the adjudicative proceeding will conclude.

E. The consent agreement procedure will not extend the period of time for responsive pleading to the administrative complaint and notice of agency action.

R728-409-11. Scheduling the Adjudicative Proceeding - Hearing.

A. After the division has been served with the responsive pleading, notice of the location, date and time for the adjudicative hearing will be issued.

B. The adjudicative hearing will be held within a reasonable time after service of the responsive pleading unless a later scheduling is ordered by the presiding officer, or mutually agreed upon by the individual and the division.

C. When the cause for action is conviction of a felony, the presiding officer will conduct an informal review of the documentation within 30 days after the notice is mailed to the peace officer. If the peace officer timely requests a hearing, the presiding officer shall, within 30 days of the request, hold an

informal hearing pursuant to Section 53-6-211(6).

R728-409-12. Discovery and Subpoenas.

A. In formal adjudicative proceedings parties may conduct limited discovery. The respondent is entitled to a copy of all evidence the division intends to use in the adjudicative proceeding, and other relevant documents in the agency's possession which are necessary to support his or her claims or defenses subject, however, to the Government Records Access and Management Act, UCA 63G-2-101 et seq. Discovery does not extend to interrogatories, requests for admissions or depositions.

B. Subpoenas and other orders to secure the attendance of witnesses or the production of evidence for adjudicative proceedings shall be issued by the Division of Peace Officer Standards and Training pursuant to Section 53-6-210, or the presiding officer when requested by any party, or may be issued by the presiding officer on his own motion pursuant to Section 63G-4-205.

C. Discovery is prohibited in informal proceedings.

R728-409-13. Procedures for Adjudicative Proceedings - Hearing Procedures.

A. All formal adjudicative proceedings shall be conducted as follows:

1. The presiding officer shall regulate the course of the hearing to obtain full disclosure or relevant facts and to afford all the parties reasonable opportunity to present their positions.

2. On his own motion, or upon objection by a party, the presiding officer:

a. may exclude evidence that is irrelevant, immaterial, or unduly repetitious;

b. shall exclude evidence privileged in the courts of Utah;

c. may receive documentary evidence in the form of a copy or excerpt if the copy or excerpt contains all pertinent portions of the original document;

d. may take official notice of any facts that could be judicially noticed under the Utah Rules of Evidence, or the record of other proceedings before the agency, and of technical or scientific facts within the agency's specialized knowledge.

3. The presiding officer may not exclude evidence solely because it is hearsay.

4. The presiding officer shall afford to all parties the opportunity to present evidence, argue, respond, conduct cross-examination, and submit rebuttal evidence.

5. The presiding officer may give persons not a party to the adjudicative proceeding the opportunity to present oral or written statements at the hearing.

6. All testimony presented at the hearing, if offered as evidence, to be considered in reaching a decision on the merits, shall be given under oath.

7. The hearing shall be recorded at the division's expense.

8. Any party, at his own expense, may have a person approved by the division prepare a transcript of the hearing, subject to any restrictions that the division is permitted by statute to impose to protect confidential information disclosed at the hearing.

9. All hearings shall be open to all parties.

10. This rule does not preclude the presiding officer from taking appropriate measures necessary to preserve the integrity of the hearing.

11. The respondent has the right to counsel. Counsel will not be provided by the division and all costs for counsel will be the sole responsibility of the respondent.

12. Witnesses at adjudicative hearings may have counsel present. Counsel for witnesses will not have the right to cross-examine. Counsel will not be provided by the division and all costs for counsel will be the sole responsibility of the witness.

13. Witnesses before an adjudicative hearing may be excluded from adjudicative hearing while other witnesses are testifying.

14. The presiding officer may issue an order to admonish witnesses not to discuss their testimony with other witnesses appearing to testify or offer evidence to the presiding officer at the adjudicative hearing. This order shall remain in effect until all testimony and evidence has been presented at the hearing.

15. A person's failure to comply with the admonishment order may result in the refusal to consider testimony or evidence presented, if it is deemed that the testimony or evidence has been tainted through violation of the admonishment order.

B. When the cause for action is conviction of a felony and the peace officer requests an informal hearing, it shall be conducted, except as modified by these rules, pursuant to Section 63G-4-203.

C. If the presiding officer finds, by informal review or hearing, that the peace officer has been convicted of a felony, he shall recommend revocation of certification. If the presiding officer determines that there was not a conviction, he or she may recommend action other than revocation.

R728-409-14. Procedures for Adjudicative Proceedings - Intervention.

A. Any person not a party may file a signed, written petition to intervene in a formal adjudicative proceeding with the division. The person who wishes to intervene shall mail a copy of the petition to each party. The petition shall include:

1. the division's file number or other reference number;

2. the name of the proceeding;

3. a statement of facts demonstrating that the petitioner's legal rights or interests are substantially affected by the formal adjudicative proceeding, or that the petitioner qualifies as an intervenor under any provision of law; and

4. a statement of the relief that the petitioner seeks from the division.

B. The presiding officer shall grant a petition for intervention if he determines that:

1. the petitioner's legal interests may be substantially affected by the adjudicative proceeding; and

2. the interests of justice and the orderly and prompt conduct of the adjudicative proceedings will not be materially impaired by allowing the intervention.

C.1. Any order granting or denying a petition to intervene shall be in writing and sent by mail to the petitioner and each party.

2. An order permitting intervention may impose conditions on the intervenor's participation in the adjudicative proceeding that are necessary for a just, orderly, and prompt conduct of the adjudicative proceeding.

3. The presiding officer may impose the conditions at any time after the intervention.

R728-409-15. Default.

A. The presiding officer may enter an order of default against a party if:

1. a party fails to attend or participate in the hearing; or

2. the respondent in the proceeding fails to file the response required under Rule R728-409-9.

B. The order shall include a statement of the grounds for default and shall be mailed to all parties.

C. The defaulted party may seek to have the presiding officer set aside the default order in accordance with Rule 60(b) of the Utah Rules of Civil Procedure.

D. After issuing the order for default, the presiding officer shall conduct the necessary proceedings to complete the adjudicative proceeding without the participation of the party in default and shall determine all issues in the adjudicative proceeding, including those affecting the defaulting party.

R728-409-16. Procedures for Adjudicative Proceedings - Recommendations.

A. In adjudicative proceedings:

1. within a reasonable time after the hearing, or after the filing of any post-hearing papers permitted by the presiding officer, the presiding officer shall sign and issue a recommendation that includes:

a. a statement of the presiding officer's findings of fact based exclusively on the evidence of record in the adjudicative hearing or on facts officially noted;

b. a statement of the presiding officer's conclusions of law;

c. a statement of the reasons for the presiding officer's recommendation;

d. a statement of recommended agency action;

e. a notice of the right to apply for council review; and

f. the time limits applicable to any review.

2. The presiding officer may use his experience, technical competence, and specialized knowledge to evaluate the evidence.

3. No finding of fact that was contested may be based solely on hearsay evidence.

4. This section does not preclude the presiding officer from issuing interim orders to:

a. notify the parties of further hearings;

b. notify the parties of provisional rulings on a portion of the issues presented; or

c. otherwise provide for the fair and efficient conduct of the adjudicative hearing.

R728-409-17. Notice of Presiding Officer's Recommendation.

A. If the evidence against the individual does not support the conduct alleged in the administrative complaint with respect to Section 53-6-211(1), the presiding officer, hereafter referred to as Administrative Law Judge, will mail the parties a copy of the recommendation upon issuance of the recommendation.

B. If the Administrative Law Judge finds that the evidence against the individual does support the conduct alleged in the administrative complaint with respect to Section 53-6-211(1), the Administrative Law Judge will mail the parties a copy of the recommendation upon issuance of the recommendation.

C. The Administrative Law Judge may issue his/her recommendation to the parties by certified mail.

R728-409-18. Request for Review of Presiding Officer's Recommendation.

A. Except when revocation is recommended for conviction of a felony, the parties will have 15 days from the date of issuance of the Administrative Law Judge's recommendation to request a review of the recommendation before the council.

B. A request by any party for council review of the Administrative Law Judge's recommendation will be made in writing to the council and will contain all issues which the party wishes to raise. The request must specify whether the party is challenging the ALJ's recommended findings of fact, conclusions of law, and/or agency action. If the party is challenging the recommended findings or conclusions, the request must particularly set forth which findings and/or conclusions it wants reviewed and considered by the council. A copy of the request will be served upon all other parties.

C. The party seeking review shall provide transcripts, documents, and briefs to the council within 45 days after the filing of the notice requesting review. If the party is challenging the recommended findings of fact or conclusions of law, it must support its request with specific references and citations to the hearing record, and copies of the evidence received by the ALJ at the hearing, and which are relevant to the challenged recommendations. If the request is based on oral testimony presented at the hearing, the party shall provide, at its expense, a transcription of that relevant testimony. No party shall be permitted oral argument before the council unless a request for oral argument is filed with the Council within this same 45 day period.

D. The other party or parties shall have 30 days from the date the transcripts, documents and briefs are filed by the party seeking review, to file any response to the request for review. Any response may include additional transcripts or documents necessary for review.

E. The council shall whenever possible within a reasonable time from the filing of the notice requesting review to provide for a review hearing before the council.

F. Any review shall be based upon the administrative hearing record and briefs or other documents submitted by the parties. If a party has submitted portions of the hearing transcript, or other evidence admitted at the hearing, the council may, in its discretion, require the division to submit all or any other portion of the hearing transcript or evidence, and may continue the review hearing for that purpose. If necessary to make a determination, the council may also require the agency to subpoena any of the witnesses who testified in the evidentiary hearing, to appear at the next regularly scheduled council meeting, to answer questions from council members.

G. If oral argument is requested by either party, at the review hearing the parties will be permitted 20 minutes each to present oral argument on their respective positions identified in their written requests and briefs. Any testimony presented during oral argument, if offered as evidence to be considered in reaching a decision on the review, shall be given under oath.

H. If no oral argument is requested, the council shall, within a reasonable time after all documents, transcripts and briefs have been filed, issue to the director a review decision.

I. If oral argument has been received, the council, within a reasonable time after the review hearing, shall issue to the Director a review decision.

J. The council has the power to make a full review of the Administrative Law Judge's recommendation. This power includes, but is not limited to, the power to accept the ALJ's recommended findings of fact, conclusions of law, and/or agency action, or to reject all or a portion thereof, and render its own findings, conclusions and proposed action on the officer's certification.

K. Any periods of time designated in this rule for the filing of documents and pleadings, or for scheduling of hearings may be extended by the council for good cause.

R728-409-19. Council Action and Finding by Director.

A. Unless a consent order has been signed by all parties as per Rule R728-409-10 or a request for review is made to the Council as per Rule R728-409-18, and following the adjudicative proceeding or following a default by the individual as outlined in Rule R728-409-15:

1. The division representative will issue to the council the recommendation of the Administrative Law Judge. The council will review the Administrative Law Judge's recommendation and make a decision to concur or reject that recommendation, and to issue any alternative recommendation it may desire.

2. The council will issue and file its decision with the director.

R728-409-20. Director's Final Order.

A. In adjudicative proceedings:

1. After a majority of the council recommends to refuse, suspend or revoke respondent's peace officer, correctional officer, reserve/auxiliary officer, or special function officer certification, or to take no action against respondent, the director shall prepare and issue a final order within 30 days outlining the council's decision.

2. The final order will include information on the appeal

process as outlined in administrative rules R728-409-21, 22, 23.

3. The director shall, upon issuance, serve a copy of the final order on the respondent by certified mail and shall mail a copy to the employing agency.

R728-409-21. Division Review - Reconsideration.

A. Except when revocation is recommended for conviction of a felony within ten days after the date that the director's final order is issued, any party may file a written request for reconsideration, stating the specific grounds upon which relief is requested. The filing of the request is not a prerequisite for seeking judicial review of the order.

B. The request for reconsideration shall be filed with the division by the person making the request.

C.1. The director, or a person designated for that purpose, shall issue a written order granting the request or denying the request.

2. If the director or the person designated for that purpose does not issue an order within 20 days after the filing of the request, the request for rehearing shall be considered to be denied.

R728-409-22. Judicial Review - Exhaustion of Administrative Remedies.

A. A party aggrieved may obtain judicial review of final agency action only after exhausting all administrative remedies available, except that:

1. The court may relieve a party seeking judicial review of the requirement to exhaust any or all administrative remedies if:

a. the administrative remedies are inadequate; or

b. exhaustion of remedies would result in irreparable harm disproportionate to the public benefit derived from requiring exhaustion.

B.1. A party shall file a petition for judicial review of final agency action within 30 days after the date that the order constituting the final agency action is issued.

2. The petition shall name the agency and all other appropriate parties as respondents and shall meet the form requirements specified in Chapter 4 of Title 63G.

R728-409-23. Judicial Review - Adjudicative Proceedings.

A. At the conclusion of formal adjudicative proceedings, the Utah Court of Appeals has jurisdiction to review the director's final order.

B. To seek judicial review of the director's final order, the petitioner shall file a petition for review of agency action in the form required by the Rules of the Utah Court of Appeals.

1. The Rules of the Utah Court of Appeals govern all additional filings and proceedings in the Utah Court of Appeals.

C. The contents, transmittal, and filing of the agency's record for judicial review of formal adjudicative proceedings are governed by the Rules of the Utah Court of Appeals, except that:

1. all parties to the review proceedings may stipulate to shorten, summarize, or organize the record;

2. the Utah Court of Appeals may tax the cost of preparing transcripts and copies for the record:

a. against a party who unreasonably refuses to stipulate to shorten, summarize, or organize the record; or

b. according to any other provision of law.

c. The scope of judicial review by the Utah Court of Appeals is controlled by Section 63G-4-16(4). Relief granted by the Utah Court of Appeals is controlled by Section 63G-4-404.

D. If peace officer certification is revoked for conviction of a felony after an informal hearing, the district courts have jurisdiction to review the final order pursuant to Sections 63G-4-401 and 63G-4-402.

R728-409-24. Judicial Review - Stay and Other Temporary Remedies Pending Final Disposition.

A. The director may grant a stay of the final order or other temporary remedy during the pendency of judicial review, according to the division's rules.

B. Parties shall petition the director for a stay or other temporary remedies unless extraordinary circumstances require immediate judicial intervention.

C. If the director denies a stay or denies other temporary remedies requested by a party, the director's order of denial shall be mailed to all parties and shall specify the reasons why the stay or other temporary remedy was not granted.

D. If the director has denied a stay or other temporary remedy to protect the public health, safety, or welfare against a substantial threat, the court may not grant a stay or other temporary remedy unless it finds that:

1. the director violated the division's rules in denying the stay; or

2.a. the party seeking judicial review is likely to prevail on the merits when the court finally disposes of the matter;

b. the party seeking judicial review will suffer irreparable injury without immediate relief;

c. granting relief to the party seeking review will not substantially harm other parties to the proceedings; and

d. the threat to the public health, safety, or welfare relied upon by the agency is not sufficiently serious to justify the director's action under the circumstances.

R728-409-25. Emergency Adjudicative Proceedings.

A. The division may issue an order on an emergency basis without complying with the requirements of this chapter if:

1. the facts known by the division or presented to the division show that an immediate and significant danger to the public health, safety, or welfare exists; and

2. the threat requires immediate action by the division.

B. In issuing an emergency order, the division shall:

1. limit the order to require only the action necessary to prevent or avoid the danger to the public health, safety, or welfare;

2. issue promptly a written order, effective immediately, that includes a brief statement of findings of fact, conclusions of law, and reasons for the division's utilization of an emergency adjudicative proceeding; and

3. give immediate notice to the person who is required to comply with the order.

C. Upon the commencement of an emergency adjudicative proceeding, the division shall commence a formal adjudicative proceeding in accordance with the other provisions of this rule in order not to infringe upon any legal right or interest of any party.

R728-409-26. Civil Enforcement.

A.1. In addition to other remedies provided by law, an division may seek enforcement of an order by seeking civil enforcement in the district courts.

2. The action seeking civil enforcement of the division's order must name, as defendants, each alleged violator against whom the agency seeks to obtain civil enforcement.

3. Venue for an action seeking civil enforcement of the division's order shall be determined by the requirements of the Utah Rules of Civil Procedure.

4. The action may request, and the court may grant, any of the following:

a. declaratory relief;

b. temporary or permanent injunctive relief;

c. any other civil remedy provided by law; or

d. any combination of the foregoing.

B.1. Any person whose interests are directly impaired or threatened by the failure of the division to enforce the division's

order may timely file a complaint seeking civil enforcement of that order, but the action may not be commenced;

a. until at least 30 days after the plaintiff has given notice of his intent to seek civil enforcement of the alleged violation to the director, the attorney general, and to each alleged violator against whom the petitioner seeks civil enforcement;

b. if the division has filed and is diligently prosecuting a complaint seeking civil enforcement of the same order against the same or a similarly situated defendant; or

c. if a petition for judicial review of the same order has been filed and is pending in court.

2. The complaint seeking civil enforcement of the division's order must name, as defendants, the division, and each alleged violator against whom the plaintiff seeks civil enforcement.

3. Except to the extent expressly authorized by statute, a complaint seeking civil enforcement of the division's order may not request, and the court may not grant, any monetary payment apart from taxable costs.

C. In a proceeding for civil enforcement of the division's order, in addition to any other defenses allowed by law, a defendant may defend on the ground that:

1. the order sought to be enforced was issued by the division without jurisdiction to issue the order;

2. the order does not apply to the defendant;

3. the defendant has not violated the order; or

4. the defendant violated the order but has subsequently complied.

D. Decisions on complaints seeking civil enforcement of the division's order are reviewable in the same manner as other civil cases.

R728-409-27. Declaratory Orders.

A. Any person may file a request for division actions, requesting that the division issue a declaratory order determining the applicability of a statute, rule, or order within the primary jurisdiction of the division to specified circumstances.

B. The division shall not issue a declaratory order if:

1. the request is one of a class of circumstances that the division has by rule defined as being exempt from declaratory orders; or

2. the person requesting the declaratory order participated in an adjudicative proceeding concerning the same issue within 12 months of the date of the present request.

a. The division may issue a declaratory order that would substantially prejudice the rights of a person who would be a necessary party, only if that person consents in writing to the determination of the matter by a declaratory proceeding.

C. Persons may intervene in declaratory proceedings if:

1. they meet the requirements of Rule R728-409-12; and

2. they file timely petitions for intervention according to division rules.

D. After receipt of a petition for a declaratory order, the division may issue a written order:

1. declaring the applicability of the statute, rule, or order in question to the specified circumstances;

2. setting the matter for adjudicative proceedings;

3. agreeing to issue a declaratory order within a specified time; or

4. declining to issue a declaratory order and stating the reasons for its action.

E. A declaratory order shall contain:

1. the names of all parties to the proceeding on which it is based;

2. the particular facts on which it is based; and

3. the reasons for its conclusion.

F. A copy of all orders issued in response to a request for a declaratory proceeding shall be mailed promptly to the petitioner and any other parties.

G. A declaratory order has the same status and binding effect as any other order issued in an adjudicative proceeding.

H. Unless the petitioner and the division agree in writing to an extension, if the division has not issued a declaratory order within 60 days after receipt of the request for a declaratory order, the petition is denied.

R728-409-28. Reconsideration Based on Mistake, Fraud, or Newly Discovered Evidence.

A. Reconsideration of a decision by POST Council, and a new opportunity to be heard, may be granted for any of the following reasons:

1. The decision of POST Council was based on a mistake of law or fact;

2. There was fraud, misrepresentation or misconduct in the adjudicative proceeding; or

3. There is newly discovered material evidence which the party could not, with reasonable diligence, have discovered and produced during the adjudicative proceedings.

B. At any time after a final order is issued, either party may request reconsideration under this rule, by complying with the procedures set forth in R728-409-18(B) through (K).

C. Reconsideration by POST Council pursuant to this rule shall be a two-step process:

1. A written request and information outlining the reasons and justification for making the request shall be submitted to a special subcommittee consisting of the presidents of the Chiefs of Police Association and the Sheriffs Association, or their designees, and another POST Council member designated by the Chairman, which shall review the request and information provided and decide whether the party seeking consideration has, by a preponderance of the evidence, established that the prior decision was based on one or more of the grounds set forth above. The subcommittee will notify the director of its decision, who will then send out a notice of that decision to both parties.

2. If the subcommittee decides step one in the affirmative, the matter will be scheduled for consideration by POST Council at the next regularly scheduled meeting. POST shall give reasonable notice to the parties of the date, time and location of the meeting. POST Council shall reconsider the correct, clarified or new evidence, and render a decision based on the written request and information and oral argument, (if such was timely requested.) Any oral testimony presented to the council shall be under oath, and subject to the penalty of perjury.

3. POST Council's decision shall be communicated to the Director, who shall then notify the parties thereof, in writing and consistent with R728-409-20. The parties will then have the same appeal rights set forth in R728-409-22, 409-23, and 409-24.

D. The definitions set forth in Utah Rules of Civil Procedures, Rules 59 and 60, and interpretive case law thereon, shall apply to determinations under this rule.

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R746. Public Service Commission, Administration.
R746-349. Competitive Entry and Reporting Requirements.
R746-349-1. Applicability.

These rules shall be applicable to each telecommunications corporation applying to be a provider of local exchange services or other public telecommunications services in all or part of the service territory of an incumbent telephone corporation.

R746-349-2. Definitions.

As used in this rule:

A. "CLEC" means a public telecommunications service provider that did not hold a certificate to provide public telecommunications service as of May 1, 1995.

B. "Division" means the Division of Public Utilities.

C. "GAAP" means generally accepted accounting principles.

D. "ILEC" means a telephone corporation which held a certificate to provide public teleocmmunications service as of May 1, 1995.

R746-349-3. Filing Requirements.

A. In addition to any other requirements of the Commission or of Title 63G, Chapter 4 and pursuant to 54-8b-2.1, each applicant for a certificate shall file, in addition to its application:

1. testimony and exhibits in support of the company's technical, financial, and managerial abilities to provide the telecommunications services applied for and a showing that the granting of a certificate is in the public interest. Informational requirements made elsewhere in these rules can be included in testimony and exhibits;

2. proof of a bond in the amount of $100,000. This bond is to provide security for customer deposits or other liabilities to telecommunications customers of the telecommunications corporation or liabilities to the Utah Public Telecommunications Service Support Fund, 54-8b-15, or the Hearing and Speech Impaired Fund, 54-8b-10. An applicant may request a waiver of this requirement from the Commission if it can show that adequate provisions exist to protect customer deposits or other customer and state fund liabilities;

3. a statement as to whether the telecommunications corporation intends to construct its own facilities or acquire use of facilities from other than the incumbent local exchange carrier, or whether it intends to resell an incumbent local exchange carrier's and other telecommunications corporation's services;

4. a statement regarding the services to be offered including:

a. which classes of customer the applicant intends to serve,

b. the locations where the applicant intends to provide service,

c. the types of services to be offered;

5. a statement explaining how the applicant will provide access to ordinary intralata and interlata message toll calling, operator services, directory assistance, directory listings and emergency services such as 911 and E911;

6. an implementation schedule pursuant to 47 U.S.C. 252(c)(3) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 which shall include the date local exchange service for residential and business customers will begin;

7. summaries of the professional experience and education of all managerial personnel who will have responsibilities for the applicant's proposed Utah operations;

8. an organization chart listing all the applicant's employees currently working or that plan to be working in or for Utah operations and their job titles;

9. a chart of accounts that includes account numbers, names and brief descriptions;

10. financial statements that at a minimum include:

a. the most recent balance sheet, income statement and cash flow statement and any accompanying notes, prepared according to GAAP,

b. a letter from management attesting to their accuracy, integrity and objectivity, and that the statements were prepared in accordance with GAAP,

c. if the applicant is a start-up company, a balance sheet following the above principles must be filed,

d. if the applicant is a subsidiary of another corporation, financial statements following the above principles must also be filed for the parent corporation;

11. financial statements to demonstrate sufficient financial ability on the part of the applicant. At a minimum, the applicant's statements must show:

a. positive net worth for the applicant CLEC,

b. sufficient projected and verifiable cash flow to meet cash needs as shown in a five-year projection of expected operations,

c. proof of bond as specified in R746-349-3(A)(2);

12. a five-year projection of expected operations including the following:

a. proforma income statements and proforma cash flow statements,

b. when applicable, a technical description of the types of technology to be deployed in Utah including types of switches and transmission facilities,

c. when applicable, detailed maps of proposed locations of facilities including a description of the specific facilities and services to be deployed at each location;

13. an implementation schedule pursuant to 47 U.S.C. 252(c)(3) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 which shall include the date local exchange service for residential and business customers will begin;

14. evidence of sufficient managerial and technical ability to provide the public telecommunications services contemplated by the application must be demonstrated by a showing of at least the following:

a. proof of certification in other jurisdictions; and that service is currently being offered in other jurisdictions by the applicant,

b. or the corporation has had at least two years of recent experience in providing telecommunications services related to the type of services the CLEC intends to provide;

15. a statement as to why entry by the applicant is in the public interest;

16. proof of authority to conduct business in Utah;

17. a statement regarding complaints or investigations of unauthorized switching, otherwise known as slamming, or other illegal activities of the applicant or any of its affiliates in any jurisdiction. This statement should include the following:

a. sanctions imposed against the applicant for any of these activities,

b. copies of any written documents related to these complaints, investigations, or sanctions, including: orders or other materials from the FCC or state commissions, any courts, or other government bodies, and any complaint letters or other documents from any non-government entities or persons,

c. the applicant's responses to any of these issues;

18. statement about the applicant's written policies regarding the solicitation of new customers and a description of efforts made by the applicant's to prevent unauthorized switching of Utah local service by the applicant, its employees or its agents.

B. Additional questions relating to the technical, financial, and managerial capabilities of the applicant and public interest issues may be submitted by the Division or other parties in accordance with R746-100-8, Discovery.

R746-349-4. Reporting Requirements.

A. When a telecommunications corporation files a request for negotiation with another telecommunications corporation for interconnection, unbundling or resale, the requesting telecommunications corporation shall file a copy of the request with the Commission.

B. Each certificated telecommunications corporation shall file an updated chart of accounts by March 31, of each year.

C. Each certificated telecommunications corporation with facilities located in Utah shall maintain network route maps that include all areas where the corporation is providing or offering to provide service in Utah. These maps will, at a minimum, include central office locations, types of switches, hub locations, ring configurations, and facility routes, accompanied by detailed written explanations. These route maps will be provided to the Division or the Commission upon request.

D. Each certificated telecommunications corporation shall file a map with the Division that identifies the areas within the state where the corporation is offering service. The map should separately identify areas being served primarily through resale and by facilities owned by the carrier. This map shall be updated within 10 days after changes to the service territory occur. The map shall be made available for public inspection.

E. At least five days before offering any telecommunications service through pricing flexibility, a telecommunications corporation shall file with the Commission its proposed price list or if ordered by the Commission, the prices, terms, and conditions of a competitive contract. Each filing may be made electronically and shall:

1. describe the public telecommunications services being offered;

2. set forth the terms and conditions upon which the public telecommunications service is being offered;

3. list the prices to be charged for the telecommunications service or the basis on which the service will be priced; and

4. be made available to the public through the Division.

F. The certificated CLEC shall file an annual report with the Division on or before March 31 for the preceding year, unless the CLEC requests and obtains an extension from the Commission. The annual report shall contain the following information, unless specific forms are provided by the Division:

1. annual revenues from operations attributable to Utah by major service categories. That information would be provided on a "Total Utah" and "Utah Intrastate" basis. "Total Utah" will consist of the total of interstate and intrastate revenues. "Utah Intrastate" will reflect only revenues derived from intrastate tariffs, price lists, or contracts. Both Total Utah and Utah Intrastate revenues shall be reported according to at least the following classes of service:

a. private line and special access,

b. business local exchange,

c. residential local exchange,

d. measured interexchange,

e. vertical services,

f. business local exchange, residential local exchange and vertical service revenue will be reported by geographic area, to the extent feasible;

2. annual expenses and estimated taxes attributed to operations in Utah;

3. year-end balances by account for property, plant, equipment, annual depreciation, and accumulated depreciation for telecommunications investment in Utah. The actual depreciation rates which were applied in developing the annual and accumulated depreciation figures shall also be shown;

4. financial statements prepared in accordance with GAAP. These financial statements shall, at a minimum, include an income statement, balance sheet and statement of cash flows and include a letter from management attesting to their accuracy, integrity and objectivity and that the statements follow GAAP;

5. list of services offered to customers and the geographic areas in which those services are offered. This list shall be current and shall be updated whenever a new service is offered or a new area is served;

6. number of access lines in service by geographic area, segregated between business and residential customers;

7. number of messages and minutes of services for measured services billed to end users;

8. list of officers and responsible contact personnel updated annually;

9. a report of gross revenue on a form supplied by the Division. This report shall be used in calculating the Public Utility Regulation Fee owed by the CLEC.

G. The annual report and the report of gross revenue filed by a CLEC may be considered protected documents under the Government Records Access Management Act, if the CLEC complies with the requirements of that act.

R746-349-5. Change of Service Provider.

A. All requests for termination of local exchange or intrastate toll service from an existing telecommunications corporation and subsequent transfer to a new carrier must be in compliance with 47 CFR 64.1100 and 1150, 1996, incorporated by this reference.

B. A telecommunications provider will be held liable for both the unauthorized termination of a customer's service with an existing carrier and the subsequent unauthorized transfer to the providers's own service. Telecommunications providers are responsible for unauthorized service terminations and transfers resulting from the actions of their agents. A carrier that engages in the unauthorized activity shall restore the customer's service to the original carrier without charge to the customer. Customer charges during the unauthorized period shall be the lesser of the charges charged by the original provider or the unauthorized provider. Violators may be punished pursuant to 54-7-25 through 54-7-28. The telecommunications provider responsible for the unauthorized transfer shall reimburse the customer or the original carrier for reestablishing service to the customer at the applicable tariff, price list or contract rate of the original carrier.

R746-349-6. CLEC and ILEC Subject to Pricing Flexibility Exemptions.

A. Unless otherwise ordered by the Commission either in the CLEC's certificate proceeding or in a proceeding instituted by an ILEC, the Commission or other party, a CLEC or ILEC subject to pricing flexibility pursuant to 54-8b-2.3 is exempt from the following statues and rules. All other rules of the Commission and all other duties of public utilities not specifically exempted by these rules or by a Commission order apply to a CLEC or ILEC subject to pricing flexibility pursuant to 54-8b-2.3. All powers of the Commission not specifically altered by these rules apply to a CLEC or ILEC subject to pricing flexibility pursuant to 54-8b-2.3.

1. Exemptions from Title 54:

54-3-8, 54-3-19 -- Prohibitions of discrimination

54-7-12 -- Rate increases or decreases

54-4-21 -- Establishment of property values

54-4-24 -- Depreciation rates

54-4-26 -- Approval of expenditures

2. Exemptions from Commission rules:

R746-340-2 (D) -- Uniform System of Accounts (47 CFR 32)

R746-340-2 (E) (1) -- Tariff filings required

R746-340-2 (E) (2) -- Exchange Maps

R746-34l -- Lifeline (CLEC with ETC status)

R746-344 -- Rate case filing requirements

R746-401 -- Reporting of construction, acquisition and disposition of assets

R746-405 -- Tariff formats

R746-600 -- Accounting for post-retirement benefits

3. The CLEC will be exempted from the Lifeline rule, R746-341, only until the Commission establishes Lifeline rules that may include the CLEC or until the CLEC begins to provide residential local exchange service. The ILEC will not be exempted from the R746-341. Lifeline Rule.

R746-349-7. Informal Adjudication of Certain CLEC Merger and Acquisition Transactions.

A. A CLEC may obtain approval of a transaction subject to 54-4-28 (merger, consolidation or combination), 54-4-29 (acquiring voting stock or securities), and 54-4-30 (acquiring properties) in the following manner. Such adjudicative proceedings are designated as informal adjudicative proceedings pursuant to 63G-4-203 unless converted to formal adjudicative proceedings.

1. The CLEC shall submit an application which includes, but is not limited to:

a. identification that it is not an ILEC,

b. identification that it seeks approval of the application pursuant to this rule,

c. a reasonably detailed description of the transaction for which approval is sought,

d. a copy of any filings required by the Federal Communications Commission or any other state utility regulatory agency in connection with the transaction, and

e. copies of any notices, correspondence or orders from any federal agency or any other state utility regulatory agency reviewing the transaction which is the subject of the application.

2. Upon receipt of the CLEC's application, the Commission will issue a public notice stating that the application has been filed, that any interested party may submit comments on the application within 14 days following public notice and may submit reply comments within 21 days following public notice, and provide notice of the date and time for a hearing on the application, which shall be scheduled to occur within 30 days following the issuance of the public notice.

3. If no objection to the proposed transaction is submitted in any filed comments or reply comments, the Commission will presume that approval of the transaction is in the public interest and use the information contained in the application and accompanying documents as evidence to support a Commission order.

4. The Commission may convert the proceeding on an application into a formal adjudicative proceeding based upon an objection made in comments or reply comments, evidence submitted, other reasonable basis, which may include failure of the transaction to qualify for streamlined treatment from a federal agency, or its own motion and may continue the hearing on the application as needed.

R746-349-8. CLEC's Obligations with Respect to Provision of Services.

A. The CLEC agrees to provide service within specified geographic areas upon reasonable request and subject to the following conditions:

1. the CLEC's obligation to furnish service to customers is dependent on the availability of suitable facilities on its network at company-designated locations as identified in its annual network route map filing;

2. the CLEC will only be responsible for the installation, operation, and maintenance of services that it provides;

3. the CLEC will furnish service if it is able to obtain, retain and maintain suitable access rights and facilities, without unreasonable expense, and to provide for the installation of those facilities required incident to the furnishing and maintenance of that service;

4. at its option, the CLEC may require payment of construction or line-extension charges by the customer ordering telephone service. Those charges will be in addition to the normal rates and charges applicable to the service being provided;

5. when potential customers are so located that it is necessary or desirable to use private or government right-of-way to furnish service, those potential customers may be required, at the CLEC's option, to provide or pay the cost of providing the right-of-way in addition to any other charges;

6. all construction of facilities will be undertaken at the discretion of the CLEC, consistent with budgetary responsibilities and consideration for the impact on the CLEC's other customers and contractual responsibilities.

R746-349-9. Pricing Flexibility Revocation, Conditions, or Restrictions.

A. The Commission may initiate or any interested person may request agency action for the Commission to initiate, a proceeding to revoke or impose conditions or restrictions on a telecommunications corporation's pricing flexibility as authorized by 54-8b-2.3(8).

1. A request to initiate any proceeding pursuant to this rule shall:

a. Identify the telecommunications corporation or corporations and the public telecommunications service or services whose pricing flexibility the requesting party believes may be subject to revocation or imposition of conditions or restrictions;

b. The basis for the belief; and

c. The relief sought.

2. A request to initiate a proceeding shall be served upon the telecommunications corporation or corporations the requesting party has identified in the request, the Division and the Committee.

3. The telecommunications corporation or corporations against whom the request is directed and any other interested party may respond to the request in accordance with the Commission's procedural rules and standard practices.

4. If a proceeding is initiated, an interested party may request to review confidential information retained by the Commission or the Division that is reasonably related to any potential grounds for revocation, conditioning or restriction under section 54-8b-2.3(8). The party shall certify that it seeks to review that confidential information solely for purposes of determining whether a sufficient factual basis exists to and that the confidential information will not be used for any other purpose or disclosed to any persons who may be able to use the confidential information in business decisions to any party's competitive advantage. Prior to disclosing any confidential information, the Commission or the Division:

a. Shall require the requesting party to execute an appropriate nondisclosure agreement;

b. Shall notify any telecommunications corporation whose company-specific information would be disclosed of the request at least 14 calendar days before the planned date for disclosing such information; and

c. Shall not disclose the company-specific information of any telecommunications corporation that objects to disclosure of its confidential information, if such telecommunications corporation files with the Commission or Division and serves upon other parties an objection to the disclosure of such confidential information within 10 calendar days after receiving the notice required by 349-9.4.b. The Commission shall conduct a hearing at which the telecommunications corporation whose confidential information may be disclosed is given the opportunity to present its objections or request terms and conditions for disclosure and during which other parties may respond to the telecommunications corporation whose confidential information is sought to be disclosed.

5. In any proceeding conducted, the Commission will enter an appropriate protective order to ensure protection for

confidential, proprietary, and competitively sensitive information that has been or is provided to the Commission, the Division, the Committee, or another party to the proceeding.

6. Nothing in this rule limits the ability of any party or the Commission to raise or address any issue in any other proceeding or as permitted by law.

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R746. Public Service Commission, Administration.
R746-360. Universal Public Telecommunications Service Support Fund.
R746-360-1. General Provisions.

A. Authorization -- Section 54-8b-15 authorizes the Commission to establish an expendable trust fund, known as the Universal Public Telecommunications Service Support Fund, the "universal service fund," "USF" or the "fund," to promote equitable cost recovery and universal service by ensuring that customers have access to basic telecommunications service at just, reasonable and affordable rates, consistent with the Telecommunications Act of 1996.

B. Purpose -- The purposes of these rules are:

1. to govern the methods, practices and procedures by which:

a. the USF is created, maintained, and funded by end-user surcharges applied to retail rates;

b. funds are collected for and disbursed from the USF to qualifying telecommunications corporations so that they will provide basic telecommunications service at just, reasonable and affordable rates; and,

2. to govern the relationship between the fund and the trust fund established under 54-8b-12, and establish the mechanism for the phase-out and expiration of the latter fund.

C. Application of the Rules -- The rules apply to all retail providers that provide intrastate public telecommunications services.

R746-360-2. Definitions.

A. Affordable Base Rate (ABR) -- means the monthly per line retail rates, charges or fees for basic telecommunications service which the Commission determines to be just, reasonable, and affordable for a designated support area. The Affordable Base Rate shall be established by the Commission. The Affordable Base Rate does not include the applicable USF retail surcharge, municipal franchise fees, taxes, and other incidental surcharges.

B. Average Revenue Per Line -- means the average revenue for each access line computed by dividing the sum of all revenue derived from a telecommunications corporation's provision of public telecommunications services, including, but not limited to, revenues received from the provision of services in both the interstate and intrastate jurisdictions, whether designated "retail," "wholesale," or some other categorization, all revenues derived from providing network elements, services, functionalities, etc. required under the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996, Pub. L. 104-104,110 Stat.56 or the Utah Telecommunications Reform Act, Laws of Utah 1995, Chapter 269, all support funds received from the Federal Universal Service Support Fund, and each and every other revenue source or support or funding mechanism used to assist in recovering the costs of providing public telecommunications services in a designated support area by that telecommunications corporation's number of access lines in the designated support area.

C. Basic Telecommunications Service -- means a local exchange service consisting of access to the public switched network; touch-tone, or its functional equivalent; local flat-rated, unlimited usage, exclusive of extended area service; single-party service with telephone number listed free in directories that are received free; access to operator services; access to directory assistance, lifeline and telephone relay assistance; access to 911 and E911 emergency services; access to long-distance carriers; access to toll limitation services; and other services as may be determined by the Commission.

D. Designated Support Area -- means the geographic area used to determine USF support distributions. A designated support area, or "support area," need not be the same as a USF proxy model's geographic unit. The Commission will determine the appropriate designated support areas for determining USF support requirements. Unless otherwise specified by the Commission, the designated support area for a rate-of-return regulated Incumbent telephone corporation shall be its entire certificated service territory located in the State of Utah.

E. Facilities-Based Provider -- means a telecommunications corporation that uses its own facilities, a combination of its own facilities and essential facilities or unbundled network elements obtained from another telecommunications corporation, or a telecommunications corporation which solely uses essential facilities or unbundled network elements obtained from another telecommunications corporation to provide public telecommunications services.

F. Geographic Unit -- means the geographic area used by a USF proxy cost model for calculating costs of public telecommunications services. The Commission will determine the appropriate geographic area to be used in determining public telecommunications service costs.

G. Net Fund Distributions -- means the difference between the gross fund distribution to which a qualifying telecommunications corporation is entitled and the gross fund surcharge revenues collected by that company, when the former amount is greater than the latter amount.

H. Net Fund Contributions -- means the difference between the gross fund distribution to which a qualifying telecommunications corporation is entitled and the gross fund surcharge revenues generated by that company, when the latter amount is greater than the former amount.

I. Trust Fund -- means the Trust Fund established by 54-8b-12.

J. USF Proxy Model Costs -- means the total, jurisdictionally unseparated, cost estimate for public telecommunications services, in a geographic unit, based on the forward-looking, economic cost proxy model(s) chosen by the Commission. The level of geographic cost disaggregation to be used for purposes of assessing the need for and the level of USF support within a geographic unit will be determined by the Commission. These models shall be provided by the Commission by January 2, 2001.

K. Universal Service Fund (USF or fund) -- means the Universal Public Telecommunications Service Support Fund established by 54-8b-15 and set forth by this rule.

R746-360-3. Duties of Administrator.

A. Selection of Administrator -- The Division of Public Utilities will be the fund administrator. If the Division is unable to fulfill that responsibility, the administrator, who must be a neutral third party, unaffiliated with any fund participant, shall be selected by the Commission.

B. Cost of Administration -- The cost of administration shall be borne by the fund; unless administered by a state agency.

C. Access to Books -- Upon reasonable notice, the administrator shall have access to the books of account of all telecommunications corporations and retail providers, which shall be used to verify the intrastate retail revenue assessed in an end-user surcharge, to confirm the level of eligibility for USF support and to ensure compliance with this rule.

D. Maintenance of Records -- The administrator shall maintain the records necessary for the operation of the USF and this rule.

E. Report Forms -- The administrator shall develop report forms to be used by telecommunications corporations and retail providers to effectuate the provisions of this rule and the USF. An officer of the telecommunications corporation or retail provider shall attest to and sign the reports to the administrator.

F. Administrator Reports -- The administrator shall file reports with the Commission containing information on the average revenue per line calculations, projections of future USF

needs, analyses of the end-user surcharges and Affordable Base Rates, and recommendations for calculating them for the following 12-month period. The report shall include recommendations for changes in determining basic telecommunications service, designated support areas, geographic units, USF proxy cost models and ways to improve fund collections and distributions.

G. Periodic Review -- The administrator, under the direction of the Commission, shall perform a periodic review of fund recipients to verify eligibility for future support and to verify compliance with all applicable state and federal laws and regulations.

H. Proprietary Information -- Information received by the administrator which has been determined by the Commission to be proprietary shall be treated in conformance with Commission practices.

I. Information Requested -- Information requested by the administrator which is required to assure a complete review shall be provided within 45 days of the request. Failure to provide information within the allotted time period may be a basis for withdrawal of future support from the USF or other lawful penalties to be applied.

R746-360-4. Application of Fund Surcharges to Customer Billings.

A. Commencement of Surcharge Assessments -- Commencing June 1, 1998, end-user surcharges shall be the source of revenues to support the fund. Surcharges will be applied to intrastate retail rates, and shall not apply to wholesale services.

B. Surcharge Based on a Uniform Percentage of Retail Rates -- The retail surcharge shall be a uniform percentage rate, determined and reviewed annually by the Commission and billed and collected by all retail providers.

C. Surcharge -- The surcharge to be assessed shall equal 0.45 percent of billed intrastate retail rates.

R746-360-5. Fund Remittances and Disbursements.

A. Remitting Surcharge Revenues --

1. Telecommunications corporations, not eligible for USF support funds, providing telecommunications services subject to USF surcharges shall collect and remit surcharge revenues to the Commission within 45 days after the end of each month.

2. Telecommunications corporations eligible for USF support funds shall make remittances as follows:

a. Prior to the end of each month, the fund administrator shall inform each qualifying telecommunications corporation of the estimated amount of support that it will be eligible to receive from the USF for that month.

b. Net fund contributions shall be remitted to the Commission within 45 calendar days after the end of each month. If the net amount owed is not received by that date, remedies, including withholding future support from the USF, may apply.

3. The Commission will forward remitted revenues to the Utah State Treasurer's Office for deposit in a USF account.

B. Distribution of Funds -- Net Fund distributions to qualifying telecommunications corporations for a given month shall be made 60 days after the end of that month, unless withheld for failure to maintain qualification or failure to comply with Commission orders or rules.

R746-360-6. Eligibility for Fund Distributions.

A. Qualification --

1. To qualify to receive USF support funds, a telecommunications corporation shall be designated an "eligible telecommunications carrier," pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 214(e), and shall be in compliance with Commission orders and rules. Each telecommunications corporation receiving support shall use that support only to provide basic telecommunications service and any other services or purposes approved by the Commission.

2. Additional qualification criteria for Incumbent telephone corporations - In addition to the qualification criteria of R746-360-6A.1.,

a. Non-rate-of-return Incumbent telephone corporations, except Incumbent telephone corporations subject to pricing flexibility pursuant to 54-8b-2.3 shall make Commission approved, aggregate rate reductions for public telecommunications services, provided in the State of Utah, equal to each incremental increase in USF distribution amounts received after December 1, 1999.

b. Rate-of-return Incumbent telephone corporations shall complete a Commission review of their revenue requirement and public telecommunications services' rate structure prior to any change in their USF distribution which differs from a prior USF distribution, beginning with the USF distribution for December, 1999.

B. Rate Ceiling -- To be eligible, a telecommunications corporation may not charge retail rates in excess of the Commission determined Affordable Base Rates for basic telecommunications service or vary from the terms and conditions determined by the Commission for other telecommunications services for which it receives Universal Service Fund support.

C. Lifeline Requirement -- A telecommunications corporation may qualify to receive distributions from the fund only if it offers Lifeline service on terms and conditions prescribed by the Commission.

D. Exclusion of Resale Providers -- Only facilities-based providers, will be eligible to receive support from the fund. Where service is provided through one telecommunications corporation's resale of another telecommunications corporation's service, support may be received by the latter only.

R746-360-7. Calculation of Fund Distributions in Non-rate-of-Return Regulated Incumbent Telephone Corporation Territories.

A. Use of Proxy Cost Models -- The USF proxy cost model(s) selected by the Commission and average revenue per line will be used to determine fund distributions within designated support areas.

B. Use of USF Funds --Telecommunications corporations shall use USF funds to support each primary residential line in active service which it furnishes in each designated area.

C. Determination of Support Amounts --

1. Incumbent telephone corporation - Monies from the fund will equal the numerical difference between USF proxy model cost estimates of costs to provide residential Basic Telecommunications Service in the designated support area and the product of the Incumbent telephone corporation's Average Revenue per line, for the designated support area, times the number of Incumbent telephone corporation's active residential access lines in the designated support area.

2. Telecommunications corporations other than Incumbent telephone corporations - Monies from the fund will equal the Incumbent telephone corporation's average residential access line support amount for the respective designated support area, determined by dividing the Incumbent telephone corporation's USF monies for the designated support area by the Incumbent telephone corporation's active residential access lines in the designated support area, times the eligible telecommunications corporation's number of active residential access lines.

D. Lifeline Support -- Eligible telecommunications corporations shall receive additional USF funds to recover any discount granted to lifeline customers, participating in a Commission approved Lifeline program, that is not recovered from federal lifeline support mechanisms.

E. Exemptions -- Telecommunications corporations may petition to receive an exemption for any provision of this rule or to receive additional USF support, for use in designated support areas, to support additional services which the Commission determines to be consistent with universal service purposes and permitted by law.

R746-360-8. Calculation of Fund Distributions in Rate-of-Return Incumbent Telephone Corporation Territories.

A. Determination of Support Amounts --

1. Incumbent telephone corporation - Monies from the fund will equal the numerical difference between the Incumbent telephone corporation's total embedded costs of providing public telecommunications services, for a designated support area, less the product of the Incumbent telephone corporation's Average Revenue Per Line, for the designated support area, times the Incumbent telephone corporation's active access lines in the designated support area.

2. Telecommunications corporations other than Incumbent telephone corporations - Monies from the fund will equal the respective Incumbent telephone corporation's average access line support amount for the designated support area, determined by dividing the Incumbent telephone corporation's USF monies for the designated support area by the Incumbent telephone corporation's active access lines in the designated support area, times the eligible telecommunications corporation's number of active access lines in the designated support area.

B. Lifeline Support -- Eligible telecommunications corporations shall receive additional USF funds to recover any discount granted to lifeline customers, participating in a Commission-approved Lifeline program, that is not recovered from federal lifeline support mechanisms.

C. Exemptions -- Telecommunications corporations may petition to receive an exemption for any provision of this rule or to receive additional USF support, for use in designated support areas, to support additional services which the Commission determines to be consistent with universal service purposes and permitted by law.

R746-360-9. One-Time Distributions From the Fund.

A. Applications for One-Time Distributions -- Telecommunications corporations, whether they are or are not receiving USF funds under R746-360-7 or R746-360-8, potential customers not presently receiving service because facilities are not available, or customers receiving inadequate service may apply to the Commission for one-time distributions from the fund for extension of service to a customer, or customers, not presently served or for amelioration of inadequate service.

1. These distributions are to be made only in extraordinary circumstances, when traditional methods of funding and service provision are infeasible.

2. One-time distributions will not be made for:

a. New subdivision developments;

b. Property improvements, such as cable placement, when associated with curb and gutter installations; or

c. Seasonal developments that are exclusively vacation homes.

i. Vacation home is defined as: A secondary residence which is primarily used for recreation and is unoccupied for a period of four consecutive weeks per year.

3. An application for a one-time distribution may be filed with the Commission by an individual or group of consumers desiring telephone service or improved service, a telecommunications corporation on behalf of those consumers, the Division of Public Utilities, or any entity permitted by law to request agency action. An application shall identify the service(s) sought, the area to be served and the individuals or entities that will be served if the one-time distribution is approved.

4. Following the application's filing, affected telecommunications corporations shall provide engineering, facilities, costs, and any other pertinent information that will assist in the Commission's consideration of the application.

5. In considering the one-time distribution application, the Commission will examine relevant facts including the type and grade of service to be provided, the cost of providing the service, the demonstrated need for the service, whether the customer is within the service territory of a telecommunications corporation, whether the proposed service is for a primary residence, the provisions for service or line extension currently available, and other relevant factors to determine whether the one-time distribution is in the public interest.

B. Presumed Reasonable Amounts and Terms -- Unless otherwise ordered by the Commission, the maximum one-time distribution will be no more than $10,000 per customer for customers of rate-of-return regulated companies. For customers of non-rate of return companies, the maximum one-time distribution shall be calculated so that the required customer payments would equal the payments required from a customer of a rate-of-return regulated company. The Commission will presume a company's service or line extension terms and conditions reasonable, for a subscriber in connection with one-time universal service fund distribution requests, if the costs of service extension, for each extension, are recovered as follows:

1. For rate-of-return regulated Local Exchange Carriers who request USF One-Time Distribution support for facility placement: The first $2,500 of cost coverage per account is provided by the company; and for cost amounts exceeding $2,500 per account up to two times the statewide average loop investment per account for rate-of-return regulated telecommunication companies, as determined annually by the Division of Public Utilities, the company will pay 50 percent of the costs of the project.

2. For non-rate-of-return Local Exchange Carriers who request USF One-Time Distribution support for facility placement the first $2,500 of cost coverage per account is provided by the company; and all other costs are shared between the customer and the fund as provided herein.

3. For projects that exceed $2,500 per account, but are equal to or less than $10,000 per account, the customer shall pay 25 percent of the costs that exceed $2,500. For projects that exceed $10,000 per account, but are equal to or less than $20,000 per account, the customer shall pay 50 percent of the costs that are greater than $10,000 plus the previously calculated amount. For projects exceeding $20,000 per account the customer shall pay 75 percent of the cost above $20,000 until the State Universal Service Support Fund has paid the maximum amount as provided herein, any project costs above that level will be paid for 100 percent by the customer.

4. The State Universal Service Support Fund shall pay the difference between the sum of the defined company contributions plus customer contribution amounts and the total project cost up to the maximum amount provided herein.

5. Other terms and conditions for service extension shall be reviewed by the Commission in its consideration of an application and may be altered by the Commission in order to approve the use of universal service funds through the requested one-time distribution.

C. Combination of One-Time Distribution Funds with Additional Customer Funds and Future Customer Payment Recovery --

1. At least 51 percent of the potential customers must be full-time residents in the geographic area being petitioned for and must be willing to pay the initial up-front contribution to the project as calculated by the Commission or its agent.

2. Qualified customers in the area shall be notified by the telecommunications corporation of the nature and extent of the

proposed service extension including the necessary customer contribution amounts to participate in the project. Customer contribution payments shall be made prior to the start of construction. In addition to qualified customers, the Local Exchange Company needs to make a good faith effort to contact all known property owners within the geographic boundaries of the proposed project and invite them to participate on the same terms as the qualified customers. Local Exchange Companies may ask potential customers to help in the process of contacting other potential customers.

3. New developments and empty lots will not be considered in the cost analysis for USF construction projects unless the property owner is willing to pay the per account costs for each lot as specified in this rule.

4. Potential customers who are notified and initially decline participation in the line extension project, but subsequently decide to participate, prior to completion of the project, may participate in the project if they make a customer contribution payment, prior to completion of the project, of 105 percent of the original customer contribution amount.

5. For a period of five years following completion of a project, new customers who seek telecommunications service in the project area, shall pay a customer contribution payment equal to 110 percent of the amount paid by the original customers in the project.

6. The telecommunications corporation shall ensure that all customer contribution payments required by R746-360-9(C)(3), (4), and (5) are collected. Funds received through these payments shall be sent to the universal service fund administrator. The company is responsible for tracking and notification to the Commission when the USF has been fully compensated. All monies will be collected and reported by the end of each calendar year, December 31st.

7. For each customer added during the five-year period following project completion, the telecommunications corporation and new customers shall bear the costs to extend service pursuant to the company's service or line extension terms and conditions, up to the telecommunications corporation's original contribution per customer for the project and the customer contributions required by this rule. The company may petition the Commission for a determination of the recovery from the universal service fund and the new customer for costs which exceed this amount.

D. Impact of Distribution on Rate of Return Companies -- A one-time distribution from the fund shall be recorded on the books of a rate base, rate of return regulated LEC as an aid to construction and treated as an offset to rate base.

E. Notice and Hearing -- Following notice that a one-time distribution application has been filed, any interested person may request a hearing or seek to intervene to protect his interests.

F. Bidding for Unserved Areas -- If only one telecommunications corporation is involved in the one-time distribution request, the distribution will be provided based on the reasonable and prudent actual or estimated costs of that company. If additional telecommunications corporations are involved, the distribution will be determined on the basis of a competitive bid. The estimated amount of the one-time distribution will be considered in evaluating each bid. Fund distributions in that area will be based on the winning bid.

R746-360-10. Altering the USF Charges and the End-User Surcharge Rates.

The uniform surcharge shall be adjusted periodically to minimize the difference between amounts received by the fund and amounts disbursed.

R746-360-11. Support for Schools, Libraries, and Health Care Facilities. Calculation of Fund Distributions.

The Universal Service Fund rules for schools, libraries and health care providers, as prescribed by the Federal Communications Commission in Docket 96-45, 97-157 Sections X and XI, paragraphs 424 - 749, of Order issued May 8, 1996, and CFR Sections 54.500 through 54.623 inclusive, incorporated by this reference, is the prescribed USF method that shall be employed in Utah. Funding shall be limited to funds made available through the federal universal service fund program.

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R746. Public Service Commission, Administration.
R746-600. Postretirement Benefits other than Pensions.
R746-600-1. Postretirement Benefits other than Pensions.

Effective in fiscal years beginning after December 15, 1992, public utilities having more than 500 employees shall begin accruing postretirement benefits other than pensions obligations for financial reporting purposes. For ratemaking purposes, the Commission will determine in general rate proceedings, on a case-by-case basis, the appropriate amount of the costs of postretirement benefits other than pensions to be recovered in rates. The monies recovered from ratepayers in an amount estimated to equal the costs of postretirement benefits other than pensions shall be placed in an external account, specifically maintained for the purpose of funding these benefits for current and future retirees, unless the utility demonstrates substantial savings to the ratepayers by not externally funding. The utility shall make regular, periodic deposits to the fund in a manner calculated to maximize fund earnings.

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R861. Tax Commission, Administration.
R861-1A. Administrative Procedures.
R861-1A-2. Rulemaking Power Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. Section 59-1-210 and 63-46a-4.

A. Policy and Scope. In accordance with the responsibility placed upon it by law, the Commission shall enact appropriate rules. These rules shall prescribe practices and procedures for the Commission and other state and county officials and agencies over which the Commission has supervisory power and shall interpret laws the Commission is charged with administering when such interpretation is deemed necessary and in the public interest.

B. Preparation. In the preparation of rules the Commission may refer to appropriate materials and consult such parties as it deems advisable, whether or not such persons are employees of the Commission. Drafts of proposed rules may be submitted to the Office of the Attorney General for examination as to legality and form.

C. Notice and Hearing. The Commission may publish, by means of local communication, notice of its intent to exercise its rulemaking power in a particular area. Notice therein will be given of a scheduled hearing or hearings not sooner than 15 days after such notice, at which hearing or hearings any party who would be substantially affected by such exercise may present argument in support thereof or in objection thereto. Such notice and hearing or hearings will be instituted when the Commission deems them to be of substantial value and in the public interest or in accordance with Utah Code Ann. Section 63-46a-5. Such notice and hearing or hearings shall not be a prerequisite to the validity of any rule.

D. Adoption. Rules will be adopted by the Commission at formal meetings with a quorum present. Adopted rules will be written and entered into the official minutes of the Commission, which minutes are a public record available for examination by interested members of the public at the Commission offices. This proceeding and no other will be necessary for validity, unless otherwise required by the rulemaking procedures.

E. Effective Date. In accordance with Utah Code Ann. Section 63-46a-4.

F. Publication. Copies of adopted rules will be prepared and made available to interested parties requesting the same. Such rules may also be published periodically in booklets and bulletins. It shall be the policy of the Commission to provide for publication of all new rules at the time of each compilation of rules in the particular area. No rule, however, shall be deemed invalid by failure to prepare copies for distribution or to provide for publication in the manner herein described.

G. Petitions for Exercise of Rulemaking Power. The Commission may be petitioned to exercise its power to adopt a rule of general application. Such petition shall be submitted in writing by any party who would be substantially and directly affected by such rule. The Commission will have wide discretion in this area and will exercise this rulemaking power upon petition only when it deems that such exercise would be of substantial value to the citizens of Utah. If the Commission accepts such a petition, it may adopt such rule as it deems appropriate; however, the petitioning party may submit a proposed rule for the consideration of the Commission. If the Commission acts favorably upon such a petition, it will adopt and publish the rule in the manner hereinabove described, and in addition notify the petitioner of such adoption by mail at his last known address. If the Commission declines to act on such petition, it will so notify the petitioning party in the same manner.

H. Repeal and Amendment. The procedure above described for the enactment of rules shall also be followed for the amendment or repeal of existing rules.

R861-1A-3. Division Conferences Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. Sections 59-1-210 and 63G-4-102.

Any party directly affected by a commission action or contemplated action may request a conference with the supervisor or designated officer of the division involved in that action.

(1) A request may be oral or written.

(2) A conference will be conducted in an informal manner in an effort to clarify and narrow the issues and problems involved.

(3) The party requesting a conference will be notified of the result:

(a) orally or in writing;

(b) in person or through counsel; and

(c) at the conclusion of the conference or within a reasonable time thereafter.

(4) A conference may be held at any time prior to a hearing, whether or not a petition for hearing, appeal, or other commencement of an adjudicative proceeding has been filed.

R861-1A-9. Tax Commission as Board of Equalization Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. Sections 59-2-212, 59-2-1004, and 59-2-1006.

A. Equalization Responsibilities. The Commission will sit as the State Board of Equalization in discharge of the equalization responsibilities given it by law. The Commission may sit on its own initiative to correct the valuation of property that has been overassessed, underassessed, or nonassessed as described in Section 59-2-212, and as a board of appeal from the various county boards of equalization described in Section 59-2-1004.

B. Proceedings. In all cases, appeals to the Commission shall be scheduled for hearing pursuant to Commission rules.

C. Appeals from county boards of equalization.

1. A notice of appeal filed by the taxpayer with the auditor pursuant to Section 59-2-1006 shall be presumed to have been timely filed unless the county provides convincing evidence to the contrary. In the absence of evidence of the date of mailing of the county board of equalization decision by the county auditor to the taxpayer, it shall be presumed that the decision was mailed three days after the meeting of the county board of equalization at which the decision was made.

2. If the county has not formally adopted board of equalization rules and procedures under Section 59-2-1001 that have been approved by the Commission, the procedures contained in this rule must be followed.

3. An appeal from a decision of a county board must be presented upon the same issues as were submitted to the county board in the first instance. The Commission shall consider, but is not limited to, the facts and evidence submitted to the county board.

4. The county board of equalization or county hearing officer shall prepare minutes of hearings held before them on property tax appeals. The minutes shall constitute the record on appeal.

a) For appeals concerning property value, the record shall include:

(1) the name and address of the property owner;

(2) the identification number, location, and description of the property;

(3) the value placed on the property by the assessor;

(4) the basis stated in the taxpayer's appeal;

(5) facts and issues raised in the hearing before the county board that are not clearly evident from the assessor's records; and

(6) the decision of the county board of equalization and the reasons for the decision.

b) Exempt Property. With respect to a decision affecting the exempt status of a property, the county board of equalization shall prepare its decision in writing, stating the reasons and

statutory basis for the decision.

5. Appeals from dismissal by the county boards of equalization.

a) Decisions by the county board of equalization are final orders on the merits, and appeals to the Commission shall be on the merits except for the following:

(1) dismissal for lack of jurisdiction;

(2) dismissal for lack of timeliness;

(3) dismissal for lack of evidence to support a claim for relief.

b) On an appeal from a dismissal by a county board for the exceptions under C.5.a), the only matter that will be reviewed by the Commission is the dismissal itself, not the merits of the appeal.

c) An appeal may be dismissed for lack of jurisdiction when the claimant limits arguments to issues not under the jurisdiction of the county board of equalization.

6. An appeal filed with the Commission may be remanded to the county board of equalization for further proceedings if the Commission determines that:

a) dismissal under C.5.a)(1) or (3) was improper;

b) the taxpayer failed to exhaust all administrative remedies at the county level; or

c) in the interest of administrative efficiency, the matter can best be resolved by the county board.

7. An appeal filed with the Commission shall be remanded to the county board of equalization for further proceedings if the Commission determines that dismissal under C.5.a)(2) is improper under R884-24P-66.

8. To achieve standing with the county board of equalization and have a decision rendered on the merits of the case, the taxpayer shall provide the following minimum information to the county board of equalization:

a) the name and address of the property owner;

b) the identification number, location, and description of the property;

c) the value placed on the property by the assessor;

d) the taxpayer's estimate of the fair market value of the property; and

e) a signed statement providing evidence or documentation that supports the taxpayer's claim for relief.

9. If no signed statement is attached, the county will notify the taxpayer of the defect in the claim and permit at least ten calendar days to cure the defect before dismissing the matter for lack of sufficient evidence to support the claim for relief.

10. If the taxpayer appears before the county board of equalization and fails to produce the evidence or documentation under C.8.e), the county shall send the taxpayer a notice of intent to dismiss, and permit the taxpayer at least 20 calendar days to supply the evidence or documentation. If the taxpayer fails to provide the evidence or documentation within 20 days, the county board of equalization may dismiss the matter for lack of evidence to support a claim for relief.

11. If the minimum information required under C.8. is supplied and the taxpayer produces the evidence or documentation described in the taxpayer's signed statement under C.8.e), the county board of equalization shall render a decision on the merits of the case.

R861-1A-10. Miscellaneous Provisions Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. Section 59-1-210.

A. Rights of Parties. Nothing herein shall be construed to remove or diminish any right of any party under the Constitution of the United States, the Constitution of the state of Utah, or any existing law.

B. Effect of Partial Invalidation. If any part of these rules be declared unconstitutional or in conflict with existing statutory law by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder shall not be affected thereby and shall continue in full force and effect.

C. Enactment of Inconsistent Legislation. Any statute passed by the Utah Legislature inconsistent with these rules or any part thereof will effect a repeal of that part of these rules with which it is inconsistent, but of no other part.

D. Presumption of Familiarity. It will be presumed that parties dealing with the Commission are familiar with:

1. these rules and the provisions thereof,

2. the revenue laws of the state of Utah, and

3. all rules enacted by the Commission in its administration thereof.

R861-1A-11. Appeal of Corrective Action Order Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. Section 59-2-704.

A. Appeal of Corrective Action Order. Any county appealing a corrective action order issued pursuant to Section 59-2-704, shall, within 10 days of the mailing of the order, request in writing a hearing before the Commission. The Commission shall immediately set the time and place of the hearing, which shall be held no later than June 30 of the tax year to which the corrective action order applies.

B. Hearings. Hearings on corrective action order appeals shall be conducted as formal hearings and shall be governed by the procedures contained in these rules. If the parties are able to stipulate to a modification of the corrective action order, and it is evident that there is a reasonable basis for modifying the corrective action order, an amended corrective action order may be executed by the Commission. One or more commissioners may preside at a hearing under this rule with the same force and effect as if a quorum of the Commission were present. However, a decision must be made and an order signed by a quorum of the Commission.

C. Decisions and Orders. The Commission shall render its decision and order no later than July 10 of the tax year to which the corrective action order applies. Upon reaching a decision, the Commission shall immediately notify the clerk of the county board of equalization and the county assessor of that decision.

D. Sales Information. Access to Commission property sales information shall be available by written agreement with the Commission to any clerk of the county board of equalization and county assessor appealing under this rule. All other reasonable and necessary information shall be available upon request, according to Commission guidelines.

E. Conflict with Other Rules. This rule supersedes all other rules that may otherwise govern these proceedings before the Commission.

R861-1A-12. Policies and Procedures Regarding Public Disclosure Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. Section 59-1-210.

This rule outlines the policies and procedures of the Commission regarding the public disclosure of and access to documents, workpapers, decisions, and other information prepared by the Commission under provisions of Utah Code Ann. Section 59-1-210.

A. Property Tax Orders. Property tax orders signed by the Commission will be mailed to the appropriately named parties in accordance with the Commission's rules of procedure. Property tax orders may also be made available to persons other than the named parties upon written request to the Commission. Nonparty requests will be subject to the following limitations.

1. If, upon consultation with the taxpayer, the Commission determines that a particular property tax order contains information which, if disclosed, would constitute a significant competitive disadvantage to the taxpayer, the Commission may either prohibit the disclosure of the order or require that applicable information be removed from the order prior to it being made publicly available.

2. The limitation in subsection 1. does not apply if the taxpayer affirmatively waives protection against disclosure of the information.

B. Other Tax Orders. Written orders signed by the Commission relating to all tax appeals other than property tax matters will also be mailed to the appropriately named parties in accordance with the Commission rules of procedure. Copies of these orders or information about them will not be provided to any person other than the named parties except for the following circumstances:

1. if the Commission determines that the parties have affirmatively waived any claims to confidentiality; or

2. if the Commission determines that the orders may be effectively sanitized through the deletion of references to the parties, specific tax amounts, or any other information attributable to a return filed with the Commission.

C. Imposition and Waiver of Penalty and Interest.

1. All facts surrounding the imposition of penalty and interest charges as well as requests for waiver of penalty and interest charges are considered confidential and will not be disclosed to any persons other than the parties specifically involved. These facts include the names of the involved parties, the amount of penalty and interest, type of tax involved, amount of the tax owed, reasons for the imposition of the penalty and interest, and any other information relating to imposition of the penalty and interest, except as follows:

(a) if the Commission affirmatively determines that a finding of fraud is involved and seeks the imposition of the appropriate fraud penalties, the Commission may make all pertinent facts available to the public once legal action against the parties has been commenced; or

(b) if the Commission determines that the parties have affirmatively waived their rights to confidentiality, the Commission will make all pertinent facts available to the public.

D. Commission Notes and Workpapers.

1. All workpapers, notes, and other material prepared by the commissioners, as well as staff and employees of the Commission, are to be considered confidential, and access to the specific material is restricted to employees of the Commission and its legal counsel only. Examples of this restricted material include audit workpapers and notes, ad valorem appraisal worksheets, and notes taken during hearings and deliberations. In the case of information prepared as part of an audit, the auditing division will, upon request, provide summary information of the findings to the taxpayer. These items will not be available to any person or party by discovery carried out pursuant to these rules or the Utah Rules of Civil Procedure.

2. Relevant workpapers of the property tax division prepared in connection with the assessment of property by the Commission, pursuant to the provisions of Utah Code Ann. Section 59-2-217, shall be provided to the owner of the property to which the assessment relates, at the owner's request.

E. Reciprocal Agreements. Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. Sections 59-7-537, 59-10-545 and 59-12-109, the Commission may enter into individual reciprocal agreements to share specific tax information with authorized representatives of the United States Internal Revenue Service, tax officials of other states, and representatives of local governments within the state of Utah; provided, however, that no information will be provided to any governmental entity if providing such information would violate any statute or any agreement with the Internal Revenue Service.

F. Other Agreements. Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. Section 59-12-109, the Commission may provide departments and political subdivisions of the state of Utah with copies of returns and other information required by Chapter 12 of Title 59. This information is available only in official matters and must be requested in writing by the head of the department or political subdivision. The request must specifically indicate the information being sought and how the information will be used. The Commission will respond in writing to the request and shall impose conditions of confidentiality on the use of the information disclosed.

G. Multistate Tax Commission. The Commission is authorized to share specific tax information for audit purposes with the Multistate Tax Commission.

H. Statistical Information. The Commission authorizes the preparation and publication of statistical information regarding the payment and collection of state taxes. The information will be prepared by the various divisions of the Commission and made available after review and approval of the Commission.

I. Public Record Information. Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. 59-1-403(3)(c), the Commission may publicize the name and other appropriate information, as contained in the public record, concerning delinquent taxpayers, including their addresses, the amount of money owed by tax type, as well as any legal action taken by the Commission, including charges filed, property seized, etc. No information will be released which is not part of the existing public record.

R861-1A-13. Requests for Accommodation and Grievance Procedures Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. Section 63G-3-201, 28 CFR 35.107 1992 edition, and 42 USC 12201.

(1) Disabled individuals may request reasonable accommodations to services, programs, or activities, or a job or work environment in the following manner.

(a) Requests shall be directed to:
Accommodations Coordinator
Utah State Tax Commission
210 North 1950 West
Salt Lake City, Utah 84134
Telephone: 801-297-3811 TDD: 801-297-3819 or relay at 711

(b) Requests shall be made at least three working days prior to any deadline by which the accommodation is needed.

(c) Requests shall include the following information:

(i) the individual's name and address;

(ii) a notation that the request is made in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act;

(iii) a description of the nature and extent of the individual's disability;

(iv) a description of the service, program, activity, or job or work environment for which an accommodation is requested; and

(v) a description of the requested accommodation if an accommodation has been identified.

(2) The accommodations coordinator shall review all requests for accommodation with the applicable division director and shall issue a reply within two working days.

(a) The reply shall advise the individual that:

(i) the requested accommodation is being supplied; or

(ii) the requested accommodation is not being supplied because it would cause an undue hardship, and shall suggest alternative accommodations. Alternative accommodations must be described; or

(iii) the request for accommodation is denied. A reason for the denial must be included; or

(iv) additional time is necessary to review the request. A projected response date must be included.

(b) All denials of requests under Subsections (2)(a)(ii) and (2)(a)(iii) shall be approved by the executive director or designee.

(c) All replies shall be made in a suitable format. If the suitable format is a format other than writing, the reply shall also be made in writing.

(3) Disabled individuals who are dissatisfied with the reply to their request for accommodation may file a request for review with the executive director in the following manner.

(a) Requests for review shall be directed to:
Executive Director
Utah State Tax Commission
210 North 1950 West

Salt Lake City, Utah 84134
Telephone: 801-297-3841 TDD: 801-297-3819 or relay at 711

(b) A request for review must be filed within 180 days of the accommodations coordinator's reply.

(c) The request for review shall include:

(i) the individual's name and address;

(ii) the nature and extent of the individual's disability;

(iii) a copy of the accommodation coordinator's reply;

(iv) a statement explaining why the reply to the individual's request for accommodation was unsatisfactory;

(v) a description of the accommodation desired; and

(vi) the signature of the individual or the individual's legal representative.

(4) The executive director shall review all requests for review and shall issue a reply within 15 working days after receipt of the request for review.

(a) If unable to reach a decision within the 15 working day period, the executive director shall notify the individual with a disability that the decision is being delayed and the amount of additional time necessary to reach a decision.

(b) All replies shall be made in a suitable format. If the suitable format is a format other than writing, the reply shall also be made in writing.

(5) The record of each request for review, and all written records produced or received as part of each request for review, shall be classified as protected under Section 63G-2-305 until the executive director issues a decision.

(6) Once the executive director issues a decision, any portions of the record that pertain to the individual's medical condition shall remain classified as private under Section 63G-2-302 or controlled under Section 63G-2-304, whichever is appropriate. All other information gathered as part of the appeal shall be classified as private information. Only the written decision of the executive director shall be classified as public information.

Disabled individuals who are dissatisfied with the executive director's decision may appeal that decision to the commission in the manner provided in Sections 63G-4-102 through 63G-4-105.

R861-1A-15. Requirement of Social Security and Federal Identification Numbers Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. Section 59-1-210.

A. Taxpayers shall provide the Tax Commission with their social security number or federal identification number, as required by the Tax Commission.

B. Sole proprietor and partnership applicants shall provide the Tax Commission with the following information for every owner or partner of the applying entity:

1. name;

2. home address;

3. social security number and federal identification number, as required by the Tax Commission.

C. Corporation and limited liability applicants shall provide the Tax Commission with the following information for every officer or managing member of the applying entity:

1. name;

2. home address; and

3. social security number and federal identification number, as required by the Tax Commission.

D. Business trust applicants shall provide the Tax Commission with the following information for the responsible trustees:

1. name;

2. home address; and

3. social security number and federal identification number, as required by the Tax Commission.

R861-1A-16. Utah State Tax Commission Management Plan Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. Section 59-1-207.

(1) The executive director reports to the commission. The executive director shall meet with the commission periodically to report on the status and progress of this agreement, update the commission on the affairs of the agency and seek policy guidance. The chairman of the commission shall designate a liaison of the commission to coordinate with the executive director in the execution of this agreement.

(2) The structure of the agency is as follows:

(a) The Office of the Commission, including the commissioners and the following units that report to the commission:

(i) Internal Audit;

(ii) Appeals;

(iii) Economic and Statistical; and

(iv) Public Information.

(b) The Office of the Executive Director, including the executive director's staff and the following divisions that report to the executive director:

(i) Administration;

(ii) Taxpayer Services;

(iii) Motor Vehicle;

(iv) Auditing;

(v) Property Tax;

(vi) Processing; and

(vii) Motor Vehicle Enforcement.

(3) The Executive Director shall oversee service agreements from other departments, including the Department of Human Resources and the Department of Technology Services.

(4) The commission hereby delegates full authority for the following functions to the executive director:

(a) general supervision and management of the day to day management of the operations and business of the agency conducted through the Office of the Executive Director and through the divisions set out in Subsection (2)(b);

(b) management of the day to day relationships with the customers of the agency;

(c) all original assessments, including adjustments to audit, assessment, and collection actions, except as provided in Subsections (4)(d) and (5);

(d) waivers of penalty and interest or offers in compromise agreements in amounts under $10,000, in conformance with standards established by the commission;

(e) except as provided in Subsection (5)(g), voluntary disclosure agreements with companies, including multilevel marketers;

(f) determination of whether a county or taxing entity has satisfied its statutory obligations with respect to taxes and fees administered by the commission;

(g) human resource management functions, including employee relations, final agency action on employee grievances, and development of internal policies and procedures; and

(h) administration of Title 63G, Chapter 2, Government Records Access and Management Act.

(5) The executive director shall prepare and, upon approval by the commission, implement the following actions, agreements, and documents:

(a) the agency budget;

(b) the strategic plan of the agency;

(c) administrative rules and bulletins;

(d) waivers of penalty and interest in amounts of $10,000 or more as per the waiver of penalty and interest policy;

(e) offer in compromise agreements that abate tax, penalty and interest over $10,000 as per the offer in compromise policy;

(f) stipulated or negotiated agreements that dispose of matters on appeal; and

(g) voluntary disclosure agreements that meet the

following criteria:

(i) the company participating in the agreement is not licensed in Utah and does not collect or remit Utah sales or corporate income tax; and

(ii) the agreement forgives a known past tax liability of $10,000 or more.

(6) The commission shall retain authority for the following functions:

(a) rulemaking;

(b) adjudicative proceedings;

(c) private letter rulings issued in response to requests from individual taxpayers for guidance on specific facts and circumstances;

(d) internal audit processes;

(e) liaison with the governor's office;

(i) Correspondence received from the governor's office relating to tax policy will be directed to the Office of the Commission for response. Correspondence received from the governor's office that relates to operating issues of the agency will be directed to the Office of the Executive Director for research and appropriate action. The executive director shall prepare a timely response for the governor with notice to the commission as appropriate.

(ii) The executive director and staff may have other contact with the governor's office upon appropriate notice to the commission; and

(f) liaison with the Legislature.

(i) The commission will set legislative priorities and communicate those priorities to the executive director.

(ii) Under the direction of the executive director, staff may be assigned to assist the commission and the executive director in monitoring legislative meetings and assisting legislators with policy issues relating to the agency.

(7) Correspondence that has been directed to the commission or individual commissioners that relates to matters delegated to the executive director shall be forwarded to a staff member of the Office of the Executive Director for research and appropriate action. A log shall be maintained of all correspondence and periodically the executive director will review with the commission the volume, nature, and resolution of all correspondence from all sources.

(8) The executive director's staff may occasionally act as support staff to the commission for purposes of conducting research or making recommendations on tax issues.

(a) Official communications or assignments from the commission or individual commissioners to the staff reporting to the executive director shall be made through the executive director.

(b) The commissioners and the Office of the Commission staff reserve the right to contact agency staff directly to facilitate a collegial working environment and maintain communications within the agency. These contacts will exclude direct commands, specific policy implementation guidance, or human resource administration.

(9) The commission shall meet with the executive director periodically for the purpose of exchanging information and coordinating operations.

(a) The commission shall discuss with the executive director all policy decisions, appeal decisions or other commission actions that affect the day to day operations of the agency.

(b) The executive director shall keep the commission apprised of significant actions or issues arising in the course of the daily operation of the agency.

(c) When confronted with circumstances that are not covered by established policy or by instances of real or potential conflicts of interest, the executive director shall refer the matter to the commission.

R861-1A-18. Allocations of Remittances Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. Sections 59-1-210 and 59-1-705.

A. Remittances received by the commission shall be applied first to penalty, then interest, and then to tax for the filing period and account designated by the taxpayer.

B. If no designation for period is made, the commission shall allocate the remittance so as to satisfy all penalty, interest, and tax for the oldest period before applying any excess to other periods.

C. Fees associated with Tax Commission collection activities shall be allocated from remittances in the manner designated by statute. If a statute does not provide for the manner of allocating those fees from remittances, the commission shall apply the remittance first to the collection activity fees, then to penalty, then interest, and then to tax for the filing period.

R861-1A-20. Time of Appeal Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. Sections 59-1-301, 59-1-501, 59-2-1007, 59-7-517, 59-10-532, 59-10-533, 59-10-535, 59-12-114, 59-13-210, 63-46b-3, 63-46b-14, 68-3-7, and 68-3-8.5.

(1) A request for a hearing to correct a property tax assessment pursuant to Section 59-2-1007 must be in writing. The request is deemed to be timely if:

(a) it is received in the commission offices on or before the close of business of the last day of the time frame provided by statute; or

(b) the date of the postmark on the envelope or cover indicates that the request was mailed on or before June 1.

(2) Except as provided in Subsection (3), a petition for redetermination must be received in the commission offices no later than 30 days from the date of a notice that creates the right to appeal. The petition is deemed to be timely if:

(a) in the case of mailed or hand-delivered documents:

(i) the petition is received in the commission offices on or before the close of business of the last day of the 30-day period; or

(ii) the date of the postmark on the envelope or cover indicates that the request was mailed on or before the last day of the 30-day period; or

(b) in the case of electronically-filed documents, the petition is received no later than midnight of the last day of the 30-day period.

(3) A petition for redetermination filed in accordance with Sections 59-10-532 or 59-10-533 is deemed to be timely if:

(a) in the case of mailed or hand-delivered documents:

(i) the petition is received in the commission offices on or before the close of business of the last day of the time frame provided by statute; or

(ii) the date of the postmark on the envelope or cover indicates that the request was mailed on or before the last day of the time frame provided by statute; or

(b) in the case of electronically-filed documents, the petition is received no later than midnight of the last day of the time frame provided by statute.

(4) Any party adversely affected by an order of the commission may seek judicial review within the time frame provided by statute. Copies of the appeal shall be served upon the commission and upon the Office of the Attorney General.

R861-1A-22. Petitions for Commencement of Adjudicative Proceedings Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. Sections 59-1-501, and 63G-4-201.

(1) Time for Petition. Unless otherwise provided by Utah statute, petitions for adjudicative actions shall be filed within the time frames specified in R861-1A-20. If the last day of the 30-day period falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, the period shall run until the end of the next Tax Commission business day.

(2) Contents. A petition for adjudicative action need not be in any particular form, but shall be in writing and, in addition to the requirements of 63G-4-201, shall contain the following:

(a) name and street address and, if available, a fax number or e-mail address of petitioner or the petitioner's representative;

(b) a telephone number where the petitioning party or that party's representative can be reached during regular business hours;

(c) petitioner's tax identification, social security number or other relevant identification number, such as real property parcel number or vehicle identification number;

(d) particular tax or issue involved, period of alleged liability, amount of tax in dispute, and, in the case of a property tax issue, the lien date;

(e) if the petition results from a letter or notice, the petition will include the date of the letter or notice and the originating division or officer; and

(f) in the case of property tax cases, the assessed value sought.

(3) Effect of Nonconformance. The commission will not reject a petition because of nonconformance in form or content, but may require an amended or substitute petition meeting the requirements of this section when such defects are present. An amended or substitute petition must be filed within 15 days after notice of the defect from the commission.

R861-1A-23. Designation of Adjudicative Proceedings Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. Section 63G-4-202.

(1) All matters shall be designated as formal proceedings and set for a an initial hearing, a status conference, or a scheduling conference pursuant to R861-1A-26.

(2) A matter may be diverted to a mediation process pursuant to R861-1A-32 upon agreement of the parties and the presiding officer.

R861-1A-24. Formal Adjudicative Proceedings Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. Sections 59-1-502.5, 63G-4-206, and 63G-4-208.

(1) At a formal proceeding, an administrative law judge appointed by the commission or a commissioner may preside.

(a) Assignment of a presiding officer to a case will be made pursuant to agency procedures and not at the request of any party to the appeal.

(b) A party may request that one or more commissioners be present at any hearing. However, the decision of whether the request is granted rests with the commission.

(c) If more than one commissioner or administrative law judge is present at any hearing, the hearing will be conducted by the presiding officer assigned to the appeal, unless otherwise determined by the commission.

(2) A formal proceeding includes an initial hearing pursuant to Section 59-1-502.5, unless it is waived upon agreement of all parties, and a formal hearing on the record, if the initial hearing is waived or if a party appeals the initial hearing decision.

(a) Initial Hearing.

(i) An initial hearing pursuant to Section 59-1-502.5 shall be in the form of a conference.

(ii) In accordance with Section 59-1-502.5, the commission shall make no record of an initial hearing.

(iii) Any issue may be settled in the initial hearing, but any party has a right to a formal hearing on matters that remain in dispute after the initial hearing decision is issued.

(iv) Any party dissatisfied with the result of the initial hearing must file a timely request for a formal hearing before pursuing judicial review of unsettled matters.

(b) Formal Hearing.

(i) The commission shall make a record of all formal hearings, which may include a written record or an audio recording of the proceeding.

(ii) Evidence presented at the initial hearing will not be included in the record of the formal hearing, unless specifically requested by a party and admitted by the presiding officer.

R861-1A-26. Procedures for Formal Adjudicative Proceedings Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. Sections 59-1-501 and 63G-4-204 through 63G-4-209.

(1) A scheduling or status conference may be held.

(a) At the conference, the parties and the presiding officer may:

(i) establish deadlines and procedures for discovery;

(ii) discuss scheduling;

(iii) clarify other issues;

(iv) determine whether to refer the action to a mediation process; and

(v) determine whether the initial hearing will be waived.

(b) The scheduling or status conference may be converted to an initial hearing upon agreement of the parties.

(2) Notice of Hearing. At least ten days prior to a hearing date, the Commission shall notify the petitioning party or the petitioning party's representative by mail, e-mail, or facsimile of the date, time and place of any hearing or proceeding.

(3) Proceedings Conducted by Telephone. Any proceeding may be held with one or more of the parties on the telephone if the presiding officer determines that it will be more convenient or expeditious for one or more of the parties and does not unfairly prejudice the rights of any party. Each party to the proceeding is responsible for notifying the presiding officer of the telephone number where contact can be made for purposes of conducting the hearing.

(4) Representation.

(a) A party may pursue an appeal before the commission without assistance of legal counsel or other representation. However, a party may be represented by legal counsel or other representation at every stage of adjudication. Failure to obtain legal representation shall not be grounds for complaint at a later stage in the adjudicative proceeding or for relief on appeal from an order of the commission.

(i) For appeals concerning Utah corporate franchise and income taxes or Utah individual income taxes, legal counsel must file a power of attorney or the taxpayer must submit a signed petition for redetermination (Tax Commission form TC-738) on which the taxpayer has authorized legal counsel to represent him or her in the appeal. For all other appeals, legal counsel may, as an alternative, submit an entry of appearance.

(ii) Any representative other than legal counsel must submit a signed power of attorney authorizing the representative to act on the party's behalf and binding the party by the representative's action, unless the taxpayer submits a signed petition for redetermination (Tax Commission form TC-738) on which the taxpayer has authorized the representative to represent him or her in the appeal.

(iii) If a party is represented by legal counsel or other representation, all documents will be directed to the party's representative. Documents will be mailed to the representative's street or other address as shown in documents submitted by the representative. Documents may also be transmitted by facsimile number, e-mail address or other electronic means. A request by a party that documents be transmitted by e-mail shall constitute a waiver of confidentiality of any confidential information disclosed in that e-mail.

(b) Any division of the commission named as party to the proceeding may be represented by the Attorney General's Office upon an attorney of that office submitting an entry of appearance.

(5) Subpoena Power.

(a) Issuance. Subpoenas may be issued to secure the attendance of witnesses or the production of evidence.

(i) If all parties are represented by counsel, an attorney admitted to practice law in Utah may issue and sign the subpoena.

(ii) In all other cases, the party requesting the subpoena must prepare it and submit it to the presiding officer for review and, if appropriate, signature. The presiding officer may inform a party of its rights under the Utah Rules of Civil Procedure.

(b) Service. Service of the subpoena shall be made by the party requesting it in a manner consistent with the Utah Rules of Civil Procedure.

(6) Motions.

(a) Consolidation. The presiding officer has discretion to consolidate cases when the same tax assessment, series of assessments, or issues are involved in each, or where the fact situations and the legal questions presented are virtually identical.

(b) Continuance. A continuance may be granted at the discretion of the presiding officer.

(i) In the absence of a scheduling order:

(A) Each party to an appeal may receive one continuance, upon request, prior to the initial hearing.

(B) If the initial hearing is waived or a formal hearing is timely requested after an initial hearing decision is issued, each party may receive one continuance, upon request, prior to the formal hearing.

(C) A request must be submitted no later than ten days prior to the proceeding for which the continuance is requested and may be denied if a party is prejudiced by the continuance.

(ii) If a scheduling order has been issued or the requesting party has already been granted a continuance, a continuance request must be submitted in writing to the presiding officer. The request must set forth specific reasons for the continuance. After reviewing the request with one or more commissioners, the presiding officer shall grant the request only if the presiding officer determines that adequate cause has been shown and that no other party or parties will be unduly prejudiced.

(c) Default. The presiding officer may enter an order of default against a party in accordance with Section 63G-4-209.

(i) The default order shall include a statement of the grounds for default and shall be delivered to all parties.

(ii) A defaulted party may seek to have the default set aside according to procedures set forth in the Utah Rules of Civil Procedure.

(d) Ruling on Motions. Motions may be made during the hearing or by written motion.

(i) Each motion shall include the grounds upon which it is based and the relief or order sought. Copies of written motions shall be served upon all other parties to the proceeding.

(ii) Upon the filing of any motion, the presiding officer may:

(A) grant or deny the motion; or

(B) set the matter for briefing, hearing, or further proceedings.

(iii) If a hearing on a motion is held that may dispose of all or a portion of the appeal or any claim or defense in the appeal, the commission shall make a record of the proceeding, which may include a written record or an audio recording of the proceeding.

(e) Requests to Withdraw Locally-Assessed Property Tax Appeals.

(i) A party who appeals a county board of equalization decision to the commission may unilaterally withdraw its appeal if:

(A) it submits a written request to withdraw the appeal 20 or more days prior to:

(I) the initial hearing; or

(II) the formal hearing, if the parties waived the initial hearing or participated in a mediation conference in lieu of the initial hearing; and

(B) no other party has filed a timely appeal of the county board of equalization decision.

(ii) A party who appeals an initial hearing decision issued by the commission may unilaterally withdraw its appeal if:

(A) it submits a written request to withdraw 20 or more days prior to the formal hearing, regardless of whether the party who appealed the initial hearing order is also the party who appealed the county board of equalization decision; and

(B) no other party has filed a timely appeal of the initial hearing decision.

R861-1A-27. Discovery Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. Section 63G-4-205.

(1) Discovery procedures in formal proceedings shall be established during the scheduling, and status conference in accordance with the Utah Rules of Civil Procedure and other applicable statutory authority.

(2) The party requesting information or documents may be required to pay in advance the costs of obtaining or reproducing such information or documents.

R861-1A-28. Evidence in Adjudicative Proceedings Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. Sections 59-1-210, 63G-4-206, 76-8-502, and 76-8-503.

(1) Except as otherwise stated in this rule, formal proceedings shall be conducted in accordance with the Utah Rules of Evidence, and the degree of proof in a hearing before the commission shall be the same as in a judicial proceeding in the state courts of Utah.

(2) Every party to an adjudicative proceeding has the right to introduce evidence. The evidence may be oral or written, real or demonstrative, direct or circumstantial.

(a) The presiding officer may admit any reliable evidence possessing probative value which would be accepted by a reasonably prudent person in the conduct of his affairs.

(b) The presiding officer may admit hearsay evidence. However, no decision of the commission will be based solely on hearsay evidence.

(c) If a party attempts to introduce evidence into a hearing, and that evidence is excluded, the party may proffer the excluded testimony or evidence to allow the reviewing judicial authority to pass on the correctness of the ruling of exclusion on appeal.

(3) At the discretion of the presiding officer or upon stipulation of the parties, the parties may be required to reduce their testimony to writing and to prefile the testimony.

(a) Prefiled testimony may be placed on the record without being read into the record if the opposing parties have had reasonable access to the testimony before it is presented. Except upon finding of good cause, reasonable access shall be not less than ten working days.

(b) Prefiled testimony shall have line numbers inserted at the left margin and shall be authenticated by affidavit of the witness.

(c) The presiding officer may require the witness to present a summary of the prefiled testimony. In that case, the witness shall reduce the summary to writing and either file it with the prefiled testimony or serve it on all parties within 10 days after filing the testimony.

(d) If an opposing party intends to cross-examine the witness on prefiled testimony or the summary of prefiled testimony, that party must file a notice of intent to cross-examine at least 10 days prior to the date of the hearing so that witness can be scheduled to appear or within a time frame agreed upon by the parties.

(4) The presiding officer shall rule and sign orders on matters concerning the evidentiary and procedural conduct of the proceeding.

(5) Oral testimony at a formal hearing will be sworn. The

oath will be administered by the presiding officer or a person designated by him. Anyone testifying falsely under oath may be subject to prosecution for perjury in accordance with the provisions of Sections 76-8-502 and 76-8-503.

(6) Any party appearing in an adjudicative proceeding may submit a memorandum of authorities. The presiding officer may request a memorandum from any party if deemed necessary for a full and informed consideration of the issues.

R861-1A-29. Decisions, Orders, and Reconsideration Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. Section 63G-4-302.

(1) Decisions and Orders.

(a) Initial hearing decisions, formal hearing decisions, and other dispositive orders.

(i) A quorum of the commission shall deliberate all hearing decisions and other orders that could dispose of all or a portion of an appeal or any claim or defense in the appeal.

(ii) A quorum of the commission shall sign all hearing decisions and other orders that dispose of all or a portion of an appeal or any claim or defense in the appeal.

(iii) An administrative law judge, if he or she was the presiding officer for an appeal, may elect not to sign the commission's hearing decisions and other orders that dispose of all or a portion of an appeal or any claim or defense in the appeal.

(iv) An initial hearing decision shall become final upon the expiration of 30 days after the date of its issuance, except in any case where a party has earlier requested a formal hearing in writing. The date a party requests a formal hearing is the earlier of the date the envelope containing the request is postmarked or the date the request is received at the Tax Commission.

(b) Orders that are not dispositive.

(i) A quorum of the commission is not required to participate in an order that does not dispose of a portion of an appeal or any claim or defense in the appeal.

(ii) The presiding officer is authorized to sign all orders that do not dispose of a portion of an appeal or any claim or defense in the appeal.

(iii) The commission may, at its option, sign any order that does not dispose of a portion of an appeal or any claim or defense in the appeal.

(2) Reconsideration. Within 20 days after the date that an order that is dispositive of a portion or all of an appeal or any claim or defense in the appeal is issued, any party may file a written request for reconsideration alleging mistake of law or fact, or discovery of new evidence.

(a) The commission shall respond to the petition within 20 days after the date that it was received in the appeals unit to notify the petitioner whether the reconsideration is granted or denied, or is under review.

(i) If no notice is issued within the 20-day period, the commission's lack of action on the request shall be deemed to be a denial and a final order.

(ii) For purposes of calculating the 30-day limitation period for pursuing judicial review, the date of the commission's order on the reconsideration or the order of denial is the date of the final agency action.

(b) If no petition for reconsideration is made, the 30-day limitation period for pursuing judicial review begins to run from the date of the final agency action.

R861-1A-30. Ex Parte Communications Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. Sections 63G-4-203 and 63G-4-206.

(1) No commissioner or administrative law judge shall make or knowingly cause to be made to any party to an appeal any communication relevant to the merits of a matter under appeal unless notice and an opportunity to be heard are afforded to all parties.

(2) No party shall make or knowingly cause to be made to any commissioner or administrative law judge an ex parte communication relevant to the merits of a matter under appeal for the purpose of influencing the outcome of the appeal. Discussion of procedural matters are not considered ex parte communication relevant to the merits of the appeal.

(3) A presiding officer may receive aid from staff assistants if:

(a) the assistants do not receive ex parte communications of a type that the presiding officer is prohibited from receiving, and,

(b) in an instance where assistants present information which augments the evidence in the record, all parties shall have reasonable notice and opportunity to respond to that information.

(4) Any commissioner or administrative law judge who receives an ex parte communication relevant to the merits of a matter under appeal shall place the communication into the case file and afford all parties an opportunity to comment on the information.

R861-1A-31. Declaratory Orders Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. Section 63G-4-503.

(1) A party has standing to bring a declaratory action if that party is directly and adversely affected or aggrieved by an agency action within the meaning of the relevant statute. A party with standing may petition for a declaratory order to challenge:

(a) the commission's interpretation of statutory language as stated in an administrative rule; or

(b) the commission's grant of authority under a statute.

(2) The commission shall not accept a petition for declaratory order on matters pending before the commission in an audit assessment, refund request, collections action or other agency action, or on matters pending before the court on judicial review of a commission decision.

(3) The commission may refuse to render a declaratory order if the order will not completely resolve the controversy giving rise to the proceeding or if the petitioner has other remedies through the administrative appeals processes. The commission's decision to accept or reject a petition for declaratory order rests in part on the petitioner's standing to raise the issue and on a determination that the petitioner has not already incurred tax liability under the statutes or rules challenged.

(4) A declaratory order that invalidates all or part of an administrative rule shall trigger the rulemaking process to amend the rule.

R861-1A-32. Mediation Process Pursuant to Utah Code Section 63G-4-102.

(1) Except as otherwise precluded by law, a resolution to any matter of dispute may be pursued through mediation.

(a) The parties may agree to pursue mediation any time before the formal hearing on the record.

(b) The choice of mediator and the apportionment of costs shall be determined by agreement of the parties.

(2) If mediation produces a settlement agreement, the agreement shall be submitted to the presiding officer pursuant to R861-1A-33.

(a) The settlement agreement shall be prepared by the parties or by the mediator, and promptly filed with the presiding officer.

(b) The settlement agreement shall be adopted by the commission if it is not contrary to law.

(c) If the mediation does not resolve all of the issues, the parties shall prepare a stipulation that identifies the issues resolved and the issues that remain in dispute.

(d) If any issues remain unresolved, the appeal will be scheduled for a formal hearing pursuant to R861-1A-23.

R861-1A-33. Settlement Agreements Pursuant to Utah Code Sections 59-1-210 and 59-1- 502.5.

A. "Settlement agreement" means a stipulation, consent decree, settlement agreement or any other legally binding document or representation that resolves a dispute or issue between the parties.

B. Procedure:

1. Parties with an interest in a matter pending before a division of the Tax Commission may submit a settlement agreement for review and approval, whether or not a petition for hearing has been filed.

2. Parties to an appeal pending before the commission may submit a settlement agreement to the presiding officer for review and approval.

3. Each settlement agreement shall be in writing and executed by each party or each party's legal representative, if any, and shall contain:

a) the nature of the claim being settled and any claims remaining in dispute;

b) a proposed order for commission approval; and

c) a statement that each party has been notified of, and allowed to participate in settlement negotiations.

4. A settlement agreement terminates the administrative action on the issues settled before all administrative remedies are exhausted, and, therefore, precludes judicial review of the issues. Each settlement agreement shall contain a statement that the agreement is binding and constitutes full resolution of all issues agreed upon in the settlement agreement.

5. The signed agreement shall stay further proceedings on the issues agreed upon in the settlement until the agreement is accepted or rejected by the commission or the commission's designee.

a) If approved, the settlement agreement shall take effect by its own terms.

b) If rejected, action on the claim shall proceed as if no settlement agreement had been reached. Offers made during the negotiation process will not be used as an admission against that party in further adjudicative proceedings.

R861-1A-34. Private Letter Rulings Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. Section 59-1-210.

A. Private letter rulings are written, informational statements of the commission's interpretation of statutes or administrative rules, or informational statements concerning the application of statutes and rules to specific facts and circumstances.

1. Private letter rulings address questions that have not otherwise been addressed in statutes, rules, or decisions issued by the commission.

2. The commission shall not knowingly issue a private letter ruling on a matter pending before the commission in an audit assessment, refund request, or other agency action, or regarding matters that are pending before the court on judicial review of a commission decision. Any private letter ruling inadvertently issued on a matter pending agency or judicial action shall be set aside until the conclusion of that action.

3. Requests for private letter rulings must be addressed to the commission in writing. If the requesting party is dissatisfied with the ruling, that party may resubmit the request along with new facts or information for commission review.

B. The weight afforded a private letter ruling in a subsequent audit or administrative appeal depends upon the degree to which the underlying facts addressed in the ruling were adequate to allow thorough consideration of the issues and interests involved.

C. A private letter ruling is not a final agency action. Petitioner must use the designated appeal process to address judiciable controversies arising from the issuance of a private letter ruling.

1. If the private letter ruling leads to a denial of a claim, an audit assessment, or some other agency action at a divisional level, the taxpayer must use the appeals procedures to challenge that action within 30 days of the final division decision.

2. If the only matter at issue in the private letter ruling is a challenge to the commission's interpretation of statutory language or a challenge to the commission's authority under a statute, the matter may come before the commission as a petition for declaratory order submitted within 30 days of the date of the ruling challenged.

R861-1A-35. Manner of Retaining Records Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. Sections 59-1-210, 59-5-104, 59-5-204, 59-6-104, 59-7-506, 59-8-105, 59-8a-105, 59-10-501, 59-12-111, 59-13-211, 59-13-312, 59-13-403, 59-14-303, and 59-15-105.

A. Definitions.

1. "Database Management System" means a software system that controls, relates, retrieves, and provides accessibility to data stored in a database.

2. "Electronic data interchange" or "EDI technology" means the computer-to-computer exchange of business transactions in a standardized, structured electronic format.

3. "Hard copy" means any documents, records, reports, or other data printed on paper.

4. "Machine-sensible record" means a collection of related information in an electronic format. Machine-sensible records do not include hard-copy records that are created or recorded on paper or stored in or by an imaging system such as microfilm, microfiche, or storage-only imaging systems.

5. "Storage-only imaging system" means a system of computer hardware and software that provides for the storage, retention, and retrieval of documents originally created on paper. It does not include any system, or part of a system, that manipulates or processes any information or data contained on the document in any manner other than to reproduce the document in hard copy or as an optical image.

6. "Taxpayer" means the person required, under Title 59 or other statutes administered by the Tax Commission, to collect, remit, or pay the tax or fee to the Tax Commission.

B. If a taxpayer retains records in both machine-sensible and hard-copy formats, the taxpayer shall make the records available to the commission in machine-sensible format upon request by the commission.

C. Nothing in this rule shall be construed to prohibit a taxpayer from demonstrating tax compliance with traditional hard-copy documents or reproductions thereof, in whole or in part, whether or not the taxpayer also has retained or has the capability to retain records on electronic or other storage media in accordance with this rule. However, this does not relieve the taxpayer of the obligation to comply with B.

D. Recordkeeping requirements for machine-sensible records.

1. Machine-sensible records used to establish tax compliance shall contain sufficient transaction-level detail information so that the details underlying the machine-sensible records can be identified and made available to the commission upon request. A taxpayer has discretion to discard duplicated records and redundant information provided its responsibilities under this rule are met.

2. At the time of an examination, the retained records must be capable of being retrieved and converted to a standard record format.

3. Taxpayers are not required to construct machine-sensible records other than those created in the ordinary course of business. A taxpayer who does not create the electronic equivalent of a traditional paper document in the ordinary course of business is not required to construct such a record for tax purposes.

4. Electronic Data Interchange Requirements.

a) Where a taxpayer uses electronic data interchange processes and technology, the level of record detail, in combination with other records related to the transactions, must be equivalent to that contained in an acceptable paper record.

b) For example, the retained records should contain such information as vendor name, invoice date, product description, quantity purchased, price, amount of tax, indication of tax status, and shipping detail. Codes may be used to identify some or all of the data elements, provided that the taxpayer provides a method that allows the commission to interpret the coded information.

c) The taxpayer may capture the information necessary to satisfy D.4.b) at any level within the accounting system and need not retain the original EDI transaction records provided the audit trail, authenticity, and integrity of the retained records can be established. For example, a taxpayer using electronic data interchange technology receives electronic invoices from its suppliers. The taxpayer decides to retain the invoice data from completed and verified EDI transactions in its accounts payable system rather than to retain the EDI transactions themselves. Since neither the EDI transaction nor the accounts payable system captures information from the invoice pertaining to product description and vendor name, i.e., they contain only codes for that information, the taxpayer also retains other records, such as its vendor master file and product code description lists and makes them available to the commission. In this example, the taxpayer need not retain its EDI transaction for tax purposes.

5. Electronic data processing systems requirements.

a) The requirements for an electronic data processing accounting system should be similar to that of a manual accounting system, in that an adequately designed accounting system should incorporate methods and records that will satisfy the requirements of this rule.

6. Business process information.

a) Upon the request of the commission, the taxpayer shall provide a description of the business process that created the retained records. The description shall include the relationship between the records and the tax documents prepared by the taxpayer, and the measures employed to ensure the integrity of the records.

b) The taxpayer shall be capable of demonstrating:

(1) the functions being performed as they relate to the flow of data through the system;

(2) the internal controls used to ensure accurate and reliable processing; and

(3) the internal controls used to prevent unauthorized addition, alteration, or deletion of retained records.

c) The following specific documentation is required for machine-sensible records retained pursuant to this rule:

(1) record formats or layouts;

(2) field definitions, including the meaning of all codes used to represent information;

(3) file descriptions, e.g., data set name; and

(4) detailed charts of accounts and account descriptions.

E. Records maintenance requirements.

1. The commission recommends but does not require that taxpayers refer to the National Archives and Record Administration's (NARA) standards for guidance on the maintenance and storage of electronic records, such as labeling of records, the location and security of the storage environment, the creation of back-up copies, and the use of periodic testing to confirm the continued integrity of the records. The NARA standards may be found at 36 C.F.R., Section 1234,(1995).

2. The taxpayer's computer hardware or software shall accommodate the extraction and conversion of retained machine-sensible records.

F. Access to machine-sensible records.

1. The manner in which the commission is provided access to machine-sensible records as required in B. may be satisfied through a variety of means that shall take into account a taxpayer's facts and circumstances through consultation with the taxpayer.

2. Access will be provided in one or more of the following manners:

a) The taxpayer may arrange to provide the commission with the hardware, software, and personnel resources necessary to access the machine-sensible records.

b) The taxpayer may arrange for a third party to provide the hardware, software, and personnel resources necessary to access the machine-sensible records.

c) The taxpayer may convert the machine-sensible records to a standard record format specified by the commission, including copies of files, on a magnetic medium that is agreed to by the commission.

d) The taxpayer and the commission may agree on other means of providing access to the machine-sensible records.

G. Taxpayer responsibility and discretionary authority.

1. In conjunction with meeting the requirements of D., a taxpayer may create files solely for the use of the commission. For example, if a data base management system is used, it is consistent with this rule for the taxpayer to create and retain a file that contains the transaction-level detail from the data base management system and meets the requirements of D. The taxpayer should document the process that created the separate file to show the relationship between that file and the original records.

2. A taxpayer may contract with a third party to provide custodial or management services of the records. The contract shall not relieve the taxpayer of its responsibilities under this rule.

H. Alternative storage media.

1. For purposes of storage and retention, taxpayers may convert hard-copy documents received or produced in the normal course of business and required to be retained under this rule to microfilm, microfiche or other storage-only imaging systems and may discard the original hard-copy documents, provided the conditions of this section are met. Documents that may be stored on these media include general books of account, journals, voucher registers, general and subsidiary ledgers, and supporting records of details, such as sales invoices, purchase invoices, exemption certificates, and credit memoranda.

2. Microfilm, microfiche and other storage-only imaging systems shall meet the following requirements:

a) Documentation establishing the procedures for converting the hard-copy documents to microfilm, microfiche, or other storage-only imaging system must be maintained and made available on request. This documentation shall, at a minimum, contain a sufficient description to allow an original document to be followed through the conversion system as well as internal procedures established for inspection and quality assurance.

b) Procedures must be established for the effective identification, processing, storage, and preservation of the stored documents and for making them available for the period they are required to be retained.

c) Upon request by the commission, a taxpayer must provide facilities and equipment for reading, locating, and reproducing any documents maintained on microfilm, microfiche, or other storage-only imaging system.

d) When displayed on equipment or reproduced on paper, the documents must exhibit a high degree of legibility and readability. For this purpose, legibility is defined as the quality of a letter or numeral that enables the observer to identify it positively and quickly to the exclusion of all other letters or numerals. Readability is defined as the quality of a group of letters or numerals being recognizable as words or complete numbers.

e) All data stored on microfilm, microfiche, or other storage-only imaging systems must be maintained and arranged in a manner that permits the location of any particular record.

f) There is no substantial evidence that the microfilm, microfiche or other storage-only imaging system lacks authenticity or integrity.

I. Effect on hard-copy recordkeeping requirements.

1. Except as otherwise provided in this section, the provisions of this rule do not relieve taxpayers of the responsibility to retain hard-copy records that are created or received in the ordinary course of business as required by existing law and regulations. Hard-copy records may be retained on a recordkeeping medium as provided in H.

2. Hard-copy records not produced or received in the ordinary course of transacting business, e.g., when the taxpayer uses electronic data interchange technology, need not be created.

3. Hard-copy records generated at the time of a transaction using a credit or debit card must be retained unless all the details necessary to determine correct tax liability relating to the transaction are subsequently received and retained by the taxpayer in accordance with this rule. These details include those listed in D.4.a) and D.4.b).

4. Computer printouts that are created for validation, control, or other temporary purposes need not be retained.

5. Nothing in this section shall prevent the commission from requesting hard-copy printouts in lieu of retained machine-sensible records at the time of examination.

R861-1A-36. Signatures Defined Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. Sections 41-1a-209, 59-10-512, 59-12-107, 59-13-206, and 59-13-307.

A. "TaxExpress" means the filing of tax returns and tax payment information by telephone and Internet web site.

B. Taxpayers who file tax return information, other than electronic funds transfers, through the Tax Commission's TaxExpress system shall use the Tax Commission assigned personal identification number as their signature for all tax return information filed through that system.

C. Individuals who submit an application to renew their vehicle registration on the Internet web site authorized by the Tax Commission shall use the Tax Commission assigned personal identification number included with their registration renewal information as their signature for the renewal application submitted over the Internet.

D. Taxpayers who use the Tax Commission authorized Internet web site to file tax return information for tax types that may be filed on that web site shall use the personal identification number provided by the Tax Commission as their signature for the tax return information filed on that web site.

E. Taxpayers who file an individual income tax return electronically and who met the signature requirement of the Internal Revenue Service shall be deemed to meet the signature requirement of Section 59-10-512.

R861-1A-37. Provisions Relating to Disclosure of Commercial Information Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. Section 59-1-404.

(1) The provisions of this rule apply to the disclosure of commercial information under Section 59-1-404. For disclosure of information other than commercial information, see rule R861-1A-12.

(2) For purposes of Section 59-1-404, "assessed value of the property" includes any value proposed for a property.

(3) For purposes of Subsection 59-1-404(2), "disclosure" does not include the issuance by the commission of a decision, order, or private letter ruling containing commercial information to a:

(a) named party of a decision or order;

(b) party requesting a private letter ruling; or

(c) designated representative of a party described in (3)(a) or (3)(b).

(4) For purposes of Subsection 59-1-404(6), "published decision" does not include the issuance by the commission of a decision, order, or private letter ruling containing commercial information to a:

(a) named party of a decision or order;

(b) party requesting a private letter ruling; or

(c) designated representative of a party described in (4)(a) or (4)(b).

(5) Information that may be disclosed under Section 59-1-404(3) includes:

(a) the following information related to the property's tax exempt status:

(i) information provided on the application for property tax exempt status;

(ii) information used in the determination of whether a property tax exemption should be granted or revoked; and

(iii) any other information related to a property's property tax exemption;

(b) the following information related to penalty or interest relating to property taxes that the commission or county legislative body determines should be abated:

(i) the amount of penalty or interest that is abated;

(ii) information provided on an application or request for abatement of penalty or interest;

(iii) information used in the determination of the abatement of penalty or interest; and

(iv) any other information related to the amount of penalty or interest that is abated; and

(c) the following information related to the amount of property tax due on property:

(i) the amount of taxes refunded or deducted as an erroneous or illegal assessment under Section 59-2-1321;

(ii) information provided on an application or request that property has been erroneously or illegally assessed under Section 59-2-1321; and

(iii) any other information related to the amount of taxes refunded or deducted under (5)(c)(i).

(6)(a) Except as provided in (6)(b), commercial information disclosed during an action or proceeding may not be disclosed outside the action or proceeding by any person conducting or participating in the action or proceeding.

(b) Notwithstanding (6)(a), commercial information contained in a decision issued by the commission may be disclosed outside the action or proceeding if all of the parties named in the decision agree in writing to the disclosure.

(7) The commission may disclose commercial information in a published decision as follows.

(a) If the property taxpayer that provided the commercial information does not respond in writing to the commission within 30 days of the decision's issuance, requesting that the commercial information not be published and identifying the specific commercial information the taxpayer wants protected, the commission may publish the entire decision.

(b) If the property taxpayer that provided the commercial information indicates to the commission in writing the specific commercial information that the taxpayer wants protected, the commission may publish a version of the decision that contains commercial information not identified by the taxpayer under (7)(a).

(8) The commission may share commercial information gathered from returns and other written statements with the federal government, any other state, any of the political subdivisions of another state, or any political subdivision of this state, if these political subdivisions, or the federal government grant substantially similar privileges to this state.

R861-1A-38. Class Actions Pursuant to Utah Code Ann.

Section 59-1-304.

A. Unless the limitations of Section 59-1-304(2) apply, the commission may expedite the exhaustion of administrative remedies required by individuals desiring to be included as a member of the class.

B. In expediting exhaustion of administrative remedies, the commission may take any of the following actions:

1. publish sample claim forms that provide the information necessary to process a claim in a form that will reduce the burden on members of the putative class and expedite processing by the commission;

2. provide for waiver of initial hearings where requested by any party;

3. provide for expedited rulings on motions for summary judgment where the facts are not contested and the legal issues have been previously determined by the commission in ruling on the case brought by class representatives. The parties may waive oral hearing and have final orders issued based upon information submitted in the claims and division responses;

4. consolidate the cases for hearing at the commission, where a group of claims presents identical legal issues and it is agreed by the parties that the resolution of the legal issues would be dispositive of the claims;

5. designate a claim as a test or sample claim with any rulings on that test or sample claim to be applicable to all other similar claims, upon agreement of the claiming parties; or

6. any other action not listed in this rule if that action is not contrary to procedures required by statute.

R861-1A-39. Penalty for Failure to File a Return Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. Sections 10-1-405, 59-1-401, 59-12-118, and 69-2-5.

(1)(a) Subject to Subsection (1)(b), "failure to file a tax return," for purposes of the penalty for failure to file a tax return under Subsection 59-1-401(1) includes a tax return that does not contain information necessary for the commission to make a correct distribution of tax revenues to counties, cities, and towns.

(b) Subsection (1)(a) applies to a tax return filed under:

(i) Chapter 12, Sales and Use Tax Act;

(ii) Title 10, Chapter 1, Part 4, Municipal Telecommunications License Tax Act; or

(iii) Title 69, Chapter 2, Emergency Telephone Service Law.

(2)(a) "Unpaid tax," for purposes of the penalty for failure to file a tax return under Subsection 59-1-401(1) includes tax remitted to the commission under Subsection (2)(b) that is:

(i) not accompanied by a tax return; or

(ii) accompanied by a tax return that is subject to the penalty for failure to file a tax return.

(b) Subsection (2)(a) applies to a tax remitted under:

(i) Chapter 12, Sales and Use Tax Act;

(ii) Title 10, Chapter 1, Part 4, Municipal Telecommunications License Tax Act; or

(iii) Title 69, Chapter 2, Emergency Telephone Service Law.

R861-1A-40. Waiver of Requirement to Post Security Prior to Judicial Review Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. Section 59-1-611.

(1) "Post security" is as defined in Section 59-1-611.

(2)(a) A taxpayer that seeks judicial review of a final commission determination of a deficiency may apply for a waiver of the requirement to post security with the commission by:

(i) submitting a letter requesting the waiver;

(ii) providing financial information requested by the commission; and

(iii) providing a copy of the financial information to the attorney general that is representing the commission in the judicial review.

(b) The financial information described in Subsection (2)(a) shall be signed by the taxpayer under penalties of perjury.

(3) Upon review of the financial information described in Subsection (2), the commission shall:

(a) determine whether the taxpayer qualifies for a waiver of the requirement to post security with the commission; or

(b) if unable to make the determination under Subsection (3)(a) from the financial information, request additional information from the taxpayer as necessary to make that determination.

R861-1A-41. Date of Assessment Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. Sections 59-1-302.1 and 59-1-706.

(1) Except as provided in Subsections (2) and (3), "assessment date" means the date the tax liability is posted to the records of the commission.

(2) For purposes of a tax liability determined through an audit and for which a notice of deficiency has been mailed to the taxpayer, "assessment date" means:

(a) if a petition for redetermination has not been filed, the date:

(i) 30 days after a notice of deficiency has been mailed to the taxpayer;

(ii) 90 days after a notice of deficiency has been mailed to the taxpayer if the notice is addressed to a person outside the United States or District of Columbia; or

(iii) the taxpayer agrees with the commission, in writing, on the existence and amount of a tax liability, and consents to the assessment of the tax liability; or

(b) if a petition for redetermination has been filed, the date a tax liability resulting from a final commission decision is posted to the records of the commission.

(3) In the case of interest charged to a taxpayer, "assessment date" means the assessment date of the underlying tax liability.

(4) For purposes of Subsection (2), "deficiency" is defined as:

(a) provided in Section 59-7-516 in the case of a tax imposed under Title 59, Chapter 7, Corporate Franchise and Income Taxes;

(b) provided in Section 59-10-523 in the case of a tax imposed under Title 59, Chapter 10, Individual Income Tax Act; or

(c) unless otherwise provided in statute, the amount by which the tax imposed exceeds the excess of:

(I) the sum of:

(A)(i) the amount shown as the tax by the taxpayer upon his return, if the return was made by the taxpayer and if an amount was shown on the return as the tax by the taxpayer; or

(ii) zero, if no return is filed, or the return does not show any tax; and

(B) amounts previously assessed (or collected without assessment) as a deficiency; less

(II) amounts previously abated, refunded, or otherwise repaid in respect of that tax.

(5) For purposes of Subsection (2), a notice of deficiency shall:

(a) be mailed by the commission as provided in Subsection 59-7-517(1)(a) in the case of a tax imposed under Title 59, Chapter 7, Corporate Franchise and Income Taxes;

(b) be mailed by the commission as provided in Subsections 59-10-524(1) and (2) in the case of a tax imposed under Title 59, Chapter 10, Individual Income Tax Act; or

(c)(i)(A) unless otherwise required by statute, be mailed to the taxpayer at the taxpayer's last-known address if the commission determines that there is a deficiency in a tax; and

(ii) set forth the details of the deficiency and the manner

of its computation.

(6) The commission may, at any time within the period prescribed for assessment, make a supplemental assessment if it is ascertained that an assessment is imperfect or incomplete in any material respect.

(7) The provisions of this rule apply to all taxes and fees collected by the commission unless otherwise provided by statute.

R861-1A-42. Waiver of Penalty and Interest for Reasonable Cause Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. Section 59-1-401.

(1) Procedure.

(a) A taxpayer may request a waiver of penalties or interest for reasonable cause under Section 59-1-401 if the following conditions are met:

(i) the taxpayer provides a signed statement, with appropriate supporting documentation, requesting a waiver;

(ii) the total tax owed for the period has been paid;

(iii) the tax liability is based on a return the taxpayer filed with the commission, and not on an estimate provided by the taxpayer or the commission;

(iv) the taxpayer has not previously received a waiver review for the same period; and

(v) the taxpayer demonstrates that there is reasonable cause for waiver of the penalty or interest.

(b) Upon receipt of a waiver request, the commission shall:

(i) review the request;

(ii) notify the taxpayer if additional documentation is needed to consider the waiver request; and

(iii) review the account history for prior waiver requests, taxpayer deficiencies, and historical support for the reason given.

(c) Each request for waiver is judged on its individual merits.

(d) If the request for waiver of penalty or interest is denied, the taxpayer has a right to appeal. Procedures for filing appeals are found in Title 63, Chapter 46b, Administrative Procedures Act, and commission rules.

(2) Reasonable Cause for Waiver of Interest. Grounds for waiving interest are more stringent than for penalty. To be granted a waiver of interest, the taxpayer must prove that the commission gave the taxpayer erroneous information or took inappropriate action that contributed to the error.

(3) Reasonable Cause for Waiver of Penalty. The following clearly documented circumstances may constitute reasonable cause for a waiver of penalty:

(a) Timely Mailing:

(i) The taxpayer mailed the return with payment to the commission by the due date and it was not timely delivered by the post office through no fault of the taxpayer. (ii) In cases where the taxpayer cannot document a post office error, the penalties may be waived if the taxpayer:

(A) has an excellent history of compliance;

(B) proves that sufficient funds were in the bank as of the date of payment, and the check was written in numerical order; and

(C) presents documentation showing that the return or payment was mailed timely.

(b) Wrong Filing Place: The return or payment was filed on time, but was delivered to the wrong office or agency.

(c) Death or Serious Illness:

(i) The death or serious illness of a taxpayer or a member of the taxpayer's immediate family caused the delay.

(ii) With respect to a business, trust or estate, the death or illness must have been of the individual, or the immediate family of the individual, who had sole authority to file the return.

(iii) The death or illness must have occurred on or immediately prior to the due date of the return.

(d) Unavoidable Absence: The person having sole responsibility to file the return was absent from the state due to circumstances beyond his or her control.

(e) Disaster Relief:

(i) A delay in reporting, filing, or paying was due either to a federal or state declared disaster or to a natural disaster, such as fire or accident, that results in the destruction of records or disruption of business.

(ii) If delinquency or delay is due to a federally declared disaster, federal relief guidelines shall be followed.

(iii) In the absence of federal guidelines, and for other listed disasters, the taxpayer must demonstrate the matter was corrected within a reasonable time, given the circumstances.

(f) Reliance on Erroneous Tax Commission Information:

(i) Underpayments and late filings or payments were attributable to incorrect advice obtained from the commission, unless the taxpayer gave the commission inaccurate or insufficient information.

(ii) Proof of erroneous information may be based on written communication provided by the commission or, if the taxpayer clearly documents, verbal communication. Clear documentation of verbal communication should include the dates, times, and names of commission employees who provided the erroneous information.

(iii) A failure to comply will also be excused if it is demonstrated that the taxpayer requested the necessary tax forms and instructions timely, and the commission failed to timely provide the forms and instructions requested.

(g) Tax Commission Office Visit: The taxpayer proves that before expiration of the time for filing the return or making the payment, the taxpayer visited a commission office for information or help in preparing the return and a commission employee was not available for consultation.

(h) Unobtainable Records: For reasons beyond the taxpayer's control, the taxpayer was unable to obtain records to determine the amount of tax due.

(i) Reliance on Competent Tax Advisor:

(i) The taxpayer fails to file a return after furnishing all necessary and relevant information to a competent tax advisor, who incorrectly advised the taxpayer that a return was not required.

(ii) The taxpayer is required, and has an obligation, to file the return. Reliance on a tax advisor to prepare a return does not automatically constitute reasonable cause for failure to file or pay. The taxpayer must demonstrate that ordinary business care, prudence, and diligence were exercised in determining whether to seek further advice.

(j) First Time Filer:

(i) It is the first return required to be filed and the taxes were filed and paid within a reasonable time after the due date.

(ii) The commission may also consider waiving penalties on the first return after a filing period change if the return is filed and tax is paid within a reasonable time after the due date.

(k) Bank Error:

(i) The taxpayer's bank has made an error in returning a check, making a deposit or transferring money.

(ii) A letter from the bank verifying its error is required.

(l) Compliance History:

(i) The commission will consider the taxpayer's recent history for payment, filing, and delinquencies in determining whether a penalty may be waived.

(ii) The commission will also consider whether other tax returns or reports are overdue at the time the waiver is requested.

(m) Employee Embezzlement: The taxpayer shows that failure to pay was due to employee embezzlement of the tax funds and the taxpayer was unable to obtain replacement funds from any other source.

(n) Recent Tax Law Change: The taxpayer's failure to file and pay was due to a recent change in tax law that the taxpayer

could not reasonably be expected to be aware of.

(4) Other Considerations for Determining Reasonable Cause.

(a) The commission allows for equitable considerations in determining whether reasonable cause exists to waive a penalty. Equitable considerations include:

(i) whether the commission had to take legal means to collect the taxes;

(ii) if the error is caught and corrected by the taxpayer;

(iii) the length of time between the event cited and the filing date;

(iv) typographical or other written errors; and

(v) other factors the commission deems appropriate.

(b) Other clearly supported extraordinary and unanticipated reasons for late filing or payment, which demonstrate reasonable cause and the inability to comply, may justify a waiver of the penalty.

(c) In most cases, ignorance of the law, carelessness, or forgetfulness does not constitute reasonable cause for waiver. Nonetheless, other supporting circumstances may indicate that reasonable cause for waiver exists.

(d) Intentional disregard, evasion, or fraud does not constitute reasonable cause for waiver under any circumstance.

R861-1A-43. Electronic Meetings Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. Section 52-4-207.

The commission may convene an electronic meeting if all of the following conditions are met:

(1) the purpose of the meeting is to discuss a commission administrative rule;

(2) two commissioners are present at a single anchor location; and

(3) the number of separate connections for commissioners who are not present at the anchor location is no more than two.

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R865. Tax Commission, Auditing.
R865-6F. Franchise Tax.
R865-6F-1. Corporation Franchise Privilege - Right to Do Business - Nature of Liability and How Terminated Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. Sections 16-10a-1501 through 16-10a-1533.

A. The Utah franchise tax is imposed upon corporations qualified or incorporated under the laws of Utah, whether or not they do business therein, and also upon corporations doing business in Utah, whether or not they are qualified or incorporated under the laws of Utah.

1. An unqualified foreign corporation doing business in this state is liable for Utah corporation franchise tax in the same amount as if it had duly applied for and received a certificate of authority to transact business in this state pursuant to Section 16-10a-1501.

2. An unqualified foreign corporation deriving income from this state, but not doing business in this state within the contemplation of the Utah corporation franchise tax law is subject to the Utah corporation income tax on income derived from this state under the provisions of Sections 59-7-201 to 59-7-207.

B. If a corporation received its corporate authority to do business in Utah prior to January 1, 1973, and is a member of an affiliated group filing a combined report under Section 59-7-402 or 59-7-403, and legally terminates its corporate authority, it must include its activity during the final year in the combined report of the group. The tax is imposed upon the income of the group rather than the income of the individual corporations.

C. A corporation that was incorporated, qualified, or that reinstated its corporate authority to do business in Utah after January 1, 1973 must file a corporation franchise tax return and pay the tax due with the return for the year in which it legally terminates its right to do business in this state. The Tax Commission shall not issue a tax clearance certificate until the final return has been filed and the amounts due for the final year are paid.

D. For Utah corporation franchise tax purposes, a foreign corporation terminates its corporate existence or the privileges for which the franchise tax is levied (unless it continues to do business) on the date on which:

1. a certificate of withdrawal is issued under the provisions of Section 16-10a-1520;

2. its corporate existence is legally terminated in its home state, provided authoritative evidence of that termination is filed;

3. a certificate of revocation of its authority to transact business in this state is issued under the provisions of Sections 16-10a-1530 and 16-10a-1531; or

4. the corporate powers, rights, and privileges are forfeited under the provisions of Section 59-7-534.

E. For Utah corporation franchise tax purposes, a corporation that is incorporated under the laws of this state terminates its corporate existence or the privilege of exercising its corporate franchise for which the franchise tax is levied on the date on which:

1. a certificate of dissolution is issued pursuant to a voluntary dissolution under the provisions of Section 16-10a-1401 or Sections 16-10a-1402 through 16-10a-1403;

2. a decree of dissolution is entered by the court pursuant to the provisions of Sections 16-10a-1430 through 16-10a-1433;

3. a certificate of merger or of consolidation (which effects the termination of the separate corporate existence of the Utah corporation) is issued pursuant to the provisions of Sections 16-10a-1101 through 16-10a-1107; or

4. the corporate rights and privileges are suspended under the provisions of Section 59-7-534.

F. If the corporation continues to do business in this state subsequent to any of the above dates, it is liable for franchise tax, even though doing business is not authorized, or may even be prohibited, by law. A corporation cannot avoid the franchise tax by doing business without authority which, if legally done, would subject the corporation to the tax.

R865-6F-2. Establishment of Taxable Year and Filing the First Return Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. Sections 59-7-501 and 59-7-505.

A. The period for which a corporation must file its returns for corporation franchise tax purposes is the same period under which its income is computed pursuant to Section 59-7-501.

B. The first return may cover a period of less than 12-calendar months, but may not exceed 12-calendar months. The period must end on the last day of a calendar month, except that the Tax Commission will accept returns being made using the 52-53 week method of reporting under Section 441(f), Internal Revenue Code.

C. If a corporation elects for federal purposes to end its filing period on a date that does not fall on the last day of a calendar month, the filing period for the purposes of effective dates of Utah laws ends on the last day of the month nearest to the federal year end. The Utah net income is computed based on the filing period for federal purposes, notwithstanding the Utah filing period ends on the last day of the month.

D. Except as provided in Section 59-7-505(8)(a), in the case of a domestic corporation, the first return period begins with the date of incorporation. Activity prior to date of incorporation must be reported on individual income or partnership returns or of such other entity as may be appropriate.

E. Except as provided in Section 59-7-505(8)(a), in the case of a foreign corporation, the first return period begins with the date the corporation is qualified to do business in Utah under Title 16, Chapter 10a, Part 15, or the date business within the state is commenced, whichever is the earlier.

R865-6F-6. Application of Corporation Franchise or Income Tax Acts to Qualified Corporations and to Nonqualified Foreign Corporations Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. Section 59-7-104.

A. Definitions.

1. "Ancillary activities" means those activities that serve no independent business function for the seller apart from their connection to the solicitation of orders.

2. "De minimis activities" means those activities that, when taken together, establish only a trivial connection with the taxing state. An activity conducted within Utah on a regular or systematic basis or pursuant to a company policy, whether or not in writing, shall not normally be considered trivial.

3. "In-home office" means an office or place of business located within the residence of the employee or representative of a company that satisfies the following conditions:

a) The office may not be publicly attributed to the company, or to the employee or representative of the company in an employee or representative capacity.

b) The use of the office shall be limited to soliciting and receiving orders from customers; transmitting orders outside the state for acceptance or rejection by the company; or for other activities that are protected under Public Law 86-272, 15 U.S.C. 381-384 (hereafter P.L. 86-272) and this rule.

c) Neither the company nor the employee or representative shall maintain a telephone listing or other public listing for the company within the state, nor use advertising or business literature indicating that the company or its employee or representative can be contacted at a specific address within the state. However, the normal distribution and use of business cards and stationery identifying the employee's or representative's name, address, telephone, and fax numbers and affiliation with the company shall not, by itself, be considered

as advertising or otherwise publicly attributing an office to the company or its employee or representative.

4. "Solicitation" means:

a) speech or conduct that explicitly or implicitly invites an order; and

b) activities that neither explicitly nor implicitly invite an order, but are entirely ancillary to requests for an order.

B. Every corporation doing business in Utah whether qualified or not, and every corporation incorporated or qualified in Utah whether or not doing business therein is subject to the Utah corporation franchise tax, unless exempted under the provisions of Section 59-7-102. If liability for the tax exists, the tax must be computed under the provisions of Section 59-7-104, at the rate provided by statute, but in no case shall the tax be less than the minimum tax prescribed.

C. Foreign corporations not qualified in Utah which ship goods to customers in this state from points outside this state, pursuant to orders solicited but not accepted by agents or employees in this state, and which are not doing business in Utah are not taxable under the Utah Corporation Franchise Tax Act if:

1. they maintain no office nor stocks of goods in Utah, and

2. they engage in no other activities in Utah.

D. Foreign corporations not qualified in Utah that make deliveries from stocks of goods located in this state are doing business in this state and are taxable under the Corporation Franchise Tax Act, even though they have no office or regular place of business in this state.

E. Foreign corporations not qualified in Utah are subject to the franchise tax if performing the necessary duties to fulfill contracts or subcontracts in Utah, whether through their own employees or by furnishing of supervisory personnel.

F. Corporations that own real property within this state and rent or lease such properties to others are subject to the franchise tax whether or not qualified under the laws of this state. This also applies to corporations deriving royalty, lease, or rental income from properties located within this state, whether or not such properties are owned by the corporation.

G. Foreign corporations not qualified in Utah are subject to the franchise or income tax if they derive income from revenue-producing properties located in Utah or moving through Utah or from services performed by personnel in this state. This includes, but is not limited to, freight and transportation operations, sales of real property having a Utah situs, leasing or sales of franchises, sporting or entertaining events, etc.

H. Corporations that participate in joint ventures or working and operating agreements which are performed in this state are subject to the franchise tax whether qualified or not.

I. Foreign corporations qualified in Utah are subject to the franchise tax even though engaged solely in interstate commerce.

J. P.L. 86-272 restricts a state from imposing a net income tax on income derived within its borders from interstate commerce if the only business activity of the company within the state consists of the solicitation of orders for sales of tangible personal property, which orders are sent outside the state for acceptance or rejection, and, if accepted, are filled by shipment or delivery from a point outside the state. The term "net income tax" includes a franchise tax measured by net income. If any sales of tangible personal property are made from Utah into a state which is precluded by P.L. 86-272 from taxing the income of the seller, such sales remain subject to throwback to Utah pursuant to Section 59-7-318(2). Similarly, a sale into Utah from another state would not subject a corporation to the Utah tax if the corporation's activities do not exceed those allowed under P.L. 86-272.

1. Only the solicitation to sell personal property is afforded immunity under P.L. 86-272; therefore, the leasing, renting licensing or other disposition of tangible personal property, or transactions involving intangibles such as franchises, patents, copyrights, trade marks, service marks and the like, or any other type of property are not protected activities under P. L. 86-272. The sale or delivery and the solicitation for the sale or delivery of any type of service that is not either (1) ancillary to solicitation, or (2) otherwise set forth as a protected activity below is also not protected under P.L. 86-272 or this rule.

2. For the in-state activity to be a protected activity under P.L. 86-272, it must be limited solely to solicitation, except for de minimis activities and activities conducted by independent contractors as described below.

K. The following in-state activities, assuming they are not of a de minimis level, will constitute doing business in Utah under P.L. 86-272 and will subject the corporation to the Utah corporation franchise tax:

1. making repairs or providing maintenance or service to the property sold or to be sold;

2. collecting current or delinquent accounts, whether directly or by third parties, through assignment or otherwise;

3. investigating credit worthiness;

4. installation or supervision of installation at or after shipment or delivery;

5. conducting training courses, seminars, or lectures for personnel other than personnel involved only in solicitation;

6. providing any kind of technical assistance or service including engineering assistance or design service, when one of the purposes thereof is other than the facilitation of the solicitation of orders;

7. investigating, handling, or otherwise assisting in resolving customer complaints, other than mediating direct customer complaints when the sole purpose of such mediation is to ingratiate the sales personnel with the customer;

8. approving or accepting orders;

9. repossessing property;

10. securing deposits on sales;

11. picking up or replacing damaged or returned property;

12. hiring, training, or supervising personnel, other than personnel involved only in solicitation;

13. using agency stock checks or any other instrument or process by which sales are made within this state by sales personnel;

14. maintaining a sample or display room in excess of two weeks (14 days) at any one location within the state during the tax year;

15. carrying samples for sale, exchange or distribution in any manner for consideration or other value;

16. owning, leasing, using, or maintaining any of the following facilities or property in-state:

(a) repair shop;

(b) parts department;

(c) any kind of office other than an in-home office;

(d) warehouse;

(e) meeting place for directors, officers, or employees;

(f) stock of goods other than samples for sales personnel or that are used entirely ancillary to solicitation;

(g) telephone answering service that is publicly attributed to the company or to employees or agents of the company in their representative status;

(h) mobile stores, i.e., vehicles with drivers who are sales personnel making sales from the vehicles;

(i) real property or fixtures to real property of any kind.

17. consigning stocks of goods or other tangible personal property to any person, including an independent contractor, for sale;

18. maintaining, by either an in-state or an out-of-state resident employee, an office or place of business (in-home or otherwise) of any kind other than an in-home office;

(b) The maintenance of any office or other place of business in this state that does not strictly qualify as an in-home

office under this subsection shall, by itself cause the loss of protection under this rule.

(c) For purposes of this subsection it is not relevant whether the company pays directly, indirectly, or not at all for the cost of maintaining the in-home office.

19. entering into franchising of licensing agreements; selling or otherwise disposing of franchises and licenses; or selling or otherwise transferring tangible personal property pursuant to such franchise or license by the franchisor or licensor to its franchisee or licensee within the state;

20. shipping or delivering of goods into this state by means of private vehicle, rail, water, air or other carrier, irrespective of whether a shipment of delivery fee or other charge is imposed, directly or indirectly, upon the purchaser;

21. conducting any activity not listed as a protected activity below which is not entirely ancillary to requests for orders, even if such activity helps to increase purchases.

L. The following in-state activities will not cause the loss of protection for otherwise protected sales;

1. soliciting orders for sales by any type of advertising;

2. soliciting of orders by an in-state resident employee or representative of the company, so long as such person does not maintain or use any office or other place of business in the state other than an in-home office;

3. carrying samples and promotional materials only for display or distribution without charge or other consideration;

4. furnishing and setting up display racks and advising customers on the display of the company's products without charge or other consideration;

5. providing automobiles to sales personnel for their use in conducting protected activities;

6. passing orders, inquiries and complaints on to the home office;

7. missionary sales activities, i.e. the solicitation of indirect customers for the company's goods. For example, a manufacturer's solicitation of retailers to buy the manufacturer's goods from the manufacturer's wholesale customers would be protected if such solicitation activities are otherwise immune;

8. coordinating shipment or delivery without payment or other consideration and providing information relating thereto either prior or subsequent to the placement of an order;

9. checking of customer's inventories without a charge therefore if performed for reorder, but not for other purposes such as a quality control;

10. maintaining a sample or display room for two weeks (14 days) or less at any one location within the state during the tax year;

11. recruiting, training or evaluating sales personnel, including occasionally using homes, hotels or similar places for meetings with sales personnel;

12. mediating direct customer complaints when the purpose thereof is solely for ingratiating the sales personnel with the customer and facilitating requests for orders;

13. owning, leasing, using or maintaining personal property for use in the employee or representative's in-home office or automobile that is solely limited to the conducting of protected activities. Therefore, the use of personal property such as a cellular telephone, facsimile machine, duplicating equipment, personal computer and computer software that is limited to the carrying on of protected solicitation and activity entirely ancillary to such solicitation or permitted by the provisions of this rule shall not, by itself, remove the protection of P.L. 86-272.

M. P.L. 86-272 provides protection to certain in-state activities if conducted by an independent contractor that would not be afforded if performed by the company or its employees or other representatives.

1. Independent contractors may engage in the following limited activities in the state without the company's loss of immunity;

a) soliciting sales;

b) making sales;

c) maintaining an office.

2. Sales representatives who represent a single principal are not considered to be independent contractors and are subject to the same limitations as those provided under P.L. 86-272 and this rule.

3. Maintenance of stock of goods in the state by the independent contractor under consignment or any other type of arrangement with the company, except for purposes of display and solicitation, shall remove the protection.

N. The Tax Commission will apply the provisions of P.L. 86-272 and of this rule to business activities conducted in foreign commerce. Therefore, whether business activities are conducted by (i) a foreign or domestic company selling tangible personal property into a county outside of the United States from a point within this state or by (ii) either company selling such property into this state from a point outside of the United States, the principles under this rule apply equally to determine whether the sales transactions are protected and the company immune from taxation in either this state or in the foreign county, as the case might be, and whether, if applicable, the throwback provisions of Section 59-7-318(2) will apply.

O. The protection afforded by P.L. 86-272 and the provisions of this rule do not apply to any corporation that is incorporated or domiciled in this state.

P. A company that registers or otherwise formally qualifies to do business within this state does not, by that fact alone, lose its protection under P.L. 86-272. Where, separate from or ancillary to such registration or qualification, the company receives and seeks to use or protect any additional benefit or protection from this state through activity not otherwise protected under P.L. 86-272 or this rule, such protection shall be removed.

Q. The protection afforded under P.L. 86-272 and the provisions of this rule shall be determined on a year by year tax basis. Therefore, if at any time during a tax year the company conducts activities that are not protected under P.L. 86-272 or this rule, no sales in this state or income earned by the company attributed to this state during any part of said tax year shall be protected from taxation for purposes of the corporate franchise tax.

R865-6F-8. Allocation and Apportionment of Net Income (Uniform Division of Income for Tax Purposes Act) Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. Sections 59-7-302 through 59-7-321.

(1) Definitions.

(a) "Allocation" means the assignment of nonbusiness income to a particular state.

(b) "Apportionment" means the division of business income between states by the use of a formula containing apportionment factors.

(c) "Base of operations" means the place of more or less permanent nature from which the employee starts work and to which the employee customarily returns in order to receive instructions from the taxpayer or communications from customers or other persons, or to replenish stock or other materials, repair equipment, or perform any other function necessary to the exercise of his trade or profession at some other point or points.

(d) "Business activity" refers to the transactions and activities occurring in the regular course of a particular trade or business of a taxpayer, or to the acquisition, management, and disposition of property that constitute integral parts of the taxpayer's regular trade or business operations.

(e) "Business income" means income of any type or class, and from any activity, that meets the relationship described in Subsection (2)(b), the transactional test, or Subsection (2)(c),

the functional test. The classification of income by the labels occasionally used, such as manufacturing income, compensation for services, sales income, interest, dividends, rents, royalties, gains, operating income, and nonoperating income is of no aid in determining whether income is business or nonbusiness income.

(f) "Compensation" means wages, salaries, commissions, and any other form of remuneration paid to employees for personal services.

(g) "Employee" means an:

(i) officer of a corporation; or

(ii) individual who, under the usual common law rules applicable in determining the employer-employee relationship, has the status of an employee.

(h) "Gross receipts" are the gross amounts realized (the sum of money and the fair market value of other property or services received) on the sale or exchange of property, the performance of services, or the use of property or capital (including rents, royalties, interest and dividends) in a transaction that produces business income, in which the income or loss is recognized (or would be recognized if the transaction were in the United States) under the Internal Revenue Code. Amounts realized on the sale or exchange or property are not reduced for the cost of goods sold or the basis of property sold.

(i) Gross receipts, even if business income, do not include such items as, for example:

(A) repayment, maturity, or redemption of the principal of a loan, bond, or mutual fund or certificate of deposit or similar marketable instrument;

(B) the principal amount received under a repurchase agreement or other transaction properly characterized as a loan;

(C) proceeds from issuance of the taxpayer's own stock or from sale of treasury stock;

(D) damages and other amounts received as the result of litigation;

(E) property acquired by an agent on behalf of another;

(F) tax refunds and other tax benefit recoveries;

(G) pension reversions;

(H) contributions to capital (except for sales of securities by securities dealers);

(I) income from forgiveness of indebtedness; or

(J) amounts realized from exchanges of inventory that are not recognized by the Internal Revenue Code.

(ii) Exclusion of an item from the definition of "gross receipts" is not determinative of its character as business or nonbusiness income. Nothing in this definition shall be construed to modify, impair or supersede any provision of Subsection (11).

(i) "Nonbusiness income" means all income other than business income.

(j) "Place from which the service is directed or controlled" means the place from which the power to direct or control is exercised by the taxpayer.

(k) "Taxpayer" means a corporation as defined in Section 59-7-101.

(l) "To contribute materially" includes being used operationally in the taxpayer's trade or business. Whether property contributes materially is not determined by reference to the property's value or percentage of use. If an item of property contributes materially to the taxpayer's trade or business, the attributes, rights, or components of that property are also operationally used in that business. However, property that is held for mere financial betterment is not operationally used in the taxpayer's trade or business.

(m) "Trade or business" means the unitary business of the taxpayer, part of which is conducted within Utah.

(2) Business and Nonbusiness Income.

(a) Apportionment and Allocation. Section 59-7-303 requires that every item of income be classified as either business income or nonbusiness income. Income for purposes of classification as business or nonbusiness includes gains and losses. Business income is apportioned among jurisdictions by use of a formula. Nonbusiness income is specifically assigned or allocated to one or more specific jurisdictions pursuant to express rules. An item of income is classified as business income if it falls within the definition of business income. An item of income is nonbusiness income only if it does not meet the definitional requirements for being classified as business income.

(b) Transactional Test. Business income includes income arising from transactions and activity in the regular course of the taxpayer's trade or business.

(i) If the transaction or activity is in the regular course of the taxpayer's trade or business, part of which trade or business is conducted within the state, the resulting income of the transaction or activity is business income for Utah purposes. Income may be business income even though the actual transaction or activity that gives rise to the income does not occur in this state.

(ii) For a transaction or activity to be in the regular course of the taxpayer's trade or business, the transaction or activity need not be one that frequently occurs in the trade or business. Most, but not all, frequently occurring transactions or activities will be in the regular course of that trade or business and will, therefore, satisfy the transactional test. It is sufficient to classify a transaction or activity as being in the regular course of a trade or business if it is reasonable to conclude transactions of that type are customary in the kind of trade or business being conducted, or are within the scope of what that kind of trade or business does. However, even if a taxpayer frequently or customarily engages in investment activities, if those activities are for the taxpayer's mere financial betterment rather than for the operations of the trade or business, those activities do not satisfy the transactional test. The transactional test includes income from sales of inventory, property held for sale to customers, and services commonly sold by the trade or business. The transactional test also includes income from the sale of property used in the production of business income of a kind that is sold and replaced with some regularity, even if replaced less frequently than once a year.

(c) Functional Test. Business income also includes income from tangible and intangible property if the acquisition, management, and disposition of the property constitute integral parts of the taxpayer's regular trade or business operations.

(i) The following definitions apply to this Subsection (2)(c).

(A) "Acquisition" means the act of obtaining an interest in property.

(B) "Disposition" means the act, or the power, of relinquishing or transferring an interest in or control over property to another, either in whole or in part.

(C) "Integral part" means property that constitutes a part of the composite whole of the trade or business, each part of which gives value to every other part, in a manner that materially contributes to the production of business income.

(D) "Management" means the oversight, direction, or control, whether directly or by delegation, of the property for the use or benefit of the trade or business.

(E) "Property" includes an interest in, control over, or use of property, whether the interest is held directly, beneficially, by contract, or otherwise, that materially contributes to the production of business income.

(ii) Under the functional test, business income need not be derived from transactions or activities that are in the regular course of the taxpayer's own particular trade or business. It is sufficient, if the property from which the income is derived is or was an integral, functional, or operative component used in the taxpayer's trade or business operations, or otherwise materially

contributed to the production of business income of the trade or business, part of which trade or business is or was conducted within the state. Property that has been converted to nonbusiness use through the passage of a sufficiently lengthy period of time, generally five years, or that has been removed as an operational asset and is instead held by the taxpayer's trade or business exclusively for investment purposes, has lost its character as a business asset and is not subject to this subsection. Property that was an integral part of the trade or business is not considered converted to investment purposes merely because it is placed for sale.

(iii) Income that is derived from isolated sales, leases, assignments, licenses, and other infrequently occurring dispositions, transfers, or transactions involving property, including transactions made in liquidation or the winding-up of business, is business income if the property is or was used in the taxpayer's trade or business operations.

(A) Property that has been converted to nonbusiness use has lost its character as a business asset and is not subject to Subsection (2)(c)(iii).

(B) Income from the licensing of an intangible asset, such as a patent, copyright, trademark, service mark, know-how, trade secrets, or the like, that was developed or acquired for use by the taxpayer in its trade or business operations, constitutes business income whether or not the licensing itself constituted the operation of a trade or business, and whether or not the taxpayer remains in the same trade or business from or for which the intangible asset was developed or acquired.

(iv) Under the functional test, income from intangible property is business income when the intangible property serves an operational function as opposed to solely an investment function. The relevant inquiry focuses on whether the property is or was held in furtherance of the taxpayer's trade or business, that is, on the objective characteristics of the intangible property's use or acquisition and its relation to the taxpayer and the taxpayer's activities. The functional test is not satisfied where the holding of the property is limited to solely an investment function as is the case where the holding of the property is limited to mere financial betterment of the taxpayer in general.

(v) If the property is or was held in furtherance of the taxpayer's trade or business beyond mere financial betterment, income from that property may be business income even though the actual transaction or activity involving the property that gives rise to the income does not occur in this state.

(vi) If with respect to an item of property a taxpayer takes a deduction from business income that is apportioned to this state, or includes the original cost in the property factor, it is presumed that the item of property is or was integral to the taxpayer's trade or business operations. No presumption arises from the absence of any of these actions.

(vii) Application of the functional test is generally unaffected by the form of the property, whether tangible or intangible, real or personal. Income arising from an intangible interest, for example, corporate stock or other intangible interest in a business or a group of assets, is business income when the intangible itself or the property underlying or associated with the intangible is or was an integral, functional, or operative component of the taxpayer's trade or business operations.

(A) Property that has been converted to nonbusiness use has lost its character as a business asset and is not subject to this Subsection (2)(c)(vii).

(B) While apportionment of income derived from transactions involving intangible property as business income may be supported by a finding that the issuer of the intangible property and the taxpayer are engaged in the same trade or business, that is, the same unitary business, establishment of that relationship is not the exclusive basis for concluding that the income is subject to apportionment.

(C) It is sufficient to support the finding of apportionable income if the holding of the intangible interest served an operational rather than an investment function of mere financial betterment.

(d) Relationship of Transactional Test and Functional Tests to the United States Constitution.

(i) The due process clause and the commerce clause of the United States Constitution restrict states from apportioning income as business income that has no rational relationship with the taxing state. The protection against extra-territorial state taxation afforded by these clauses is often described as the unitary business principle. The unitary business principle requires apportionable income to be derived from the same unitary business that is being conducted as least in part in the state.

(ii) The unitary business conducted in this state includes both a unitary business that the taxpayer alone may be conducting and a unitary business the taxpayer may conduct with any other person. Satisfaction of either the transactional test or the functional test complies with the unitary business principle, because each test requires that the transaction or activity, in the case of the transactional test, or the property, in the case of the functional test, to be tied to the same trade or business that is conducted within the state. Determination of the scope of the unitary business conducted in the state is without regard to the extent to which this state requires or permits combined reporting.

(e) Business and Nonbusiness Income Application of Definitions.

(i) Rents From Real and Tangible Personal Property. Rental income from real and tangible property is business income if the property with respect to which the rental income was received is or was used in the taxpayer's trade or business and therefore is includable in the property factor under Subsection (8)(a)(i). Property that has been converted to nonbusiness use has lost its character as a business asset and is not subject to this subsection.

(ii) Gains or Losses From Sales of Assets. Gain or loss from the sale, exchange, or other disposition of real property or of tangible or intangible personal property constitutes business income if the property while owned by the taxpayer was used in, or was otherwise included in the property factor of the taxpayer's trade or business. However, if the property was utilized for the production of nonbusiness income or it was previously included in the property factor and later removed from the property factor before its sale, exchange, or other disposition, the gain or loss constitutes nonbusiness income. See Subsection (8)(a)(ii).

(iii) Interest. Interest income is business income where the intangible with respect to which the interest was received arises out of or was created in the regular course of the taxpayer's trade or business operations, or where the purpose for acquiring and holding the intangible is an integral, functional, or operative component of the taxpayer's trade or business operations, or otherwise materially contributes to the production of business income of the trade or business operations.

(iv) Dividends. Dividends are business income where the stock with respect to which the dividends were received arose out of or was acquired in the regular course of the taxpayer's trade or business operations or where the acquiring and holding of the stock is an integral, functional, or operative component of the taxpayer's trade or business operations, or otherwise materially contributes to the production of business income of the trade or business operations.

(v) Patent and Copyright Royalties. Patent and copyright royalties are business income where the patent or copyright with respect to which the royalties were received arose out of or was created in the regular course of the taxpayer's trade or business operations or where the acquiring and holding of the patent or

copyright is an integral, functional, or operational component of the taxpayer's trade or business operations, or otherwise materially contributes to the production of business income of the trade or business operations.

(vi) Proration of Deductions. In most cases, an allowable deduction of a taxpayer will be applicable only to the business income arising from a particular trade or business or to a particular item of nonbusiness income. In some cases, an allowable deduction may be applicable to the business incomes of more than one trade or business or several items of nonbusiness income. In those cases, the deduction shall be prorated among those trades or businesses and those items of nonbusiness income in a manner that fairly distributes the deduction among the classes of income to which it is applicable.

(f)(i) A schedule must be submitted with the return showing the:

(A) gross income from each class of income being allocated;

(B) amount of each class of applicable expenses, together with explanation or computations showing how amounts were arrived at;

(C) total amount of the applicable expenses for each income class; and

(D) net income of each income class.

(ii) The schedule shall indicate items of income and expenses allocated both to the state and outside the state.

(g) Year to Year Consistency. In filing returns with the state, if the taxpayer departs from or modifies the manner of prorating any deduction used in returns for prior years in a material way, the taxpayer shall disclose in the return for the current year the nature and extent of the modification.

(h) State to State Consistency. If the returns or reports filed by a taxpayer with all states to which the taxpayer reports under the Uniform Division of Income for Tax Purposes Act are not uniform in the application or proration of any deduction, the taxpayer shall disclose in its return to this state the nature and extent of any material variance.

(3) Unitary Business.

(a) Unitary Business Principle.

(i) The Concept of a Unitary Business. A unitary business is a single economic enterprise that is made up of either separate parts of a single business entity or a group of business entities related through common ownership that are sufficiently interdependent, integrated and interrelated through their activities so as to provide a synergy and mutual benefit that produces a sharing or exchange of value among them and a significant flow of value to the separate parts. This flow of value to a business entity located in this state that comes from being part of a unitary business conducted both within and without the state is what provides the constitutional due process definite link and minimum connection necessary for the state to apportion business income of the unitary business, even if that income arises in part form activities conducted outside the state. The business income of the unitary business is then apportioned to this state using an apportionment percentage provided by Section 59-7-311. This sharing or exchange of value may also be described as requiring that the operation of one part of the business be dependent upon, or contribute to, the operation of another part of the business. Phrased in the disjunctive, the foregoing means that if the activities of one business either contribute to the activities of another business or are dependent upon the activities of another business, those businesses are part of a unitary business.

(ii) Constitutional Requirement for a Unitary Business. The sharing or exchange of value described in Subsection (3)(a)(i) that defines the scope of a unitary business requires more than the mere flow of funds arising out of a passive investment or from the financial strength contributed by a distinct business undertaking that has no operational relationship to the unitary business. In this state, the unitary business principle shall be applied to the fullest extent allowed by the United States Constitution. The unitary business principle shall not be applied to result in the combination of business activities or entities under circumstances where, if it were adverse to the taxpayer, the combination of those activities or entities would not be allowed by the United States Constitution.

(iii) Separate Trades or Businesses Conducted Within a Single Entity. A single entity may have more than one unitary business. In those cases, it is necessary to determine the business, or apportionable, income attributable to each separate unitary business as well as its nonbusiness income, which is specifically allocated. The business income of each unitary business is then apportioned by a formula that takes into consideration the in-state and out-of-state factors that relate to the respective unitary business whose income is being apportioned.

(iv) Unitary Business Unaffected by Formal Business Organization. A unitary business may exist within a single business entity or among a group of business entities related through common ownership, as defined in Section 59-7-101.

(b) Determination of a Unitary Business.

(i) A unitary business is characterized by significant flows of value evidenced by factors such as those described in Mobil Oil Corp. v. Vermont, 445 US 425 (1980): functional integration, centralization of management, and economies of scale. These factors provide evidence of whether the business activities operate as an integrated whole or exhibit substantial mutual interdependence. Facts suggesting the presence of the factors mentioned above should be analyzed in combination for their cumulative effect and not in isolation. A particular characteristic of a business operation may be suggestive of one or more of the factors mentioned above.

(ii) Description and Illustration of Functional Integration, Centralization of Management, and Economies of Scale.

(A) Functional Integration. Functional integration refers to transfers between, or pooling among, business activities that significantly affect the operation of the business activities. Functional integration includes transfers or pooling with respect to the unitary business's products or services, technical information, marketing information, distribution systems, purchasing, and intangibles such as patents, trademarks, service marks, copyrights, trade secrets, know-how, formulas, and processes. There is no specific type of functional integration that must be present. The following is a list of examples of business operations that support the finding of functional integration. The order of the list does not establish a hierarchy of importance.

(I) Sales, Exchanges, or Transfers. Sales, exchanges, or transfers (collectively "sales") of products, services, and intangibles between business activities provide evidence of functional integration. The significance of the intercompany sales to the finding of functional integration will be affected by the character of what is sold and the percentage of total sales or purchases represented by the intercompany sales. For example, sales among business entities that are part of a vertically integrated unitary business are indicative of functional integration. Functional integration is not negated by the use of a readily determinable market price to effect the intercompany sales, because those sales can represent an assured market for the seller or an assured source of supply for the purchaser.

(II) Common Marketing. The sharing of common marketing features among business entities is an indication of functional integration when the marketing results in significant mutual advantage. Common marketing exists when a substantial portion of the business entities' products, services, or intangibles are distributed or sold to a common customer, when the business entities use a common trade name or other common

identification, or when the business entities seek to identify themselves to their customers as a member of the same enterprise. The use of a common advertising agency or a commonly owned or controlled in-house advertising office does not by itself establish common marketing that is suggestive of functional integration. That activity, however, is relevant to determining the existence of economies of scale and centralization of management.

(III) Transfer or Pooling of Technical Information or Intellectual Property. Transfers or pooling of technical information or intellectual property, such as patents, copyrights, trademarks and service marks, trade secrets, processes or formulas, know-how, research, or development provide evidence of functional integration when the matter transferred is significant to the businesses' operations.

(IV) Common Distribution System. Use of a common distribution system by the business entities, under which inventory control and accounting, storage, trafficking, or transportation are controlled through a common network provides evidence of functional integration.

(V) Common Purchasing. Common purchasing of substantial quantities of products, services, or intangibles from the same source by the business entities, particularly where the purchasing results in significant cost savings and is significant to each entity's operations or sales, provides evidence of functional integration.

(VI) Common or Intercompany Financing. Significant common or intercompany financing, including the guarantee by, or the pledging of the credit of, one or more business entities for the benefit of another business entity or entities provides evidence of functional integration, if the financing activity serves an operational purpose of both borrower and lender. Lending that serves an investment purpose of the lender does not necessarily provide evidence of functional integration.

(B) Centralization of Management. Centralization of management exists when directors, officers, and other management employees jointly participate in the management decisions that affect the respective business activities and that may also operate to the benefit of the entire economic enterprise. Centralization of management can exist whether the centralization is effected from a parent entity to a subsidiary entity, from a subsidiary entity to a parent entity, from one subsidiary entity to another, from one division within a single business entity to another division within a business entity, or from any combination of the foregoing. Centralization of management may exist even when day-to-day management responsibility and accountability has been decentralized, so long as the management has an ongoing operational role with respect to the business activities. An operational role may be effected through mandates, consensus building, or an overall operational strategy of the business, or any other mechanism that establishes joint management.

(I) Facts Providing Evidence of Centralization of Management. Evidence of centralization of management is provided when common officers participate in the decisions relating to the business operations of the different segments. Centralization of management may exist when management shares or applies knowledge and expertise among the parts of the business. Existence of common officers and directors, while relevant to a showing of centralization of management, does not alone provide evidence of centralization of management. Common officers are more likely to provide evidence of centralization of management than are common directors.

(II) Stewardship Distinguished. Centralized efforts to fulfill stewardship oversight are not evidence of centralization of management. Stewardship oversight consists of those activities that any owner would take to review the performance of or safeguard an investment. Stewardship oversight is distinguished from those activities that an owner may take to enhance value by integrating one or more significant operating aspects of one business activity with the other business activities of the owner. For example, implementing reporting requirements or mere approval of capital expenditures may evidence only stewardship oversight.

(C) Economies of Scale. Economies of scale refers to a relation among and between business activities resulting in a significant decrease in the average per unit cost of operational or administrative functions due to the increase in operational size. Economies of scale may exist from the inherent cost savings that arise from the presence of functional integration or centralization of management. The following are examples of business operations that support the finding of economies of scale. The order of the list does not establish a hierarchy of importance.

(I) Centralized Purchasing. Centralized purchasing designed to achieve savings due to the volume of purchases, the timing of purchases, or the interchangeability of purchased items among the parts of the business engaging in the purchasing provides evidence of economies of scale.

(II) Centralized Administrative Functions. The performance of traditional corporate administrative functions, such as legal services, payroll services, pension and other employee benefit administration, in common among the parts of the business may result in some degree of economies of scale. A business entity that secures savings in the performance of corporate administrative services due to its affiliation with other business entities that it would not otherwise reasonably be able to secure on its own because of its size, financial resources, or available market provides evidence of economies of scale.

(c) Indicators of a Unitary Business.

(i) Business activities that are in the same general line of business generally constitute a single unitary business, as for example, a multistate grocery chain.

(ii) Business activities that are part of different steps in a vertically structured business almost always constitute a single unitary business. For example, a business engaged in the exploration, development, extraction, and processing of a natural resource and the subsequent sale of a product based upon the extracted natural resource, is engaged in a single unitary business, regardless of the fact that the various steps in the process are operated substantially independently of each other with only general supervision from the business's executive offices.

(iii) Business activities that might otherwise be considered as part of more than one unitary business may constitute one unitary business when the factors outlined in Subsection (3)(b) are present. For example, some businesses conducting diverse lines of business may properly be considered as engaged in only one unitary business when the central executive officers are actively involved in the operations of the various business activities and there are centralized offices that perform for the business the normal matters a truly independent business would perform for itself, such as personnel, purchasing, advertising, or financing.

(4) Apportionment and Allocation.

(a)(i) If the business activity with respect to the trade or business of a taxpayer occurs both within and without this state, and if by reason of that business activity the taxpayer is taxable in another state, the portion of the net income (or net loss) arising from the trade or business derived from sources within this state shall be determined by apportionment in accordance with Sections 59-7-311 to 59-7-319.

(ii) For purposes of determining the fraction by which business income shall be apportioned to this state under Section 59-7-311:

(A) Except as provided in Subsection (4)(a)(ii)(B), if a taxpayer does not make an election to double weight the sales factor under Subsection 59-7-311(3) and one or more of the

factors listed in Subsection 59-7-311(2)(a) is missing, the fraction by which business income shall be apportioned to the state shall be determined by adding the factors present and dividing that sum by the number of factors present.

(B) If a taxpayer has made an election to double weight the sales factor under Section 59-7-311(3) and if the sales factor is present, the denominator of the fraction described in Subsection (4)(a)(ii)(A) shall be increased by one.

(b) Allocation. Any taxpayer subject to the taxing jurisdiction of this state shall allocate all of its nonbusiness income or loss within or without this state in accordance with Sections 59-7-306 to 59-7-310.

(5) Consistency and Uniformity in Reporting. In filing returns with this state, if the taxpayer departs from or modifies the manner in which income has been classified as business income or nonbusiness income in returns for prior years, the taxpayer shall disclose in the return for the current year the nature and extent of the modification. If the returns or reports filed by a taxpayer for all states to which the taxpayer reports under UDITPA are not uniform in the classification of income as business or nonbusiness income, the taxpayer shall disclose in its return to this state the nature and extent of the variance.

(6) Taxable in Another State.

(a) In General. Under Section 59-7-303 the taxpayer is subject to the allocation and apportionment provisions of UDITPA if it has income from business activity that is taxable both within and without this state. A taxpayer's income from business activity is taxable without this state if the taxpayer, by reason of business activity (i.e., the transactions and activity occurring in the regular course of the trade or business), is taxable in another state within the meaning of Section 59-7-305. A taxpayer is taxable within another state if it meets either one of two tests:

(i) if by reason of business activity in another state the taxpayer is subject to one of the types of taxes specified in Section 59-7-305(1), namely: a net income tax, a franchise tax measured by net income, a franchise tax for the privilege of doing business, or a corporate stock tax; or

(ii) if by reason of business activity another state has jurisdiction to subject the taxpayer to a net income tax, regardless of whether the state imposes that tax on the taxpayer. A taxpayer is not taxable in another state with respect to the trade or business merely because the taxpayer conducts activities in that state pertaining to the production of nonbusiness income or business activities relating to a separate trade or business.

(b) When a Taxpayer Is Subject to a Tax Under Section 59-7-305. A taxpayer is subject to one of the taxes specified in Section 59-7-305(1) if it carries on business activity in a state and that state imposes such a tax thereon. Any taxpayer that asserts that it is subject to one of the taxes specified in Section 59-7-305(1) in another state shall furnish to the Tax Commission, upon its request, evidence to support that assertion. The Tax Commission may request that the evidence include proof that the taxpayer has filed the requisite tax return in the other state and has paid any taxes imposed under the law of the other state. The taxpayer's failure to produce that proof may be taken into account in determining whether the taxpayer is subject to one of the taxes specified in Section 59-7-305(1) in the other state. If the taxpayer voluntarily files and pays one or more taxes when not required to do so by the laws of that state or pays a minimal fee for qualification, organization, or for the privilege of doing business in that state, but

(i) does not actually engage in business activity in that state, or

(ii) does actually engage in some business activity, not sufficient for nexus, and the minimum tax bears no relation to the taxpayer's business activity within that state, the taxpayer is not subject to one of the taxes specified within the meaning of Section 59-7-305(1).

(c) When a State Has Jurisdiction to Subject a Taxpayer to a Net Income Tax. The second test, that of Section 59-7-305(2), applies if the taxpayer's business activity is sufficient to give the state jurisdiction to impose a net income tax by reason of business activity under the Constitution and statutes of the United States. Jurisdiction to tax is not present where the state is prohibited from imposing the tax by reason of the provisions of Public Law 86-272, 15 U. S. C. A. Sec. 381-385 (P.L. 86-272). In the case of any state as defined in Section 59-7-302(6), other than a state of the United States or political subdivision of a state, the determination of whether a state has jurisdiction to subject the taxpayer to a net income tax shall be made as though the jurisdictional standards applicable to a state of the United States applied in that state. If jurisdiction is otherwise present, the state is not considered as without jurisdiction by reason of the provisions of a treaty between that state and the United States.

(7) Apportionment Formula. All business income of the taxpayer shall be apportioned to this state by use of the apportionment formula set forth in Section 59-7-311. The elements of the apportionment formula are the property factor, see Subsection (8), the payroll factor, see Subsection (9), and the sales factor, see Subsection (10) of the trade or business of the taxpayer. For exceptions see Subsection (11).

(8) Property Factor.

(a) In General.

(i) The property factor of the apportionment formula shall include all real and tangible personal property owned or rented by the taxpayer and used during the tax period in the regular course of its trade or business. Real and tangible personal property includes land, buildings, machinery, stocks of goods, equipment, and other real and tangible personal property but does not include coin or currency.

(ii) Property used in connection with the production of nonbusiness income shall be excluded from the property factor. Property used both in the regular course of the taxpayer's trade or business and in the production of nonbusiness income shall be included in the factor only to the extent the property is used in the regular course of the taxpayer's trade or business. The method of determining the portion of the value to be included in the factor will depend upon the facts of each case.

(iii) The property factor shall reflect the average value of property includable in the factor. Refer to Subsection (8)(g).

(b) Property Used for the Production of Business Income. Property shall be included in the property factor if it is actually used or is available for or capable of being used during the tax period in the regular course of the trade or business of the taxpayer. Property held as reserves or standby facilities or property held as a reserve source of materials shall be included in the factor. For example, a plant temporarily idle or raw material reserves not currently being processed are includable in the factor. Property or equipment under construction during the tax period, except inventoriable goods in process, shall be excluded from the factor until the property is actually used in the regular course of the trade or business of the taxpayer. If the property is partially used in the regular course of the trade or business of the taxpayer while under construction, the value of the property to the extent used shall be included in the property factor. Property used in the regular course of the trade or business of the taxpayer shall remain in the property factor until its permanent withdrawal is established by an identifiable event such as its conversion to the production of nonbusiness income, its sale, or the lapse of an extended period of time, normally five years, during which the property is no longer held for use in the trade or business.

(c) Consistency in Reporting. In filing returns with this state, if the taxpayer departs from or modifies the manner of valuing property, or of excluding or including property in the property factor, used in returns for prior years, the taxpayer shall

disclose in the return for the current year the nature and extent of the modification. If the returns or reports filed by the taxpayer with all states to which the taxpayer reports under UDITPA are not uniform in the valuation of property and in the exclusion or inclusion of property in the property factor, the taxpayer shall disclose in its return to this state the nature and extent of the variance.

(d) Property Factor Numerator. The numerator of the property factor shall include the average value of the real and tangible personal property owned or rented by the taxpayer and used in this state during the tax period in the regular course of the trade or business of the taxpayer. Property in transit between locations of the taxpayer to which it belongs shall be considered to be at the destination for purposes of the property factor. Property in transit between a buyer and seller that is included by a taxpayer in the denominator of its property factor in accordance with its regular accounting practices shall be included in the numerator according to the state of destination. The value of mobile or movable property such as construction equipment, trucks, or leased electronic equipment that are located within and without this state during the tax period shall be determined for purposes of the numerator of the factor on the basis of total time within the state during the tax period. An automobile assigned to a traveling employee shall be included in the numerator of the factor of the state to which the employee's compensation is assigned under the payroll factor or in the numerator of the state in which the automobile is licensed.

(e) Valuation of Owned Property.

(i) Property owned by the taxpayer shall be valued at its original cost. As a general rule original cost is deemed to be the basis of the property for state franchise or income tax purposes (prior to any adjustments) at the time of acquisition by the taxpayer and adjusted by subsequent capital additions or improvements thereto and partial disposition thereof, by reasons including sale, exchange, and abandonment. However, capitalized intangible drilling and development costs shall be included in the property factor whether or not they have been expensed for either federal or state tax purposes.

(ii) Inventory of stock of goods shall be included in the factor in accordance with the valuation method used for state tax purposes.

(iii) Property acquired by gift or inheritance shall be included in the factor at its basis for determining depreciation.

(f) Valuation of Rented Property.

(i) Property rented by the taxpayer is valued at eight times its net annual rental rate. The net annual rental rate for any item of rented property is the annual rental rate paid by the taxpayer for the property, less the aggregate annual subrental rates paid by subtenants of the taxpayer. See Subsection (11)(b) for special rules where the use of the net annual rental rate produces a negative or clearly inaccurate value or where property is used by the taxpayer at no charge or rented at a nominal rental rate.

(ii) Subrents are not deducted when the subrents constitute business income because the property that produces the subrents is used in the regular course of the trade or business of the taxpayer when it is producing the income. Accordingly there is no reduction in its value.

(iii) Annual rental rate is the amount paid as rental for property for a 12-month period; i.e., the amount of the annual rent. Where property is rented for less than a 12-month period, the rent paid for the actual period of rental shall constitute the annual rental rate for the tax period. However, where a taxpayer has rented property for a term of 12 or more months and the current tax period covers a period of less than 12 months (due, for example, to a reorganization or change of accounting period), the rent paid for the short tax period shall be annualized. If the rental term is for less than 12 months, the rent shall not be annualized beyond its term. Rent shall not be annualized because of the uncertain duration when the rental term is on a month to month basis.

(iv) Annual rent is the actual sum of money or other consideration payable, directly or indirectly, by the taxpayer or for its benefit for the use of the property and includes:

(A) Any amount payable for the use of real or tangible personal property, or any part thereof, whether designated as a fixed sum of money or as a percentage of sales, profits or otherwise.

(B) Any amount payable as additional rent or in lieu of rents, such as interest, taxes, insurance, repairs or any other items that are required to be paid by the terms of the lease or other arrangement, not including amounts paid as service charges, such as utilities, and janitor services. If a payment includes rent and other charges unsegregated, the amount of rent shall be determined by consideration of the relative values of the rent and other items.

(v) Annual rent does not include:

(A) incidental day-to-day expenses such as hotel or motel accommodations, or daily rental of automobiles;

(B) royalties based on extraction of natural resources, whether represented by delivery or purchase. For this purpose, a royalty includes any consideration conveyed or credited to a holder of an interest in property that constitutes a sharing of current or future production of natural resources from that property, irrespective of the method of payment or how that consideration may be characterized, whether as a royalty, advance royalty, rental, or otherwise.

(vi) Leasehold improvements shall, for the purposes of the property factor, be treated as property owned by the taxpayer regardless of whether the taxpayer is entitled to remove the improvements or the improvements revert to the lessor upon expiration of the lease. Hence, the original cost of leasehold improvements shall be included in the factor.

(g) Averaging Property Values. As a general rule, the average value of property owned by the taxpayer shall be determined by averaging the values at the beginning and end of the tax period. However, the Tax Commission may require or allow averaging by monthly values if that method of averaging is required to properly reflect the average value of the taxpayer's property for the tax period.

(i) Averaging by monthly values will generally be applied if substantial fluctuations in the values of the property exist during the tax period or where property is acquired after the beginning of the tax period or disposed of before the end of the tax period.

(ii) Example: The monthly value of the taxpayer's property was as follows:

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January	$ 2,000
February	2,000
March	3,000
April	3,500
May	4,500
June	10,000
July	15,000
August	17,000
September	23,000
October	25,000
November	13,000
December	2,000
Total	$120,000

The average value of the taxpayer's property includable in the property factor for the income year is determined as follows:

$120,000 / 12 = $10,000

(iii) Averaging with respect to rented property is achieved automatically by the method of determining the net annual rental rate of the property as set forth in Subsection (8)(g).

(9) Payroll Factor.

(a) The payroll factor of the apportionment formula shall include the total amount paid by the taxpayer in the regular

course of its trade or business for compensation during the tax period.

(b) The total amount paid to employees is determined upon the basis of the taxpayer's accounting method. If the taxpayer has adopted the accrual method of accounting, all compensation properly accrued shall be deemed to have been paid. Notwithstanding the taxpayer's method of accounting, at the election of the taxpayer, compensation paid to employees may be included in the payroll factor by use of the cash method if the taxpayer is required to report compensation under that method for unemployment compensation purposes. The compensation of any employee on account of activities that are connected with the production of nonbusiness income shall be excluded from the factor.

(c) Payments made to an independent contractor or any other person not properly classifiable as an employee are excluded from the payroll factor. Only amounts paid directly to employees are included in the payroll factor. Amounts considered paid directly include the value of board, rent, housing, lodging, and other benefits or services furnished to employees by the taxpayer in return for personal services.

(d) Generally, a person will be considered to be an employee if he is included by the taxpayer as an employee for purposes of the payroll taxes imposed by the Federal Insurance Contributions Act. However, since certain individuals are included within the term employees in the Federal Insurance Contributions Act who would not be employees under the usual common law rules, it may be established that a person who is included as an employee for purposes of the Federal Insurance Contributions Act is not an employee for purposes of this rule.

(e)(A) In filing returns with this state, if the taxpayer departs from or modifies the treatment of compensation paid used in returns for prior years, the taxpayer shall disclose in the return for the current year the nature and extent of the modification.

(B) If the returns or reports filed by the taxpayer with all states to which the taxpayer reports under UDITPA are not uniform in the treatment of compensation paid, the taxpayer shall disclose in its return to this state the nature and extent of the variance.

(f) Denominator. The denominator of the payroll factor is the total compensation paid everywhere during the tax period. Accordingly, compensation paid to employees whose services are performed entirely in a state where the taxpayer is immune from taxation, for example, by P.L. 86-272, are included in the denominator of the payroll factor.

(g) Numerator. The numerator of the payroll factor is the total amount paid in this state during the tax period by the taxpayer for compensation. The tests in Section 59-7-316 to be applied in determining whether compensation is paid in this state are derived from the Model Unemployment Compensation Act. Accordingly, if compensation paid to employees is included in the payroll factor by use of the cash method of accounting or if the taxpayer is required to report compensation under that method for unemployment compensation purposes, it shall be presumed that the total wages reported by the taxpayer to this state for unemployment compensation purposes constitute compensation paid in this state except for compensation excluded under this Subsection (9). The presumption may be overcome by satisfactory evidence that an employee's compensation is not properly reportable to this state for unemployment compensation purposes.

(h) Compensation Paid in this State. Compensation is paid in this state if any one of the following tests applied consecutively are met:

(i) The employee's service is performed entirely within the state.

(ii) The employee's service is performed both within and without the state, but the service performed without the state is incidental to the employee's service within the state. The word incidental means any service that is temporary or transitory in nature, or that is rendered in connection with an isolated transaction.

(iii) If the employee's services are performed both within and without this state, the employee's compensation will be attributed to this state:

(A) if the employee's base of operations is in this state; or

(B) if there is no base of operations in any state in which some part of the service is performed, but the place from which the service is directed or controlled is in this state; or

(C) if the base of operations or the place from which the service is directed or controlled is not in any state in which some part of the service is performed but the employee's residence is in this state.

(10) Sales Factor. In General.

(a) Section 59-7-302(5) defines the term "sales" to mean all gross receipts of the taxpayer not allocated under Section 59-7-306 through 59-7-310. Thus, for purposes of the sales factor of the apportionment formula for the trade or business of the taxpayer, the term sales means all gross receipts derived by the taxpayer from transactions and activity in the regular course of the trade or business. The following are rules determining sales in various situations.

(i) In the case of a taxpayer engaged in manufacturing and selling or purchasing and reselling goods or products, sales includes all gross receipts from the sales of goods or products (or other property of a kind that would properly be included in the inventory of the taxpayer if on hand at the close of the tax period) held by the taxpayer primarily for sale to customers in the ordinary course of its trade or business. Gross receipts for this purpose means gross sales, less returns and allowances and includes all interest income, service charges, carrying charges, or time-price differential charges incidental to sales. Federal and state excise taxes (including sales taxes) shall be included as part of receipts if taxes are passed on to the buyer or included as part of the selling price of the product.

(ii) In the case of cost plus fixed fee contracts, such as the operation of a government-owned plant for a fee, sales includes the entire reimbursed cost, plus the fee.

(iii) In the case of a taxpayer engaged in providing services, such as the operation of an advertising agency, or the performance of equipment service contracts, or research and development contracts, sales includes the gross receipts from the performance of services including fees, commissions, and similar items.

(iv) In the case of a taxpayer engaged in renting real or tangible property, sales includes the gross receipts from the rental, lease or licensing of the use of the property.

(v) In the case of a taxpayer engaged in the sale, assignment, or licensing of intangible personal property such as patents and copyrights, sales includes the gross receipts therefrom.

(vi) If a taxpayer derives receipts from the sale of equipment used in its business, those receipts constitute sales. For example, a truck express company owns a fleet of trucks and sells its trucks under a regular replacement program. The gross receipts from the sales of the trucks are included in the sales factor.

(vii) In some cases certain gross receipts should be disregarded in determining the sales factor in order that the apportionment formula will operate fairly to apportion to this state the income of the taxpayer's trade or business. See Subsection (11)(c).

(viii) In filing returns with this state, if the taxpayer departs from or modifies the basis for excluding or including gross receipts in the sales factor used in returns for prior years, the taxpayer shall disclose in the return for the current year the nature and extent of the modification.

(ix) If the returns or reports filed by the taxpayer with all states to which the taxpayer reports under UDITPA are not uniform in the inclusion or exclusion of gross receipts, the taxpayer shall disclose in its return to this state the nature and extent of the variance.

(b) Denominator. The denominator of the sales factor shall include the total gross receipts derived by the taxpayer from transactions and activity in the regular course of its trade or business, except receipts excluded under Subsection (11)(c).

(c) Numerator. The numerator of the sales factor shall include gross receipts attributable to this state and derived by the taxpayer from transactions and activity in the regular course of its trade or business. All interest income, service charges, carrying charges, or time-price differential charges incidental to gross receipts shall be included regardless of the place where the accounting records are maintained or the location of the contract or other evidence of indebtedness.

(d) Sales of Tangible Personal Property in this State.

(i) Gross receipts from the sales of tangible personal property (except sales to the United States government; see Subsection (10)(e) are in this state:

(A) if the property is delivered or shipped to a purchaser within this state regardless of the f.o.b. point or other conditions of sale; or

(B) if the property is shipped from an office, store, warehouse, factory, or other place of storage in this state and the taxpayer is not taxable in the state of the purchaser.

(ii) Property shall be deemed to be delivered or shipped to a purchaser within this state if the recipient is located in this state, even though the property is ordered from outside this state.

(iii) Property is delivered or shipped to a purchaser within this state if the shipment terminates in this state, even though the property is subsequently transferred by the purchaser to another state.

(iv) The term "purchaser within this state" shall include the ultimate recipient of the property if the taxpayer in this state, at the designation of the purchaser, delivers to or has the property shipped to the ultimate recipient within this state.

(v) When property being shipped by a seller from the state of origin to a consignee in another state is diverted while en route to a purchaser in this state, the sales are in this state.

(vi) If the taxpayer is not taxable in the state of the purchaser, the sale is attributed to this state if the property is shipped from an office, store, warehouse, factory, or other place of storage in this state.

(vii) If a taxpayer whose salesman operates from an office located in this state makes a sale to a purchaser in another state in which the taxpayer is not taxable and the property is shipped directly by a third party to the purchaser, the following rules apply:

(A) If the taxpayer is taxable in the state from which the third party ships the property, then the sale is in that state.

(B) If the taxpayer is not taxable in the state from which the property is shipped, the sale is in this state.

(e)(i) Sales of Tangible Personal Property to United States Government in this state.

(ii) Gross receipts from the sales of tangible personal property to the United States government are in this state if the property is shipped from an office, store, warehouse, factory, or other place of storage in this state. For purposes of this rule, only sales for which the United States government makes direct payment to the seller pursuant to the terms of a contract constitute sales to the United States government. Thus, as a general rule, sales by a subcontractor to the prime contractor, the party to the contract with the United States government, do not constitute sales to the United States government.

(f) Sales Other than Sales of Tangible Personal Property in this State.

(i) In general, Section 59-7-319(1) provides for the inclusion in the numerator of the sales factor of gross receipts from transactions other than sales of tangible personal property (including transactions with the United States government). Under Section 59-7-319(1), gross receipts are attributed to this state if the income producing activity that gave rise to the receipts is performed wholly within this state. Also, gross receipts are attributed to this state if, with respect to a particular item of income, the income producing activity is performed within and without this state but the greater proportion of the income producing activity is performed in this state, based on costs of performance.

(ii) The term "income producing activity" applies to each separate item of income and means the transactions and activity directly engaged in by the taxpayer in the regular course of its trade or business for the ultimate purpose of obtaining gains or profit. Income producing activity does not include transactions and activities performed on behalf of a taxpayer, such as those conducted on its behalf by an independent contractor. Accordingly, the income producing activity includes the following:

(A) the rendering of personal services by employees or the utilization of tangible and intangible property by the taxpayer in performing a service;

(B) the sale, rental, leasing, or licensing or other use of real property;

(C) the rental, leasing, licensing or other use of intangible personal property; or

(D) the sale, licensing or other use of intangible personal property. The mere holding of intangible personal property is not, of itself, an income producing activity.

(iii) The term "costs of performance" means direct costs determined in a manner consistent with generally accepted accounting principles and in accordance with accepted conditions or practices in the trade or business of the taxpayer.

(iv) Receipts (other than from sales of tangible personal property) in respect to a particular income producing activity are in this state if:

(A) the income producing activity is performed wholly within this state; or

(B) the income producing activity is performed both in and outside this state and a greater proportion of the income producing activity is performed in this state than in any other state, based on costs of performance.

(v) The following are special rules for determining when receipts from the income producing activities described below are in this state:

(A) Gross receipts from the sale, lease, rental or licensing of real property are in this state if the real property is located in this state.

(B) Gross receipts from the rental, lease, or licensing of tangible personal property are in this state if the property is located in this state. The rental, lease, licensing or other use of tangible personal property in this state is a separate income producing activity from the rental, lease, licensing or other use of the same property while located in another state. Consequently, if the property is within and without this state during the rental, lease or licensing period, gross receipts attributable to this state shall be measured by the ratio that the time the property was physically present or was used in this state bears to the total time or use of the property everywhere during the period.

(C) Gross receipts for the performance of personal services are attributable to this state to the extent services are performed in this state. If services relating to a single item of income are performed partly within and partly without this state, the gross receipts for the performance of services shall be attributable to this state only if a greater portion of the services were performed in this state, based on costs of performance. Usually where services are performed partly within and partly without this

state, the services performed in each state will constitute a separate income producing activity. In that case, the gross receipts for the performance of services attributable to this state shall be measured by the ratio that the time spent in performing services in this state bears to the total time spent in performing services everywhere. Time spent in performing services includes the amount of time expended in the performance of a contract or other obligation that gives rise to gross receipts. Personal service not directly connected with the performance of the contract or other obligations, as for example, time expended in negotiating the contract, is excluded from the computations.

(11) Special Rules:

(a) Section 59-7-320 provides that if the allocation and apportionment provisions of UDITPA do not fairly represent the extent of the taxpayer's business activity in this state, the taxpayer may petition for, or the tax administrator may require, in respect to all or any part of the taxpayer's business activity, if reasonable:

(i) separate accounting;

(ii) the exclusion of any one or more of the factors;

(iii) the inclusion of one or more additional factors that will fairly represent the taxpayer's business activity in this state; or

(iv) the employment of any other method to effectuate an equitable allocation and apportionment of the taxpayer's income.

(b) Property Factor.

The following special rules are established in respect to the property factor of the apportionment formula:

(i) If the subrents taken into account in determining the net annual rental rate under Subsection (8)(f)(ii) produce a negative or clearly inaccurate value for any item of property, another method that will properly reflect the value of rented property may be required by the Tax Commission or requested by the taxpayer. In no case however, shall the value be less than an amount that bears the same ratio to the annual rental rate paid by the taxpayer for property as the fair market value of that portion of property used by the taxpayer bears to the total fair market value of the rented property.

(ii) If property owned by others is used by the taxpayer at no charge or rented by the taxpayer for a nominal rate, the net annual rental rate for the property shall be determined on the basis of a reasonable market rental rate for that property.

(c) Sales Factors.

The following special rules are established in respect to the sales factor of the apportionment formula:

(i) Where substantial amounts of gross receipts arise from an incidental or occasional sale of a fixed asset used in the regular course of the taxpayer's trade or business, those gross receipts shall be excluded from the sales factor. For example, gross receipts from the sale of a factory or plant will be excluded.

(ii) Insubstantial amounts of gross receipts arising from incidental or occasional transactions or activities may be excluded from the sales factor unless exclusion would materially affect the amount of income apportioned to this state. For example, the taxpayer ordinarily may include or exclude from the sales factor gross receipts from such transactions as the sale of office furniture, and business automobiles.

(iii) Where the income producing activity in respect to business income from intangible personal property can be readily identified, that income is included in the denominator of the sales factor and, if the income producing activity occurs in this state, in the numerator of the sales factor as well. For example, usually the income producing activity can be readily identified in respect to interest income received on deferred payments on sales of tangible property, see Subsection (10)(a)(i), and income from the sale, licensing or other use of intangible personal property, see Subsection (10)(f)(ii)(D).

(A) Where business income from intangible property cannot readily be attributed to any particular income producing activity of the taxpayer, the income cannot be assigned to the numerator of the sales factor for any state and shall be excluded from the denominator of the sales factor. For example, where business income in the form of dividends received on stock, royalties received on patents or copyrights, or interest received on bonds, debentures or government securities results from the mere holding of the intangible personal property by the taxpayer, such dividends and interest shall be excluded from the denominator of the sales factor.

(B) Exclude from the denominator of the sales factor, receipts from the sales of securities unless the taxpayer is a dealer therein.

(iv) Where gains and losses on the sale of liquid assets are not excluded from the sales factor by other provisions under Subsections (11)(c)(i) through (iii), such gains or losses shall be treated as provided in this Subsection (11)(c)(iv). This Subsection (11)(c)(iv) does not provide rules relating to the treatment of other receipts produced from holding or managing such assets.

(A) If a taxpayer holds liquid assets in connection with one or more treasury functions of the taxpayer, and the liquid assets produce business income when sold, exchanged or otherwise disposed, the overall net gain from those transactions for each treasury function for the tax period is included in the sales factor. For purposes of this Subsection (11)(c)(iv), each treasury function will be considered separately.

(B) For purposes of this Subsection (11)(c)(iv), a liquid asset is an asset (other than functional currency or funds held in bank accounts) held to provide a relatively immediate source of funds to satisfy the liquidity needs of the trade or business. Liquid assets include:

(I) foreign currency (and trading positions therein) other than functional currency used in the regular course of the taxpayer's trade or business;

(II) marketable instruments (including stocks, bonds, debentures, options, warrants, futures contracts, etc.); and

(III) mutual funds which hold such liquid assets.

(C) An instrument is considered marketable if it is traded in an established stock or securities market and is regularly quoted by brokers or dealers in making a market. Stock in a corporation which is unitary with the taxpayer, or which has a substantial business relationship with the taxpayer, is not considered marketable stock.

(D) For purposes of this Subsection (11)(c)(iv)(D), a treasury function is the pooling and management of liquid assets for the purpose of satisfying the cash flow needs of the trade or business, such as providing liquidity for a taxpayer's business cycle, providing a reserve for business contingencies, business acquisitions, etc. A taxpayer principally engaged in the trade or business of purchasing and selling instruments or other items included in the definition of liquid assets set forth herein is not performing a treasury function with respect to income so produced.

(E) Overall net gain refers to the total net gain from all transactions incurred at each treasury function for the entire tax period, not the net gain from a specific transaction.

(d) Domestic International Sales Corporation (DISC). In any case in which a corporation, subject to the income tax jurisdiction of Utah, owns 50 percent or more of the voting power of the stock of a corporation classified as a DISC under the provisions of Sec. 992 Internal Revenue Code, a combined filing with the DISC corporation is required.

(e) Partnership or Joint Venture Income. Income or loss from partnership or joint venture interests shall be included in income and apportioned to Utah through application of the three-factor formula consisting of property, payroll and sales. For apportionment purposes, the portion of partnership or joint venture property, payroll and sales to be included in the

corporation's property, payroll and sales factors shall be computed on the basis of the corporation's ownership interest in the partnership or joint venture, and otherwise in accordance with other applicable provisions of this rule.

R865-6F-14. Extent to Which Federal Income Tax Provisions Are Followed for Corporation Franchise Tax Purposes Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. Sections 59-7-106, 59-7-108, 59-7-501, and 59-7-502.

A. It is the policy of the Tax Commission, in matters involving the determination of net income for Utah corporation franchise tax purposes, to follow as closely as possible federal requirements with respect to the same matters. In some instances, of course, the federal and state statutes differ; and due to such conflict, the federal rulings, regulations, and decisions cannot be followed. Furthermore, in some instances, the Tax Commission may disagree with the federal determinations and does not consider them controlling for Utah corporation franchise tax purposes.

1. The items of major importance ordinarily allowed in conformity with federal requirements are:

a. depreciation (see rule R865-6F-9),
b. depletion,
c. exploration and development expenses,
d. intangible drilling costs,
e. accounting methods and periods (see rule R865-6F-2), and
f. Subpart F income.

2. The following are the major items which require different treatment under the state and federal statutes:

a. installment sales (see rule R865-6F-15),
b. consolidated returns (see rule R865-6F-4),
c. liquidating dividends,
d. municipal bond interest,
e. capital loss deduction,
f. loss carry-overs and carry-backs, and
g. gross-up on foreign dividends.

Note: The only reserves permitted in determining net-income for Utah corporation franchise tax purposes are depreciation, depletion, and bad debts.

R865-6F-15. Installment Basis of Reporting Income in Year of Termination Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. Section 59-7-112.

A. The Corporation Franchise Tax Act allows a corporation, under certain conditions and under rules prescribed by the Tax Commission, to report income arising from the sale or other disposition of property on a deferred or so-called installment basis. Thus, a gain technically realized at the time the sale is made may, at the election of the taxpayer, be reported on a deferred basis in accordance with the law and the following sections of this rule. The rule allowing deferment of reporting such income is only one of postponement of the tax, and not one of exemption from a tax otherwise lawfully due. Thus, the privilege of deferment is terminated if the taxpayer ceases to be subject to tax prior to the reporting of the entire amount of installment income. When a taxpayer elects to report income arising from the sale or other disposition of property as provided in Section 59-7-112, and the entire income therefrom has not been reported prior to the year that the taxpayer ceases to be subject to the tax imposed under the Utah Corporation Income and Franchise Tax Acts, the unreported income is included in the return for the last year in which the taxpayer is subject to the tax. This rule applies to all corporations which elect to report on the installment basis. If a corporation on this basis desires to dissolve or to withdraw, it must comply with the provisions hereof prior to issuance of the tax clearance certificate.

B. Income reported under the provisions of Section 59-7-112 and this rule shall be subject to the same treatment in the allocation of income; i.e., specific allocation or apportionment, as would have been accorded the original income from the sale under the provisions of the Uniform Division of Income for Tax Purposes Act. In case such income is subject to apportionment, the apportionment fraction for the year in which the income is reported applies rather than the year in which the sale was made.

R865-6F-16. Apportionment of Income of Long-Term Construction Contractors Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. Sections 59-7-302 through 321.

(1) When a taxpayer elects to use the percentage-of-completion method of accounting, or the completed contract method of accounting for long-term contracts, and has income from sources both within and without this state, the amount of business income derived from such long- term contracts from sources within this state is determined pursuant to this rule.

(2) Business income is apportioned to this state by a three-factor formula consisting of property, payroll, and sales--regardless of the method of accounting for long-term contracts elected by the taxpayer. The fraction by which business income shall be apportioned to the state shall be determined in accordance with rule R865-6F-8(3) and (6). Except as modified by this rule, the property factor shall be determined in accordance with R865-6F-8(7), the payroll factor in accordance with R865-6F-8(8), and the sales factor in accordance with R865-6F-8(9).

(a) Percentage-of-completion method. Under this method of accounting for long-term contracts, the amount included each year as business income from each contract is the amount by which the gross contract price (which corresponds to the percentage of the entire contract completed during the income years) exceeds all expenditures made during the income year in connection with the contract. Beginning and ending material and supplies inventories must be appropriately accounted for in reporting expenditures.

(b) Completed-contract method. Under this method of accounting, business income derived from long-term contracts is reported for the income year in which the contract is completed. A special computation is required to compute the amount of business income attributable to this state from each completed contract. All receipts and expenditures applicable to the contracts, whether complete or incomplete at the end of the income year, are excluded from other business income, which are apportioned by the regular three-factor formula of property, payroll, and sales.

(3) Property factor. In general, the numerator and denominator of the property factor is determined as set forth in Sections 59-7-312, 59-7-313, and 59-7-314 and the rules thereunder. However, the following special rules are also applicable:

(a) The average value of the taxpayer's cost (including materials and labor) of construction in progress, to the extent these costs exceed progress billings, are included in the denominator of the property factor. The value of those construction costs attributable to construction projects in this state are included in the numerator of the property factor. It may be necessary to use monthly averages if yearly averages do not properly reflect the average value of the taxpayer's equity.

(b) Rent paid for the use of equipment directly attributable to a particular construction project is included in the property factor at eight times the net annual rental rate, even though the rental expense may be capitalized into the cost of construction.

(c) The property factor is computed in the same manner for all long-term-contract methods of accounting and is computed for each income year, even though under the completed-contract method of accounting business income is computed separately.

(4) Payroll factor. In general, the numerator and denominator of the payroll factor are determined as set forth in

Sections 59-7-315 and 59-7-316 and the rules thereunder. However, the following special rules are also applicable.

(a) Compensation paid to employees attributable to a particular construction project is included in the payroll factor even though capitalized into the cost of construction.

(b) Compensation paid to employees who, in the aggregate, perform most of their services in a state to which their employer does not report them for unemployment tax purposes, is attributed to the state where the services are performed. For example, a taxpayer engaged in a long-term contract in State X sends several key employees to that state to supervise the project. The taxpayer, for unemployment tax purposes reports these employees to State Y where the main office is maintained and where the employees reside. For payroll factor purposes and in accordance with Section 59-7-316 and the rule thereunder, the compensation is assigned to the numerator of State X.

(c) The payroll factor is computed in the same manner for all long-term-contract methods of accounting and is computed for each income year, even though under the completed contract method of accounting, business income is computed separately.

(5) Sales Factor. In general, the numerator and denominator of the sales factor shall be determined as set forth in Sections 59-7-317, 59-7-318, and 59-7-319 and the rules thereunder. However, the following special rules are also applicable.

(a) Gross receipts derived from the performance of a contract are attributable to this state if the construction project is located in this state. If the construction project is located partly within and partly without this state, the gross receipts attributable to this state are based upon the ratio which construction costs for the project in this state incurred during the coming year bears to the total of such construction costs for the entire project during the income year. Progress billings are ordinarily used to reflect gross receipts and must be shown in both the numerator and denominator of the sales factor.

(b) If the percentage-of-completion method is used, the sales factor includes only that portion of the gross contract price which corresponds to the percentage of the entire contract which was completed during the income year. For example, a construction contractor which had elected the percentage-of-completion method of accounting entered into a $9,000,000 long-term construction contract. At the end of its current income year (the second since starting the project) it estimated that the project was 30 percent completed. The amount of gross receipts included in the sales factor for the current income year is $2,700,000 (30 percent of $9,000,000), regardless of whether the taxpayer uses the accrual method or the cash method of accounting for receipts and disbursements.

(c) If the completed-contract method of accounting is used, the sales factor includes the portion of the gross receipts (progress billings) received under the cash basis or accrued, whichever is applicable, during the income year attributable to each contract. For example, a construction contractor which elected the completed-contract method of accounting entered into a long-term construction contract. At the end of its current income year (the second since starting the project) it had billed, and accrued on its books a total of $5,000,000 of which $2,000,000 had accrued in the first year the contract was undertaken, and $3,000,000 in the current (second) year. The amount of gross receipts included in the sales factor for the current income year is $3,000,000. If the taxpayer keeps its books on the cash basis, and as of the end of its current income year has received only $2,500,000 of the $3,000,000 billed during the current year, the amount of gross receipts to be included in the sales factor for the current year is $2,500,000.

(d) The sales factor, except as noted above in Subsections (5)(b) and (c), is computed in the same manner for all long-term contract methods of accounting and is computed for each income year--even though under the completed-contract method of accounting, business income is computed separately.

(6) The total of the property, payroll, and sales percentages is divided by three to determine the apportionment percentage which is then applied to business income to establish the amount apportioned to this state.

(7) The completed-contract method of accounting provides that the reporting of income (or loss) is deferred until the year the construction project is completed. In order to determine the amount of income which is attributable to sources within this state, a separate computation is made for each contract completed during the income year, regardless of whether the project is located within or without this state. The amount of income from each contract completed during the income year apportioned to this state is added to other business income apportioned to this state by the regular three-factor formula, and that total together with all nonbusiness income allocated to this state becomes the measure of tax for the income year. The amount of income (or loss) from each contract which is derived from sources within this state using the completed-contract method of accounting is computed as follows.

(a) In the income year the contract is completed, the income (or loss) therefrom is determined.

(b) The income (or loss) determined at Subsection (7)(a) is apportioned to this state by the following method:

(i) a fraction is determined for each year the contract was in progress (the numerator of which is the amount of construction costs paid or accrued each year the contract was in progress, and the denominator of which is the total of all construction costs for the project);

(ii) each fraction determined in Subsection (7)(b)(i) is multiplied by the apportionment formula percentage for that particular year;

(iii) these factors are totaled; and

(iv) the total income is multiplied by this combined percentage, and the resulting income (or loss) is the amount of contract business income assigned to this state.

(c) A corporation using the completed-contract method of accounting is required to include income derived from sources within this state from contracts within or without this state or income from incomplete contracts in progress outside this state in the year of withdrawal, dissolution, or cessation of business pursuant to Subsection (7)(d).

(d) The amount of income (or loss) from each such contract apportioned to this state is determined as if the percentage-of-completion method of accounting were used for all such contracts on the date of withdrawal, dissolution, or cessation of business. The amount of business income (or loss) for each such contract is the amount by which the gross contract price from each such contract from the commencement thereof to the date of withdrawal, dissolution, or cessation of business exceeds all expenditures made during such period in connection with each such contract. Beginning and ending material and supplies inventories must be appropriately accounted for in reporting expenditures in connection with each contract.

R865-6F-18. Exemptions from Corporate Franchise and Income Tax Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. Sections 59-7-101 and 59-7-102.

A. The following definitions apply to the exemption for corporate franchise and income tax for a farmers' cooperative.

1. "Member" means a person who shares in the profits of a cooperative association and is entitled to participate in the management of the association.

2. "Producer" means a person who, as owner or tenant, bears the risk of production and receives income based on farm production rather than fixed compensation.

B. In order to claim an exemption from corporate franchise and income tax provided for by Section 59-7-102, a corporation

must submit to the Tax Commission form TC-161, Utah Registration for Exemption from Corporate Franchise or Income Tax, along with any information that form requires, for the Tax Commission's determination that the corporation satisfies the requirements of Section 59-7-102.

C. A corporation shall notify the Tax Commission of any change that affects its tax exempt status under Section 59-7-102.

D. For purposes of the Section 59-7-102 exemption for a farmers' cooperative, an association, corporation, or other organization similar to an association, corporation, or other organization of farmers or fruit growers includes establishments primarily engaged in growing crops, raising animals, harvesting timber, and harvesting fish and other animals from a farm, ranch, or their natural habitat.

R865-6F-19. Taxation of Trucking Companies Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. Sections 59-7-302 through 59-7-321.

(1) Definitions:

(a) "Average value" of property means the amount determined by averaging the values of real and personal property at the beginning and end of the income tax year. The Tax Commission may require the averaging of monthly values during the income year or other averaging as necessary to reflect properly the average value of the trucking company's property.

(b) "Business and nonbusiness income" are as defined in R865- 6F-8(1).

(c) "Mobile property" means all motor vehicles, including trailers, engaged directly in the movement of tangible personal property.

(d) "Mobile property mile" means the movement of a unit of mobile property a distance of one mile, whether loaded or unloaded.

(e) "Original cost" means the basis of the property for federal income tax purposes (prior to any federal income tax adjustments, except for subsequent capital additions, improvements thereto, or partial dispositions); or if the property has no such basis, or if the valuation of the property is unascertainable under the foregoing valuation standards, the property is included in the property factor at its fair market value as of the date of acquisition by the taxpayer.

(f) "Property used during the course of the income year" means property that is available for use in the taxpayer's trade or business during the income year.

(g) "Trucking company" means a corporation engaged in or transacting the business of transporting freight, merchandise, or other property for hire.

(h) "Value of owned real and tangible personal property" means the original cost of owned real and tangible personal property.

(i) "Value of rented real and tangible personal property" means the product of eight times the net annual rental rate of rented real and tangible personal property.

(2) When a trucking company has income from sources both within and without this state, the amount of business income from sources within this state shall be determined pursuant to this rule. In those cases, the first step is to determine what portion of the trucking company's income constitutes business income and what portion constitutes nonbusiness income. Nonbusiness income is directly allocable to specific states and business income is apportioned among the states in which the business is conducted and pursuant to the property, payroll, and sales apportionment factors set forth in this rule. The sum of the items of nonbusiness income directly allocated to this state, plus the amount of business income apportioned to this state, constitutes the amount of the taxpayer's entire net income subject to tax in this state.

(3) The fraction by which business income shall be apportioned to the state shall be determined in accordance with rule R865-6F-8(3) and (6). Except as modified by this rule, the property factor shall be determined in accordance with R865-6F-8(7), the payroll factor in accordance with R865-6F-8(8), and the sales factor in accordance with R865-6F-8(9).

(4) The denominator of the property factor shall be the average value of the total of the taxpayer's real and tangible personal property owned or rented and used within and without this state during the income year. The numerator of the property factor shall be the average value of the taxpayer's real and tangible personal property owned or rented and used, or available for use, within this state during the income year.

(a) In the determination of the numerator of the property factor, all property, except mobile property, shall be included in the numerator of the property factor.

(b) Mobile property located within and without this state during the income year shall be included in the numerator of the property factor in the ratio that the mobile property's miles within this state bear to the total miles of mobile property within and without this state.

(5) The denominator of the payroll factor is the compensation paid within and without this state by the taxpayer during the income year for the production of business income. The numerator of the payroll factor is the compensation paid within this state during the income year by the taxpayer for the production of business income.

(a) With respect to all personnel, except those performing services within and without this state, compensation shall be included in the numerator as provided in R865-6F-8(8).

(b) With respect to personnel performing services within and without this state, compensation shall be included in the numerator of the payroll factor in the ratio that their services performed within this state bear to their services performed within and without this state.

(6) In general, all revenue derived from transactions and activities in the regular course of the taxpayer's trade or business that produce business income shall be included in the denominator of the revenue factor. The numerator of the revenue factor is the total revenue of the taxpayer in this state during the income year.

(a) The total state revenue of the taxpayer, other than revenue from hauling freight, mail, and express, shall be attributable to this state in accordance with R865-6F-8(9).

(b) The total revenue of the taxpayer attributable to this state during the income year from hauling freight, mail, and express shall be:

(i) Intrastate: all receipts from any shipment that both originates and terminates within this state; and

(ii) Interstate: that portion of the receipts from movements or shipments passing through, into, or out of this state as determined by the ratio that the mobile property miles traveled by the movements or shipments within this state bear to the total mobile property miles traveled by the movements or shipments within and without this state.

(7) The taxpayer shall maintain the records necessary to identify mobile property and to enumerate by state the mobile property miles traveled by mobile property. These records are subject to review by the Tax Commission or its agents.

(8) This rule requires apportionment of income to this state if during the course of the income tax year, the trucking company:

(a) owned or rented any real or personal property in this state;

(b) made any pickups or deliveries within this state;

(c) traveled more than 25,000 mobile property miles within this state, provided that the total mobile property miles traveled within this state during the income tax year exceeded three percent of the total mobile property miles traveled in all states by the trucking company during the period; or (d) made more than 12 trips into this state.

R865-6F-22. Treatment of Loss Carrybacks and Carryforwards Spanning a Change in Reporting Methods Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. Sections 59-7-402 and 59-7-403.

A. For purposes of this rule, "worldwide year" means a year in which a corporation filed a worldwide combined report as set forth in Sections 59-7-101(34) and 59-7-403.

B. For purposes of this rule, "water's edge year" means a year in which a corporation filed a combined report as set forth in Sections 59-7-101(33) and 59-7-402.

C. A corporation that receives permission from the Tax Commission to change its filing method to the water's edge method after having elected the worldwide method will be required to forfeit any unused loss carryovers that were generated in any worldwide year as a condition precedent to making that change. Any losses generated in a subsequent water's edge year may not be carried back against income earned in any year prior to the change to the water's edge method, but must be carried to a post-change water's edge year.

D. A corporation that elects the worldwide filing method subsequent to adoption of this rule will be required to forfeit any unused loss carryovers that were generated in any water's edge year. Any losses generated in a subsequent worldwide year may not be carried back against income earned in any year prior to the change to the worldwide election method, but must be carried to a post-change worldwide year.

R865-6F-23. Utah Steam Coal Tax Credit Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. Section 59-7-604.

A. Definitions.

1. "Permitted mine" means a mine for which a permit has been issued by the Division of Oil, Gas, and Mining pursuant to Title 40, Chapter 10, Coal Mining and Reclamation.

2. "Purchaser outside of the United States" means any company that purchases coal for shipment outside of the fifty states or the District of Columbia.

B. To qualify for the steam coal tax credit for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 1993, sales to a purchaser outside of the United States must exceed the permitted mine's sales to a purchaser outside of the United States in the taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 1992, regardless of any change in ownership of the mine.

C. To qualify for the steam coal tax credit the coal must be exported outside of the United States, within a reasonable period of time. A reasonable period of time is considered to be within 90 days after the end of the tax year.

R865-6F-24. Attribution of Sales of Tangible Property to the Sales Factor for Apportionment of Business Income Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. Section 59-7-317.

A. For purposes of 15 U.S.C. Section 381, the phrase "activities within such state by or on behalf of such person" means the activities of any member of a unitary business as that term is defined in Section 59-7-302.

B. If the activity in this state of any member of a unitary business exceeds the activity protected by 15 U.S.C. Section 381, sales of tangible property into this state, from an out-of-state location by any member of the unitary business shall be included in this state's sales factor numerator under Section 59-7-317.

C. If any member of a unitary business is taxable in another state under Section 59-7-305, sales of tangible property from a Utah location, into that state by any member of the unitary business shall not be thrown back to this state as ordinarily provided under Section 59-7-318.

D. This rule is effective for taxable years beginning after December 31, 1992.

R865-6F-26. Historic Preservation Tax Credits Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. Section 59-7-609.

A. Definitions:

1. "Qualified rehabilitation expenditures" includes architectural, engineering, and permit fees.

2. "Qualified rehabilitation expenditures" does not include movable furnishings.

3. "Residential" as used in Section 59-7-609 applies only to the use of the building after the project is completed.

B. Taxpayers shall file an application for approval of all proposed rehabilitation work with the Division of State History prior to the completion of restoration or rehabilitation work on the project. The application shall be on a form provided by the Division of State History.

C. Rehabilitation work must receive a unique certification number from the State Historic Preservation Office in order to be eligible for the tax credit.

D. In order to receive final certification and be issued a unique certification number for the project, the following conditions must be satisfied:

1. The project approved under B. must be completed.

2. Upon completion of the project, taxpayers shall notify the State Historic Preservation Office and provide that office an opportunity to review, examine, and audit the project. In order to be certified, a project shall be completed in accordance with the approved plan and the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation.

3. Taxpayers restoring buildings not already listed on the National Register of Historic Places shall submit a complete National Register Nomination Form. If the nomination meets National Register criteria, the State Historic Preservation Office shall approve the nomination.

4. Projects must be completed, and the $10,000 expenditure threshold required by Section 59-7-609 must be met, within 36 months of the approval received pursuant to B.

5. During the course of the project and for three years thereafter, all work done on the building shall comply with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation.

E. Proof of State Historic Preservation Office certification shall be made by:

1. receiving an authorization form from the State Historic Preservation Office containing the certification number;

2. attaching that authorization form to the tax return for the year in which the credit is claimed.

F. Credit amounts shall be applied against Utah corporate franchise tax due in the tax year in which the project receives final certification under D.

G. Credit amounts greater than the amount of Utah corporate franchise tax due in a tax year shall be carried forward to the extent provided by Section 59-7-609.

H. Carryforward historic preservation tax credits shall be applied against Utah franchise tax due before the application of any historic preservation credits earned in the current year and on a first-earned, first-used basis.

I. Original records supporting the credit claimed must be maintained for three years following the date the return was filed claiming the credit.

R865-6F-27. Order of Credits Applied Against Utah Corporate Franchise Tax Due Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. Sections 9-2-413, 59-6-102, 59-7-601 through 59-7-614, and 59-13-202.

A. Taxpayers shall deduct credits authorized by Sections 9-2-413, 59-6-102, 59-7-601 through 59-7-614, and 59-13-202 against Utah corporate franchise tax due in the following order:

1. nonrefundable credits;

2. nonrefundable credits with a carryforward;

3. refundable credits.

R865-6F-28. Enterprise Zone Corporate Franchise Tax Credits Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. Sections 63-38f-401

through 63-38f-414.

(1) Definitions:

(a) "Based" means exclusively stored or maintained at a facility owned by the taxpayer:

(i) that is designed, constructed, and used to store or maintain equipment:

(A) that is transported outside of the enterprise zone; and

(B) for which the credit is taken;

(ii) where the equipment is located when it is not being used at facilities outside the enterprise zone, as evidenced by invoices, equipment logs, photographs, or similar documentation; and

(iii) from where the use of the equipment is directed or managed.

(b) "Business engaged in retail trade" means a business that makes a retail sale as defined in Section 59-12-102.

(c) "Construction work" does not include facility maintenance or repair work.

(d) "Employee" means a person who qualifies as an employee under Internal Revenue Service Regulation 26 CFR 31.3401(c)(1).

(e) "Public utilities business" means a public utility under Section 54-2-1.

(f) "Qualifying investment" does not include an investment made by a member of a unitary group in plant, equipment, or other depreciable property of another member of that unitary group.

(g) "Taxpayer" means the person claiming the tax credits in section 63-38f-413.

(h) "Transfer" pursuant to Section 63-38f-411, means the relocation of assets and operations of a business, including personnel, plant, property, and equipment.

(i) "Unitary group" is as defined in Section 59-7-101.

(2) For purposes of the investment tax credit, an investment is a qualifying investment if the plant, equipment, or other depreciable property for which the credit is taken is:

(a)(i) located within the boundaries of the enterprise zone; and

(ii) used exclusively in business operations conducted within the enterprise zone; or

(b) in the case of equipment or other depreciable property, based in the enterprise zone.

(3) The following examples relate to the investment tax credit.

(a) A furniture manufacturer operates a manufacturing facility that is located in an enterprise zone. The manufacturer purchases two trucks that are used exclusively at the facility and used to pick up raw materials from suppliers, some or all of whom may be outside the enterprise zone, and to deliver finished product to final customers, some or all of whom may be outside the enterprise zone. The trucks qualify for the investment tax credit because they are used exclusively in a business operation, the furniture manufacturing facility, that is located within the enterprise zone, even if they are stored or maintained at a facility located outside of the enterprise zone.

(b) If the same manufacturer described in Subsection (4)(a) had two facilities, one located within the enterprise zone, and one located outside the enterprise zone, and used the same two trucks for the same purposes for both facilities. The trucks are not based at a facility in the enterprise zone. The trucks would not qualify for the investment tax credit because they are not used exclusively at the facility located within the enterprise zone, and are not based in the enterprise zone.

(c) A business consists of a mine office located in an enterprise zone and a mine located outside the enterprise zone. Mining equipment is used exclusively at the mine and is not based in the enterprise zone. The business may claim the investment tax credit for plant, equipment, or other depreciable property located in the mine office, but not for plant, equipment, or other depreciable property used in the mine outside the enterprise zone.

(d) A business purchases equipment such as an oil rig, which is transported outside the enterprise zone to service facilities such as oil fields. If the use of the equipment is directed or managed from the enterprise zone and the equipment returns to a facility, within the enterprise zone, that is owned by the business for regular maintenance or storage, the equipment is based in the enterprise zone and therefore qualifies for the investment tax credit.

(e) The same business described in Subsection (4)(d) purchases equipment that is primarily stored or maintained at facilities that are located outside of the enterprise zone, but which may be occasionally stored or maintained in the enterprise zone. This equipment would not be based in the enterprise zone, and would not qualify for the investment tax credit, even if the business has other facilities in the enterprise zone.

(4) The calculation of the number of full-time positions for purposes of the credits allowed under Subsections 63-38f-413(1)(a) through (d) shall be based on the average number of employees reported to the Department of Workforce Services for the four quarters prior to the area's designation as an enterprise zone.

(5) To determine whether at least 51 percent of the business firm's employees reside in the county in which the enterprise zone is located, the business firm shall consider every employee reported to the Department of Workforce Services for the tax year for which an enterprise zone credit is sought.

(6) A business firm that conducts non-retail operations and is engaged in retail trade qualifies for the credits under Section 63-38f-413 if the retail trade operations constitute a de minimis portion of the business firm's total operations.

(7) An employee whose duties include both non-construction work and construction work does not perform a construction job if the construction work performed by the employee constitutes a de minimis portion of the employee's total duties.

(8) Corporate franchise tax credits may not be used to offset or reduce the $100 minimum tax per corporation.

(9) Records and supporting documentation shall be maintained for three years after the date any returns are filed to support the credits taken. For example: If credits are originally taken in 1988 and unused portions are carried forward to 1992, records to support the original credits taken in 1988 must be maintained for three years after the date the 1992 return is filed.

(10) If an enterprise zone designation is revoked prior to the expiration of the period for which it was designated, only tax credits earned prior to the loss of that designation will be allowed.

R865-6F-29. Taxation of Railroads Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. Sections 59-7-302 through 59-7-321.

(1) Definitions.

(a) "Average value" of property means the amount determined by averaging the values of real and personal property at the beginning and ending of the income tax year. The Tax Commission may require the averaging of monthly values during the income year or other averaging as necessary to reflect properly the average value of the railroad's property.

(b) "Business and nonbusiness income" are as defined in R865-6F-8(1).

(c) "Car-mile" means a movement of a unit of car equipment a distance of one mile.

(d) "Locomotive" means a self-propelled unit of equipment designed solely for moving other equipment.

(e) "Locomotive-mile" means the movement of a locomotive a distance of one mile under its own power.

(f) "Net annual rental rate" means the annual rental rate

paid by the taxpayer less any annual rental rate received by the taxpayer from subrentals.

(g) "Original cost" means the basis of the property for federal income tax purposes (prior to any federal income tax adjustments except for subsequent capital additions, improvements thereto or partial dispositions). If the original cost of property is unascertainable under the foregoing valuation standards, the property is included in the property factor at its fair market value as of the date of acquisition by the taxpayer.

(h) "Property used during the income year" means property that is available for use in the taxpayer's trade or business during the income year.

(i) "Rent" does not include the per diem and mileage charges paid by the taxpayer for the temporary use of railroad cars owned or operated by another railroad.

(j) "Value of owned real and tangible personal property" means the original cost of owned real and tangible personal property.

(k) "Value of rented real and tangible personal property" means the product of eight times the net annual rental rate of rented real and tangible personal property.

(2) When a railroad has income from sources both within and without this state, the amount of business income from sources within this state shall be determined pursuant to this rule. In those cases, the first step is to determine what portion of the railroad's income constitutes business income and what portion constitutes nonbusiness income. Nonbusiness income is directly allocable to specific states and business income is apportioned among the states in which the business is conducted and pursuant to the property, payroll, and sales apportionment factors set forth in this rule. The sum of the items of nonbusiness income directly allocated to this state, plus the amount of business income apportioned to this state, constitutes the amount of the taxpayer's entire net income subject to tax in this state.

(3) The fraction by which business income shall be apportioned to the state shall be determined in accordance with rule R865-6F-8(3) and (6). Except as modified by this rule, the property factor shall be determined in accordance with R865-6F-8(7), the payroll factor in accordance with R865-6F-8(8),and the sales factor in accordance with R865-6F- 8(9).

(4) The denominator of the property factor shall be the average value of the total of the taxpayer's real and tangible personal property owned or rented and used within and without this state during the income year. The numerator of the property factor shall be the average value of the taxpayer's real and tangible personal property owned or rented and used within this state during the income year.

(a) In determining the numerator of the property factor, all property except mobile or movable property such as passenger cars, freight cars, locomotives and freight containers located within and without this state during the income year shall be included in the numerator of the property factor.

(b) Mobile or movable property such as passenger cars, freight cars, locomotives and freight containers located within and without this state during the income year shall be included in the numerator of the property factor in the ratio that locomotive-miles and car-miles in the state bear to the total of locomotive-miles and car-miles both within and without this state.

(5) The denominator of the payroll factor is the total compensation paid within and without this state by the taxpayer during the income year for the production of business income. The numerator of the payroll factor is the amount of compensation paid within this state during the income year for the production of business income.

(a) With respect to all personnel except engine men and trainmen performing services on interstate trains, compensation shall be included in the numerator as provided in R865-6F-8(8).

(b) With respect to engine men and trainmen performing services on interstate trains, compensation shall be included in the numerator of the payroll factor in the ratio that their services performed in this state bear to their services performed within and without this state.

(c) Compensation for services performed in this state shall be deemed to be the compensation reported or required to be reported by employees for determination of their income tax liability to this state.

(6) In general, all revenue derived from transactions and activities in the regular course of the taxpayer's trade or business within and without this state that produce business income, except per diem and mileage charges that are calculated by the taxpayer, shall be included in the denominator of the revenue factor. The numerator of the revenue factor is the total revenue of the taxpayer within this state during the income year.

(a) The total revenue of the taxpayer in this state during the income year, other than revenue from hauling freight, passengers, mail and express, shall be attributable to this state in accordance with R865-6F-8(9).

(b) The total revenue of the taxpayer attributable to this state during the income year for the numerator of the revenue factor from hauling freight, mail and express shall be attributable to this state as follows:

(i) Intrastate: all receipts from shipments that both originate and terminate within this state; and

(ii) Interstate: that portion of the receipts from each movement or shipment passing through, into, or out of this state is determined by the ratio that the miles traveled by the movement or shipment in this state bears to the total miles traveled by the movement or shipment from point of origin to destination.

(c) The total revenue of the taxpayer attributable to this state during the income year for the numerator of the revenue factor from hauling passengers shall be attributable to this state as follows:

(i) Intrastate: all receipts from the transportation of passengers, including mail and express handled in passenger service, that both originate and terminate within this state; and

(ii) Interstate: that portion of the receipts from the transportation of interstate passengers, including mail and express handled in passenger service, determined by the ratio that passenger miles in this state bear to the total of passenger miles within and without this state.

(7) The taxpayer shall maintain the records necessary to identify mobile property and to enumerate by state the mobile property miles traveled by mobile property. These records are subject to review by the Tax Commission or its agents.

R865-6F-30. Higher Education Savings Incentive Program Tax Deduction Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. Sections 53B-8a-112, 59-7-105, and 59-7-106.

(1) "Trust" means the Utah Educational Savings Plan Trust created pursuant to Section 53B-8a-103.

(2) The trustee of the trust shall file a form TC-675H, Statement of Account with the Utah Educational Savings Plan Trust, with the commission, for each trust account owner. The TC-675H shall contain the following information for the calendar year:

(a) the amount contributed to the trust by the account owner; and

(b) the amount disbursed to the account owner pursuant to Section 53B-8a-109.

(3) The trustee of the trust shall file form TC-675H with the commission on or before January 31 of the year following the calendar year on which the forms are based.

(4) The trustee of the trust shall provide each trust account owner with a copy of the form TC-675H on or before January 31 of the year following the calendar year on which the TC-

675H is based.

(5) The trustee of the trust shall maintain original records supporting the amounts listed on the TC-675H for the current year filing and the three previous year filings.

R865-6F-31. Taxation of Publishing Companies Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. Sections 59-7-302 through 59-7-321.

(1) Definitions.

(a) "Outer-jurisdictional property" means certain types of tangible personal property, such as orbiting satellites, undersea transmission cables and the like, that are owned or rented by the taxpayer and used in the business of publishing, licensing, selling or otherwise distributing printed material, but that are not physically located in any particular state.

(b) "Print" or "printed material" means the physical embodiment or printed version of any thought or expression, including a play, story, article, column or other literary, commercial, educational, artistic or other written or printed work. The determination of whether an item is or consists of print or printed material shall be made without regard to its content. Printed material may take the form of a book, newspaper, magazine, periodical, trade journal, or any other form of printed matter and may be contained on any medium or property.

(c) "Purchaser" and "subscriber" mean the individual, residence, business or other outlet that is the ultimate or final recipient of the print or printed material. Neither term shall mean or include a wholesaler or other distributor of print or printed material.

(d) "Terrestrial facility" shall include any telephone line, cable, fiber optic, microwave, earth station, satellite dish, antennae, or other relay system or device that is used to receive, transmit, relay or carry any data, voice, image or other information that is transmitted from or by any outer-jurisdictional property to the ultimate recipient thereof.

(2) When a taxpayer in the business of publishing, selling, licensing or distributing books, newspapers, magazines, periodicals, trade journals, or other printed material has income from sources both within and without this state, the amount of business income from sources within this state shall be determined pursuant to this rule. In those cases, the first step is to determine what portion of the taxpayer's income constitutes business income and what portion constitutes nonbusiness income. Nonbusiness income is directly allocable to specific states and business income is apportioned among the states in which the business is conducted and pursuant to the property, payroll, and sales apportionment factors set forth in this rule. The sum of the items of nonbusiness income directly allocated to this state, plus the amount of business income apportioned to this state, constitutes the amount of the taxpayer's entire net income subject to tax in this state.

(3) The fraction by which business income shall be apportioned to the state shall be determined in accordance with rule R865-6F-8(3) and (6). Except as modified by this rule, the property factor shall be determined in accordance with R865-6F-8(7), the payroll factor in accordance with R865-6F-8(8), and the sales factor in accordance with R865-6F-8(9).

(4) All real and tangible personal property, including outer-jurisdictional property, whether owned or rented, that is used in the business shall be included in the denominator of the property factor.

(5)(a) All real and tangible personal property owned or rented by the taxpayer and used within this state during the tax period shall be included in the numerator of the property factor.

(b) Outer-jurisdictional property owned or rented by the taxpayer and used in this state during the tax period shall be included in the numerator of the property factor in the ratio that the value of the property attributable to its use by the taxpayer in business activities within this state bears to the value of the property attributable to its use in the taxpayer's business activities within and without this state.

(i) The value of outer-jurisdictional property attributed to the numerator of the property factor of this state shall be determined by the ratio that the number of uplinks and downlinks, or half-circuits, used during the tax period to transmit from this state and to receive in this state any data, voice, image or other information bears to the number of uplinks and downlinks or half-circuits used for transmissions within and without this state.

(ii) If information regarding uplink and downlink or half-circuit usage is not available or if measurement of activity is not applicable to the type of outer-jurisdictional property used by the taxpayer, the value of that property attributed to the numerator of the property factor of this state shall be determined by the ratio that the amount of time, in terms of hours and minutes of use, or other measurement of use of outer-jurisdictional property that was used during the tax period to transmit from this state and to receive within this state any data, voice, image or other information bears to the total amount of time or other measurement of use that was used for transmissions within and without this state.

(iii) Outer-jurisdictional property shall be considered to have been used by the taxpayer in its business activities within this state when that property, wherever located, has been employed by the taxpayer in any manner in the publishing, sale, licensing or other distribution of books, newspapers, magazines or other printed material, and any data, voice, image or other information is transmitted to or from this state either through an earth station or terrestrial facility located within this state.

(A) One example of the use of outer-jurisdictional property is when the taxpayer owns its own communications satellite or leases the use of uplinks, downlinks or circuits or time on a communications satellite for the purpose of sending messages to its newspaper printing facilities or employees. The states in which any printing facility that receives the satellite communications are located and the state from which the communications were sent would, under this rule, apportion the cost of the owned or rented satellite to their respective property factors based upon the ratio of the in-state use of the satellite to its usage within and without the state.

(B) Assume that ABC Newspaper Co. owns a total of $400,000,000 of property and, in addition, owns and operates a communication satellite for the purpose of sending news articles to its printing plant in this state, as well as for communicating with its printing plants and facilities or news bureaus, employees and agents located in other states and throughout the world. Also assume that the total value of its real and tangible personal property that was permanently located in this state for the entire income year was valued at $3,000,000. Assume also that the original cost of the satellite is $100,000,000 for the tax period and that of the 10,000 uplinks and downlinks or half-circuits of satellite transmissions used by the taxpayer during the tax period, 200 or 2% are attributable to its satellite communications received in and sent from this state. Assume further that the company's mobile property that was used partially within this state, consisting of 40 delivery trucks, was determined to have an original cost of $4,000,000 and was used in this state for 95 days. The total value of property attributed to this state is determined as follows:

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Value of property permanently in state =	$3,000,000
Value of mobile property:	
95/365 or (.260274) x $4,000,000 =	$1,041,096
Value of leased satellite property used in-state:	
(.02) x $100,000,000 =	$2,000,000
Total value of property attributable to state =	$6,041,096

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Total property factor percentage:
$6,041,096/$500,000,000 =                    1.2082%
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(6) The payroll factor shall be determined in accordance with Sections 59-7-315 and 59-7-316.

(7) The denominator of the sales factor shall include the total gross receipts derived by the taxpayer from transactions and activity in the regular course of its trade or business, except receipts that may be excluded under R865-6F-8(10)(c).

(8) The numerator of the sales factor shall include all gross receipts of the taxpayer from sources within this state, including the following:

(a) Gross receipts derived from the sale of tangible personal property, including printed materials, delivered or shipped to a purchaser or a subscriber in this state; and

(b) Except as provided in Subsection (8)(b)(ii), gross receipts derived from advertising and the sale, rental, or other use of the taxpayer's customer lists or any portion thereof shall be attributed to this state as determined by the taxpayer's circulation factor during the tax period. The circulation factor shall be determined for each publication of printed material containing advertising and shall be equal to the ratio that the taxpayer's in-state circulation to purchasers and subscribers of its printed material bears to its circulation to purchasers and subscribers within and without the state.

(i) The circulation factor for an individual publication shall be determined by reference to the rating statistics as reflected in such sources as Audit Bureau of Circulations or other comparable sources, provided that the source selected is consistently used from year to year for that purpose. If none of the foregoing sources are available, or, if available, not in form or content sufficient for these purposes, the circulation factor shall be determined from the taxpayer's books and records.

(ii) When specific items of advertisements can be shown, upon clear and convincing evidence, to have been distributed solely to a limited regional or local geographic area in which this state is located, the taxpayer may petition, or the Tax Commission may require, that a portion of those receipts be attributed to the sales factor numerator of this state on the basis of a regional or local geographic area circulation factor and not upon the basis of the circulation factor provided by Subsection (8)(b)(i). This attribution shall be based upon the ratio that the taxpayer's circulation to purchasers and subscribers located in this state of the printed material containing specific items of advertising bears to its total circulation of printed material to purchasers and subscribers located within the regional or local geographic area. This alternative attribution method shall be permitted only upon the condition that receipts are not double counted or otherwise included in the numerator of any other state.

(iii) If the purchaser or subscriber is the United States government or if the taxpayer is not taxable in a state, the gross receipts from all sources, including the receipts from the sale of printed material, from advertising, and from the sale, rental or other use of the taxpayer's customer lists, or any portion thereof that would have been attributed by the circulation factor to the numerator of the sales factor for that state, shall be included in the numerator of the sales factor of this state if the printed material or other property is shipped from an office, store, warehouse, factory, or other place of storage or business in this state.

R865-6F-32. Taxation of Financial Institutions Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. Sections 59-7-302 through 59-7-321.

(1) Definitions.

(a) "Billing address" means the location indicated in the books and records of the taxpayer on the first day of the taxable year, or on the later date in the taxable year when the customer relationship began, where any notice, statement or bill relating to a customer's account is mailed.

(b) "Borrower or credit card holder located in this state" means:

(i) a borrower, other than a credit card holder, that is engaged in a trade or business that maintains its commercial domicile in this state; or

(ii) a borrower that is not engaged in a trade or business, or a credit card holder, whose billing address is in this state.

(c) "Commercial domicile" means:

(i) the place from which the trade or business is principally managed and directed; or

(ii) if a taxpayer is organized under the laws of a foreign country, or of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, or any territory or possession of the United States, that taxpayer's commercial domicile shall be deemed for the purposes of this rule to be the state of the United States or the District of Columbia from which that taxpayer's trade or business in the United States is principally managed and directed. It shall be presumed, subject to rebuttal, that the location from which the taxpayer's trade or business is principally managed and directed is the state of the United States or the District of Columbia to which the greatest number of employees are regularly connected or out of which they are working, irrespective of where the services of those employees are performed, as of the last day of the taxable year.

(d) "Compensation" means wages, salaries, commissions, and any other form of remuneration paid to employees for personal services that are included in the employee's gross income under the federal Internal Revenue Code. In the case of employees not subject to the federal Internal Revenue Code, the determination of whether payments constitute gross income under the federal Internal Revenue Code shall be made as though those employees were subject to the federal Internal Revenue Code.

(e) "Credit card" means a credit, travel, or entertainment card.

(f) "Credit card issuer's reimbursement fee" means the fee a taxpayer receives from a merchant's bank because one of the persons to whom the taxpayer has issued a credit card has charged merchandise or services to the credit card.

(g) "Employee" means, with respect to a particular taxpayer, any individual who, under the usual common law rules applicable in determining the employer-employee relationship, has the status of an employee of that taxpayer.

(h) "Financial institution" means:

(i) any corporation or other business entity registered under state law as a bank holding company or registered under the Federal Bank Holding Company Act of 1956, as amended, or registered as a savings and loan holding company under the Federal National Housing Act, as amended;

(ii) a national bank organized and existing as a national bank association pursuant to the provisions of the National Bank Act, 12 U.S.C. Sections21 et seq.;

(iii) a savings association or federal savings bank as defined in the Federal Deposit Insurance Act, 12 U.S.C. Section 1813(b)(1);

(iv) any bank, industrial loan corporation, or thrift institution incorporated or organized under the laws of any state;

(v) any corporation organized under the provisions of 12 U.S.C. Sections611 through 631.

(vi) any agency or branch of a foreign depository as defined in 12 U.S.C. Section3101;

(vii) a production credit association organized under the Federal Farm Credit Act of 1933, all of whose stock held by the Federal Production Credit Corporation has been retired;

(viii) any corporation whose voting stock is more than 50 percent owned, directly or indirectly, by any person or business entity described in Subsections (1)(h)(i) through (vii), other than an insurance company taxable under Title 59, Chapter 9, Taxation of Admitted Insurers;

(ix) a corporation or other business entity that derives more than 50 percent of its total gross income for financial accounting purposes from finance leases. For purposes of this subsection, a "finance lease" shall mean any lease transaction that is the functional equivalent of an extension of credit and that transfers substantially all of the benefits and risks incident to the ownership of property. The phrase shall include any direct financing lease or leverage lease that meets the criteria of Financial Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 13, Accounting for Leases, or any other lease that is accounted for as a financing lease by a lessor under generally accepted accounting principles. For this classification to apply:

(A) the average of the gross income in the current tax year and immediately preceding two tax years must satisfy the more than 50 percent requirement; and

(B) gross income from incidental or occasional transactions shall be disregarded;

(x) any other person or business entity, other than an insurance company, a credit union exempt from the corporation franchise tax under Section 59-7-102, a real estate broker, or a securities dealer, that derives more than 50 percent of its gross income from activities that a person described in Subsections (1)(h)(ii) through (vii) and (1)(h)(ix) is authorized to transact.

(A) For purposes of this subsection, the computation of gross income shall not include income from non-recurring, extraordinary items; and

(B) The Tax Commission is authorized to exclude any person from the application of Subsection (1)(h)(x) upon receipt of proof, by clear and convincing evidence, that the income-producing activity of that person is not in substantial competition with those persons described in Subsections (1)(h)(ii) through (vii) and (1)(h)(ix).

(i) "Gross rents" means the actual sum of money or other consideration payable for the use or possession of property.

(i) Gross rents includes:

(A) any amount payable for the use or possession of real property or tangible property whether designated as a fixed sum of money or as a percentage of receipts, profits or otherwise;

(B) any amount payable as additional rent or in lieu of rent, such as interest, taxes, insurance, repairs or any other amount required to be paid by the terms of a lease or other arrangement; and

(C) a proportionate part of the cost of any improvement to real property, made by or on behalf of the taxpayer, that reverts to the owner or lessor upon termination of a lease or other arrangement. The amount included in gross rents is the amount of amortization or depreciation allowed in computing the taxable income base for the taxable year. However, where a building is erected on leased land by or on behalf of the taxpayer, the value of the land is determined by multiplying the gross rent by eight and the value of the building is determined in the same manner as if owned by the taxpayer.

(ii) Gross rents does not include:

(A) reasonable amounts payable as separate charges for water and electric service furnished by the lessor;

(B) reasonable amounts payable as service charges for janitorial services furnished by the lessor;

(C) reasonable amounts payable for storage, provided those amounts are payable for space not designated and not under the control of the taxpayer; and

(D) that portion of any rental payment applicable to the space subleased from the taxpayer and not used by the taxpayer.

(j) "Loan" means any extension of credit resulting from direct negotiations between the taxpayer and the taxpayer's customer, or the purchase, in whole or in part, of an extension of credit from another.

(i) Loan includes participations, syndications, and leases treated as loans for federal income tax purposes.

(ii) Loan does not include properties treated as loans under Section 595 of the federal Internal Revenue Code, futures or forward contracts, options, notional principal contracts such as swaps, credit card receivables, including purchased credit card relationships, non-interest bearing balances due from depository institutions, cash items in the process of collection, federal funds sold, securities purchased under agreements to resell, assets held in a trading account, securities, interests in a real estate mortgage investment conduit as defined in Section 860D of the Internal Revenue Code, or other mortgage-backed or asset-backed security, and other similar items.

(k) "Loans secured by real property" means that fifty percent or more of the aggregate value of the collateral used to secure a loan or other obligation, when valued at fair market value as of the time the original loan or obligation was incurred, was real property.

(l) "Merchant discount" means the fee, or negotiated discount, charged to a merchant by the taxpayer for the privilege of participating in a program whereby a credit card is accepted in payment for merchandise or services sold to the card holder.

(m) "Participation" means an extension of credit in which an undivided ownership interest is held on a pro rata basis in a single loan or pool of loans and related collateral. In a loan participation, the credit originator initially makes the loan and then subsequently resells all or a portion of it to other lenders. The participation may or may not be known to the borrower.

(n) "Person" means an individual, estate, trust, partnership, corporation, and any other business entity.

(o) "Principal base of operations" means:

(i) with respect to transportation property, the place of more or less permanent nature from which that property is regularly directed or controlled; and

(ii) with respect to an employee, the place of more or less permanent nature from which the employee regularly:

(A) starts his work and to which he customarily returns in order to receive instructions from his employer;

(B) communicates with his customers or other persons; or

(C) performs any other functions necessary to the exercise of his trade or profession at some other point or points.

(p)(i) "Real property owned" and "tangible personal property owned" mean real and tangible personal property, respectively:

(A) on which the taxpayer may claim depreciation for federal income tax purposes; or

(B) property to which the taxpayer holds legal title and on which no other person may claim depreciation for federal income tax purposes, or could claim depreciation if subject to federal income tax.

(ii) Real and tangible personal property do not include coin, currency, or property acquired in lieu of or pursuant to a foreclosure.

(q) "Regular place of business" means an office at which the taxpayer carries on business in a regular and systematic manner and is continuously maintained, occupied, and used by employees of the taxpayer.

(r) "State" means a state of the United States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, any territory or possession of the United States, or any foreign country.

(s) "Syndication" means an extension of credit in which two or more persons fund and each person is at risk only up to a specified percentage of the total extension of credit or up to a specified dollar amount.

(t) "Taxable" means:

(i) a taxpayer is subject in another state to a net income tax, a franchise tax measured by net income, a franchise tax for the privilege of doing business, a corporate stock tax, including a bank shares tax, a single business tax, an earned surplus tax, or any tax imposed upon or measured by net income; or

(ii) another state has jurisdiction to subject the taxpayer to taxes regardless of whether that state actually imposes those

taxes.

(u) "Transportation property" means vehicles and vessels capable of moving under their own power, such as aircraft, trains, water vessels and motor vehicles, as well as any equipment or containers attached to that property, such as rolling stock, barges, and trailers.

(2) Apportionment and Allocation.

(a) A financial institution whose business activity is taxable both within and without this state, or a financial institution whose business activity is taxable within this state and is a member of a unitary group that includes one or more financial institutions where any member of the group is taxable without this state, shall allocate and apportion its net income as provided in this rule. All items of nonbusiness income shall be allocated pursuant to the provisions of Section 59-7-306. A financial institution organized under the laws of a foreign country, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, or a territory or possession of the United States, whose effectively connected income, as defined under the federal Internal Revenue Code, is taxable both within this state and within another state, other than the state in which it is organized, shall allocate and apportion its net income as provided in this rule.

(b) The fraction by which business income shall be apportioned to the state shall be determined in accordance with rule R865-6F-8(3) and (6). Except as modified by this rule, the property factor shall be determined in accordance with R865-6F-8(7), the payroll factor in accordance with R865-6F-8(8), and the sales factor in accordance with R865-6F-8(9).

(c) Each factor shall be computed according to the cash or accrual method of accounting as used by the taxpayer for the taxable year.

(d) If a unitary group of corporations filing a combined report includes one or more corporations meeting the definition of financial institution and one or more corporations that do not meet that definition, the provisions of this rule regarding the calculation of the property, payroll, and receipts factors of the apportionment fraction shall apply only to those corporations meeting the definition of financial institution. Those corporations not meeting the definition of financial institution shall compute their apportionment data based on rule R865-6F-8 or such other industry apportionment rule adopted by the Tax Commission that may be applicable. The apportionment data of all members of the unitary group shall be included in calculating a single apportionment fraction for the unitary group. The numerators and denominators of the property, payroll, and receipts factors of the financial institutions shall be added to the numerators and denominators, respectively, of the property, payroll, and sales factors of the nonfinancial institutions to determine the property, payroll, and sales factors of the unitary group.

(3) Receipts Factor.

(a) In general. The receipts factor is a fraction, the numerator of which is the receipts of the taxpayer in this state during the taxable year and the denominator of which is the receipts of the taxpayer within and without this state during the taxable year. The method of calculating receipts for purposes of the denominator is the same as the method used in determining receipts for purposes of the numerator. The receipts factor shall include only those receipts that constitute business income and are included in the computation of the apportionable income base for the taxable year.

(b) Receipts from the lease of real property. The numerator of the receipts factor includes receipts from the lease or rental of real property owned by the taxpayer and receipts from the sublease of real property, if the property is located within this state.

(c) Receipts from the lease of tangible personal property.

(i) Except as described in Subsection (3)(d), the numerator of the receipts factor includes receipts from the lease or rental of tangible personal property owned by the taxpayer if the property is located within this state when it is first placed in service by the lessee.

(ii) Receipts from the lease or rental of transportation property owned by the taxpayer are included in the numerator of the receipts factor to the extent that the property is used in this state.

(A) The extent an aircraft will be deemed to be used in this state and the amount of receipts that shall be included in the numerator of this state's receipts factor are determined by multiplying all the receipts from the lease or rental of the aircraft by a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of landings of the aircraft in this state and the denominator of which is the total number of landings of the aircraft.

(B) If the extent of the use of any transportation property within this state cannot be determined, that property will be deemed to be used wholly in the state in which the property has its principal base of operations.

(C) A motor vehicle will be deemed to be used wholly in the state in which it is registered.

(d) Interest from loans secured by real property.

(i) The numerator of the receipts factor includes interest and fees or penalties in the nature of interest from loans secured by real property if the property is located within this state. If the property is located both within this state and one or more other states, the receipts described in this subsection are included in the numerator of the receipts factor if more than fifty percent of the fair market value of the real property is located within this state. If more than fifty percent of the fair market value of the real property is not located within any one state, the receipts described in this subsection shall be included in the numerator of the receipts factor if the borrower is located in this state.

(ii) The determination of whether the real property securing a loan is located within this state shall be made as of the time the original agreement was made, and any and all subsequent substitutions of collateral shall be disregarded.

(e) Interest from loans not secured by real property. The numerator of the receipts factor includes interest and fees or penalties in the nature of interest from loans not secured by real property if the borrower is located in this state.

(f) Net gains from the sale of loans. The numerator of the receipts factor includes net gains from the sale of loans. Net gains from the sale of loans includes income recorded under the coupon stripping rules of Section 1286 of the Internal Revenue Code.

(i) The amount of net gains, but not less than zero, from the sale of loans secured by real property included in the numerator is determined by multiplying the net gains by a fraction the numerator of which is the amount included in the numerator of the receipts factor pursuant to Subsection (3)(d), and the denominator of which is the total amount of interest and fees or penalties in the nature of interest from loans secured by real property.

(ii) The amount of net gains, but not less than zero, from the sale of loans not secured by real property included in the numerator is determined by multiplying the net gains by a fraction the numerator of which is the amount included in the numerator of the receipts factor pursuant to Subsection (3)(e), and the denominator of which is the total amount of interest and fees or penalties in the nature of interest from loans not secured by real property.

(g) Receipts from credit card receivables. The numerator of the receipts factor includes interest and fees or penalties in the nature of interest from credit card receivables and receipts from fees charged to card holders, such as annual fees, if the billing address of the card holder is in this state.

(h) Net gains from the sale of credit card receivables. The numerator of the receipts factor includes net gains, but not less than zero, from the sale of credit card receivables multiplied by

a fraction, the numerator of which is the amount included in the numerator of the receipts factor pursuant to Subsection (3)(g), and the denominator of which is the taxpayer's total amount of interest and fees or penalties in the nature of interest from credit card receivables and fees charged to card holders.

(i) Credit card issuer's reimbursement fees. The numerator of the receipts factor includes all credit card issuer's reimbursement fees multiplied by a fraction, the numerator of which is the amount included in the numerator of the receipts factor pursuant to Subsection (3)(g), and the denominator of which is the taxpayer's total amount of interest and fees or penalties in the nature of interest from credit card receivables and fees charged to card holders.

(j) Receipts from merchant discount. The numerator of the receipts factor includes receipts from merchant discount if the commercial domicile of the merchant is in this state. The receipts shall be computed net of any cardholder charge backs, but shall not be reduced by any interchange transaction fees or by any issuer's reimbursement fees paid to another for charges made by its card holders.

(k) Loan servicing fees.

(i) The numerator of the receipts factor includes loan servicing fees derived from loans secured by real property multiplied by a fraction the numerator of which is the amount included in the numerator of the receipts factor pursuant to Subsection (3)(d), and the denominator of which is the total amount of interest and fees or penalties in the nature of interest from loans secured by real property.

(ii) The numerator of the receipts factor includes loan servicing fees derived from loans not secured by real property multiplied by a fraction the numerator of which is the amount included in the numerator of the receipts factor pursuant to Subsection (3)(e), and the denominator of which is the total amount of interest and fees or penalties in the nature of interest from loans not secured by real property.

(iii) In circumstances in which the taxpayer receives loan servicing fees for servicing either the secured or the unsecured loans of another, the numerator of the receipts factor shall include those fees if the borrower is located in this state.

(l) Receipts from services. The numerator of the receipts factor includes receipts from services not otherwise apportioned under this section if the service is performed in this state. If the service is performed both within and without this state, the numerator of the receipts factor includes receipts from services not otherwise apportioned under this section if a greater proportion of the income-producing activity is performed in this state based on cost of performance.

(m) Receipts from investment assets and activities and trading assets and activities.

(i) Interest, dividends, net gains, but not less than zero, and other income from investment assets and activities and from trading assets and activities shall be included in the receipts factor.

(ii) Investment assets and activities and trading assets and activities include investments securities, trading account assets, federal funds, securities purchased and sold under agreements to resell or repurchase, options, futures contracts, forward contracts, notional principal contracts such as swaps, equities, and foreign currency transactions.

(iii) The receipts factor shall include the following investment and trading assets and activities:

(A) The receipts factor shall include the amount by which interest from federal funds sold and securities purchased under resale agreements exceeds interest expense on federal funds purchased and securities sold under repurchase agreements.

(B) The receipts factor shall include the amount by which interest, dividends, gains and other income from trading assets and activities, including assets and activities in the matched book and arbitrage book, and foreign currency transactions, exceed amounts paid in lieu of interest, amounts paid in lieu of dividends, and losses from those assets and activities.

(iv) The numerator of the receipts factor includes interest, dividends, net gains, but not less than zero, and other income from investment assets and activities and from trading assets and activities described in Subsection (3)(m) that are attributable to this state.

(A) The amount of interest, dividends, net gains, but not less than zero, and other income from investment assets and activities in the investment accounts attributed to this state and included in the numerator is determined by multiplying all such income from assets and activities by a fraction, the numerator of which is the average value of the assets properly assigned to a regular place of business of the taxpayer within this state and the denominator of which is the average value of all those assets.

(B) The amount of interest from federal funds sold and purchased and from securities purchased under resale agreements and securities sold under repurchase agreements attributable to this state and included in the numerator is determined by multiplying the amount of those funds and securities described in Subsection (3)(m)(iii)(A) by a fraction, the numerator of which is the average value of federal funds sold and securities purchased under agreements to resell that are properly assigned to a regular place of business of the taxpayer within this state and the denominator of which is the average value of all those funds and securities.

(C) The amount of interest, dividends, gains, and other income from trading assets and activities, including assets and activities in the matched book and arbitrage book and foreign currency transactions, but excluding amounts described in Subsections (3)(m)(iv)(A) and (3)(m)(iv)(B), attributable to this state and included in the numerator is determined by multiplying the amount described in Subsection (3)(m)(iii)(B) by a fraction, the numerator of which is the average value of those trading assets that are properly assigned to a regular place of business of the taxpayer within this state and the denominator of which is the average value of all those assets.

(D) For purposes of this subsection, average value shall be determined using the rules for determining the average value of tangible personal property set forth in Subsections (4)(c) and (d).

(v) In lieu of using the method set forth in Subsection (3)(m)(iv), the taxpayer may elect, or the Tax Commission may require in order to fairly represent the business activity of the taxpayer in this state, the use of the method set forth in this subsection.

(A) The amount of interest, dividends, net gains, but not less than zero, and other income from investment assets and activities in the investment account attributed to this state and included in the numerator is determined by multiplying all income from those assets and activities by a fraction, the numerator of which is the gross income from those assets and activities properly assigned to a regular place of business of the taxpayer within this state and the denominator of which is the gross income from all those assets and activities.

(B) The amount of interest from federal funds sold and purchased and from securities purchased under resale agreements and securities sold under repurchase agreements attributable to this state and included in the numerator is determined by multiplying the amount of those funds and securities described in Subsection (3)(m)(iii)(A) by a fraction, the numerator of which is the gross income from those funds and securities properly assigned to a regular place of business of the taxpayer within this state and the denominator of which is the gross income from all those funds and securities.

(C) The amount of interest, dividends, gains and other income from trading assets and activities, including assets and activities in the matched book and arbitrage book and foreign currency transactions, but excluding amounts described in

Subsections (3)(m)(v)(A) or (B), attributable to this state and included in the numerator is determined by multiplying the amount described in Subsection (3)(m)(iii)(B) by a fraction, the numerator of which is the gross income from those trading assets and activities properly assigned to a regular place of business of the taxpayer within this state and the denominator of which is the gross income from all those assets and activities.

(vi) If the taxpayer elects or is required by the Tax Commission to use the method set forth in Subsection (3)(m)(v), the taxpayer shall use this method on all subsequent returns unless the taxpayer receives prior permission from the Tax Commission to use, or the Tax Commission requires, a different method.

(vii) The taxpayer shall have the burden of proving that an investment asset or activity or trading asset or activity was properly assigned to a regular place of business outside of this state by demonstrating that the day-to-day decisions regarding the asset or activity occurred at a regular place of business outside this state. Where the day-to-day decisions regarding an investment asset or activity or trading asset or activity occur at more than one regular place of business and one regular place of business is in this state and one regular place of business is outside this state, that asset or activity shall be considered to be located at the regular place of business of the taxpayer where the investment or trading policies or guidelines with respect to the asset or activity are established. Unless the taxpayer demonstrates to the contrary, policies and guidelines shall be presumed to be established at the commercial domicile of the taxpayer.

(n) All other receipts. The numerator of the receipts factor includes all other receipts pursuant to the rules set forth in Rule R865-6F-8(9) and (10).

(o) Attribution of certain receipts to commercial domicile.

(i) Except as provided in Subsection (3)(o)(ii), all receipts that would be assigned under this section to a state in which the taxpayer is not taxable shall be included in the numerator of the receipts factor if the taxpayer's commercial domicile is in this state.

(ii)(A) If a unitary group includes one or more financial institutions, and if any member of the unitary group is subject to the taxing jurisdiction of this state, the receipts of each financial institution in the unitary group shall be included in the numerator of this state's receipts factor as provided in Subsections (3)(a) through (n) rather than being attributed to the commercial domicile of the financial institution as provided in Subsection (3)(o)(i).

(B) If a unitary group includes one or more financial institutions whose commercial domicile is in this state, and if any member of the unitary group is taxable in another state under section 59-7-305, the receipts of each financial institution in the unitary group that would be included in the numerator of the other state's receipts factor under Subsections (3)(a) through (n) may not be included in the numerator of this state's receipts factor.

(4) Property Factor.

(a) In General.

(i) For taxpayers that do not elect to include the property described in Subsections (4)(g) through (i) within the property factor, the property factor is a fraction, the numerator of which is the average value of real property and tangible personal property owned by or rented to the taxpayer that is located or used within this state during the taxable year, and the denominator of which is the average value of all that property located or used within and without this state during the taxable year.

(ii) For taxpayers that elect to include the property described in Subsections (4)(g) through (i) within the property factor, the property factor is a fraction, the numerator of which is the average value of real property and tangible personal property owned by or rented to the taxpayer that is located or used within this state during the taxable year, and the average value of the taxpayer's loans and credit card receivables that are located within this state during the taxable year, and the denominator of which is the average value of all that property located or used within and without this state during the taxable year.

(b) Property included. The property factor shall include only property the income or expenses of which are included, or would have been included if not fully depreciated or expensed, or depreciated or expensed to a nominal amount, in the computation of the apportionable income base for the taxable year.

(c) Value of property owned by the taxpayer.

(i) For taxpayers that do not elect to include the property described in Subsections (4)(g) through (i) within the property factor, the value of real property and tangible personal property owned by the taxpayer is the original cost or other basis of that property for federal income tax purposes without regard to depletion, depreciation or amortization.

(ii) For taxpayers that elect to include the property described in Subsections (4)(g) through (i) within the property factor:

(A) The value of real property and tangible personal property owned by the taxpayer is the original cost or other basis of that property for federal income tax purposes without regard to depletion, depreciation or amortization.

(B) Loans are valued at their outstanding principal balance, without regard to any reserve for bad debts. If a loan is charged-off in whole or in part for federal income tax purposes, the portion of the loan charged off is not outstanding. A specifically allocated reserve established pursuant to regulatory or financial accounting guidelines that is treated as charged-off for federal income tax purposes shall be treated as charged-off for purposes of this rule.

(C) Credit card receivables are valued at their outstanding principal balance, without regard to any reserve for bad debts. If a credit card receivable is charged-off in whole or in part for federal income tax purposes, the portion of the receivable charged-off is not outstanding.

(d) Average value of property owned by the taxpayer. The average value of property owned by the taxpayer is computed on an annual basis by adding the value of the property on the first day of the taxable year and the value on the last day of the taxable year and dividing the sum by two.

(i) If averaging on this basis does not properly reflect average value, the Tax Commission may require averaging on a more frequent basis, or the taxpayer may elect to average on a more frequent basis.

(ii) When averaging on a more frequent basis is required by the Tax Commission or is elected by the taxpayer, the same method of valuation must be used consistently by the taxpayer with respect to property within and without this state and on all subsequent returns unless the taxpayer receives prior permission from the Tax Commission to use a different method, or the Tax Commission requires a different method of determining average value.

(e) Average value of real property and tangible personal property rented to the taxpayer.

(i) The average value of real property and tangible personal property that the taxpayer has rented from another and are not treated as property owned by the taxpayer for federal income tax purposes, shall be determined annually by multiplying the gross rents payable during the taxable year by eight.

(ii) If the use of the general method described in this subsection results in inaccurate valuations of rented property, any other method that properly reflects the value may be adopted by the Tax Commission or by the taxpayer when

approved in writing by the Tax Commission. Once approved, that other method of valuation must be used on all subsequent returns unless the taxpayer receives prior approval from the Tax Commission to use a different method, or the Tax Commission requires a different method of valuation.

(f) Location of real property and tangible personal property owned or rented to the taxpayer.

(i) Except as described in Subsection (4)(f)(ii), real property and tangible personal property owned by or rented to the taxpayer are considered located within this state if they are physically located, situated, or used within this state.

(ii) Transportation property is included in the numerator of the property factor to the extent that the property is used in this state.

(A) The extent an aircraft will be deemed to be used in this state and the amount of value that shall be included in the numerator of this state's property factor is determined by multiplying the average value of the aircraft by a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of landings of the aircraft in this state and the denominator of which is the total number of landings of the aircraft everywhere.

(B) If the extent of the use of any transportation property within this state cannot be determined, the property will be deemed to be used wholly in the state in which the property has its principal base of operations.

(C) A motor vehicle will be deemed to be used wholly in the state in which it is registered.

(g) Location of Loans.

(i) A loan is considered located within this state if it is properly assigned to a regular place of business of the taxpayer within this state.

(ii) A loan is properly assigned to the regular place of business with which it has a preponderance of substantive contacts. A loan assigned by the taxpayer to a regular place of business without the state shall be presumed to have been properly assigned if:

(A) the taxpayer has assigned, in the regular course of its business, the loan on its records to a regular place of business consistent with federal or state regulatory requirements;

(B) the assignment on its records is based upon substantive contacts of the loan to the regular course of business; and

(C) the taxpayer uses the records reflecting assignment of loans for the filing of all state and local tax returns for which an assignment of loans to a regular place of business is required.

(iii) The presumption of proper assignment of a loan provided in Subsection (4)(g)(ii) may be rebutted upon a showing by the Tax Commission, supported by a preponderance of the evidence, that the preponderance of substantive contacts regarding the loan did not occur at the regular place of business to which it was assigned on the taxpayer's records. When the presumption has been rebutted, the loan shall then be located within this state if:

(A) the taxpayer had a regular place of business within this state at the time the loan was made; and

(B) the taxpayer fails to show, by a preponderance of the evidence, that the preponderance of substantive contacts regarding the loan did not occur within this state.

(iv) In the case of a loan assigned by the taxpayer to a place without this state that is not a regular place of business, it shall be presumed, subject to rebuttal by the taxpayer on a showing supported by the preponderance of the evidence, that the preponderance of substantive contacts regarding the loan occurred within this state if, at the time the loan was made the taxpayer's commercial domicile, as defined in this rule, was within this state.

(v) To determine the state in which the preponderance of substantive contacts relating to a loan have occurred, the facts and circumstances regarding the loan at issue shall be reviewed on a case-by-case basis, and consideration shall be given to activities such as the solicitation, investigation, negotiation, approval, and administration of the loan.

(A) Solicitation. Solicitation is either active or passive.

(I) Active solicitation occurs when an employee of the taxpayer initiates the contact with the customer. The activity is located at the regular place of business at which the taxpayer's employee is regularly connected or working out of, regardless of where the services of the employee were actually performed.

(II) Passive solicitation occurs when the customer initiates the contact with the taxpayer. If the customer's initial contact was not at a regular place of business of the taxpayer, the regular place of business, if any, where the passive solicitation occurred is determined by the facts in each case.

(B) Investigation. Investigation is the procedure whereby employees of the taxpayer determine the credit-worthiness of the customer as well as the degree of risk involved in making a particular agreement. The activity is located at the regular place of business at which the taxpayer's employees are regularly connected or working out of, regardless of where the services of those employees were actually performed.

(C) Negotiation. Negotiation is the procedure whereby employees of the taxpayer and its customer determine the terms of the agreement, such as amount, duration, interest rate, frequency of repayment, currency denomination, and security required. The activity is located at the regular place of business at which the taxpayer's employees are regularly connected or working out of, regardless of where the services of those employees were actually performed.

(D) Approval. Approval is the procedure whereby employees or the board of directors of the taxpayer make the final determination whether to enter into the agreement.

(I) The activity is located at the regular place of business at which the taxpayer's employees are regularly connected or working out of, regardless of where the services of those employees were actually performed.

(II) If the board of directors makes the final determination, the activity is located at the commercial domicile of the taxpayer.

(E) Administration. Administration is the process of managing the account.

(I) Administration includes bookkeeping, collecting the payments, corresponding with the customer, reporting to management regarding the status of the agreement and proceeding against the borrower or the security interest if the borrower is in default.

(II) The activity is located at the regular place of business that oversees this activity.

(h) Location of credit card receivables. For purposes of determining the location of credit card receivables, credit card receivables shall be treated as loans and shall be subject to the provisions of Subsection (4)(g).

(i) Period for which properly assigned loan remains assigned. A loan that has been properly assigned to a state shall, absent any change of material fact, remain assigned to that state for the length of the original term of the loan. Thereafter, the loan may be properly assigned to another state if the loan has a preponderance of substantive contact to a regular place of business in that state.

(j) Each taxpayer shall make an initial election on whether to include the property described in Subsections (4)(g) through (i) within the property factor. The initial election is the election made or the filing position taken on the first return filed after the effective date of this rule. This election is irrevocable for a period of three years from the time the initial election is made, except in the case where a substantial ownership change occurs and commission approval is obtained to change the election. After the initial three-year period, the election may be revocable only with the prior approval of the commission and shall require the showing of a significant change in circumstance.

(5) Payroll factor.

(a) In general. The payroll factor is a fraction, the numerator of which is the total amount paid in this state during the taxable year by the taxpayer for compensation and the denominator of which is the total compensation paid by the taxpayer both within and without this state during the taxable year. The payroll factor shall include only that compensation included in the computation of the apportionable income tax base for the taxable year.

(b) Compensation relating to nonbusiness income and independent contractors. The compensation of any employee for services or activities connected with the production of nonbusiness income, and payments made to any independent contractor or any other person not properly classifiable as an employee, shall be excluded from both the numerator and denominator of this factor.

(c) When compensation paid in this state. Compensation is paid in this state if any one of the following tests, applied consecutively, is met:

(i) The employee's services are performed entirely within this state.

(ii) The employee's services are performed both within and without the state, but the service performed without the state is incidental to the employee's service within the state. The term "incidental"means any service that is temporary or transitory in nature, or that is rendered in connection with an isolated transaction.

(iii) If the employee's services are performed both within and without this state, the employee's compensation will be attributed to this state:

(A) if the employee's principal base of operations is within this state;

(B) if there is no principal base of operations in any state in which some part of the services are performed, but the place from which the services are directed or controlled is in this state; or

(C) if the principal base of operations and the place from which the services are directed or controlled are not in any state in which some part of the service is performed but the employee's residence is in this state.

(6) This rule is effective for taxable years beginning after December 31, 1997.

R865-6F-33. Taxation of Telecommunications Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. Sections 59-7-302 through 59-7-321.

(1) Definitions.

(a) "Call" means a specific telecommunications transmission as described in Subsection (1)(f).

(b) "Channel termination point" means the point at which information can enter or leave the telecommunications network.

(c) "Communications channel" means a communications path, which can be one-way or two-way, depending on the channel, between two or more points. The path may be designed for the transmission of signals representing human speech, digital or analog data, facsimile, or images.

(d) "Outerjurisdictional property" means tangible personal property, such as orbiting satellites, undersea transmission cables and the like, that are owned or rented by the taxpayer and used in a telecommunications business, but that are not physically located in any particular state.

(e) "Private telecommunications service" means a dedicated telephone service that entitles the subscriber to the exclusive or priority use of a communications channel or groups of communications channels from one or more channel termination points to another channel termination point.

(f) "Telecommunications" means the electronic transmission of voice, data, image, and other information through the use of any medium such as wires, cables, electromagnetic waves, light waves, or any combination of those or similar media now in existence or that might be devised, but telecommunications does not include the information content of any such transmission.

(g) "Telecommunications service" means providing telecommunications, including services provided by telecommunication service resellers, for a charge and includes telephone service, telegraph service, paging service, personal communication services and mobile or cellular telephone service, but does not include electronic information service or Internet access service.

(2) Apportionment and Allocation.

(a) A corporation engaged in the business of telecommunications that is taxable both within and without this state, shall allocate and apportion its net income as provided in this rule. All items of nonbusiness income shall be allocated pursuant to the provisions of Section 59-7-306.

(b) All business income shall be apportioned to this state by multiplying that income by the apportionment percentage. The apportionment percentage is determined by adding the taxpayer's receipts factor, property factor and payroll factor and dividing that sum by three. If one of the factors is missing, the remaining factors are added and that sum is divided by two. If two of the factors are missing, the remaining factor is the apportionment percentage. A factor is missing if both its numerator and denominator are zero.

(c) The fraction by which business income shall be apportioned to the state shall be determined in accordance with rule R865-6F-8(3) and (6). Except as otherwise provided in this rule, the property factor shall be determined in accordance with R865-6F-8(7), the payroll factor in accordance with R865-6F-8(8) and the sales factor in accordance with R865-6F-8(9).

(3)(a) Property Factor.

(b) Outerjurisdictional property that is used by a taxpayer in providing a telecommunications service shall be attributed to this state based on the ratio of property within this state used in providing that service, to property everywhere used in providing the service, exclusive of property not located in any state. The term "property" as used herein refers to property includable in the property factor of the Utah apportionment fraction as defined in Tax Commission rule R865-6F-8(7).

(4) Sales Factor Numerator.

(a) The following sales and receipts from telecommunications service other than interstate or international private telecommunications service, shall be included in the Utah sales and receipts numerator:

(i) receipts derived from charges for providing telephone "access" from a location within Utah. "Access" means that a call can be made or received from a point within this state. An example of this type of receipt is a monthly subscriber fee billed with reference to equipment located in Utah;

(ii) receipts derived from charges for unlimited calling privileges, if the charges are billed by reference to equipment located in Utah;

(iii) receipts derived from charges for individual toll calls that originate and terminate in Utah;

(iv) receipts derived from charges for individual toll calls that either originate or terminate in Utah and are billed by reference to a customer or equipment located in Utah;

(v) receipts derived from any other charges if the charges are not includable in another state's sales factor numerator under that state's law, and the customer's billing address is in Utah.

(b) Gross receipts derived from providing interstate and international private telecommunications services shall be determined as follows:

(i) If the segment of the interstate or international channel between each termination point is separately billed, 100 percent of the charge imposed at each termination point in this state and for service in this state between those points is includable in the Utah sales factor. In addition, 50 percent of the charge imposed

for service between a channel termination point outside this state and a point inside the state shall be included in the Utah sales factor. For purposes of this paragraph, termination points shall be measured by the nearest termination point inside the state to the first termination point outside the state.

(ii) If each segment of the interstate or international channel is not separately billed, the Utah sales shall be the same portion of the interstate or international channel charge that the number of channel termination points within this state bears to the total number of channel termination points within and without this state.

R865-6F-34. Qualified Subchapter S Subsidiaries Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. Section 59-7-701.

A. "Qualified subchapter S subsidiary" means a qualified subchapter S subsidiary as defined in Section 1361(b), Internal Revenue Code.

B. For purposes of Title 59, Chapter 7, Part 7, a qualified subchapter S subsidiary shall be treated in the same manner as it is treated for federal tax purposes under Section 1361(b), Internal Revenue Code.

C. An S corporation that owns one or more qualified subchapter S subsidiaries must take into account the activities of each qualified subchapter S subsidiary in determining whether the S corporation parent is doing business in Utah. For purposes of this determination, all of a subsidiary's activities will be attributed to the S corporation parent.

D. For purposes of Title 59, Chapter 7, Part 7:

1. the Utah property, payroll, and sales of each qualified subchapter S subsidiary shall be added, respectively, to the Utah property, payroll, and sales of the S corporation parent to determine the numerators of the property, payroll, and sales factors; and

2. the total property, payroll, and sales of each qualified subchapter S subsidiary shall be added, respectively, to the total property, payroll, and sales of the S corporation parent to determine the denominators of the property, payroll, and sales factors.

E. Except as provided in D., the apportionment fraction for an S corporation shall be calculated based on Sections 59-7-311 through 59-7-321 and as provided in Tax Commission rule R865-6F-8.

R865-6F-35. S Corporation Determination of Tax Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. Section 59-7-703.

(1) For purposes of Section 59-7-703(2)(b)(i), "items of income or loss from Schedule K of the 1120S federal form" shall be calculated by:

(a) adding back to the line on the Schedule K labeled "Income/loss reconciliation" the amount included on that schedule for:

(i) charitable contributions;

(ii) total foreign taxes paid or accrued; and

(iii) recapture of a benefit derived from a deduction under Section 179, Internal Revenue Code.

(b) If the S corporation was not required to complete the line labeled "Income/loss reconciliation" on the Schedule K, a pro forma calculation of the amounts for charitable contributions and foreign taxes paid or accrued, and of the amount that would have been entered on the "Income/loss reconciliation" line shall be used for purposes of this rule.

(2) An S corporation shall withhold tax on behalf of a nonresident shareholder at the rate in effect in Section 59-10-104.

(3) An S corporation with nonresident shareholders shall complete Schedule N of form TC-20S, and shall provide the following information for each nonresident shareholder:

(a) name;

(b) social security number;

(c) percentage of S corporation held; and

(d) amount of Utah tax paid or withheld on behalf of that shareholder.

R865-6F-36. Taxation of Registered Securities or Commodities Broker or Dealer Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. Sections 59-7-302 through 59-7-321.

(1) Definitions.

(a) "Brokerage commission income" means income earned by a registered securities or commodities broker or dealer from the purchase and sale of securities or commodities by the broker or dealer:

(i) for which the broker or dealer does not take title; and

(ii) as an agent for a customer's account.

(b) "Commodity" is as defined in Section 475(e)(2), Internal Revenue Code.

(c) "Principal transaction" means a transaction where the registered securities or commodities broker or dealer acts as a principal or underwriter for the broker or dealer's own account, rather than as an agent for the customer.

(d) "Registered securities or commodities broker or dealer" means a corporation registered as a broker or dealer with the Securities and Exchange Commission or the Commodities Futures Trading Commission.

(e) "Security" is as defined in Section 475(c)(2), Internal Revenue Code.

(f) "Securities or commodities used to produce income" means securities or commodities that are purchased and held by a registered securities or commodities broker or dealer as a principal or underwriter for resale to its customers.

(2) Apportionment and allocation.

(a) A registered securities or commodities broker or dealer whose business activity is taxable both within and without this state shall allocate and apportion its net income as provided in this rule. All items of nonbusiness income shall be allocated pursuant to the provisions of Section 59-7-306.

(b) The fraction by which business income shall be apportioned to the state shall be determined in accordance with rule R865-6F-8(3) and (6). Except as otherwise provided in this rule, the property factor shall be determined in accordance with R865-6F-8(7), the payroll factor in accordance with R865-6F-8(8), and the sales factor in accordance with R865-6F-8(9).

(3) Property factor.

(a) The property factor is a fraction, the numerator of which is the average value of the taxpayer's real and tangible personal property owned or rented and used, or available for use, within this state during the taxable year, plus the average value of securities or commodities used to produce income during the taxable year that are held for resale exclusively through a branch, office, or other place of business in this state. The denominator is the average value of the total of the taxpayer's real and tangible personal property owned or rented and used within and without this state during the taxable year, plus the average value of all securities or commodities used to produce income during the taxable year.

(b) Securities or commodities used to produce income shall be valued at original cost.

(4) Sales factor.

(a) The sales factor is a fraction, the numerator of which is the total revenue that is derived from transactions and activities in the regular course of the taxpayer's trade or business within this state during the taxable year. The denominator is the total revenue that is derived from transactions and activities in the regular course of the taxpayer's trade or business within and without this state during the taxable year.

(b) Brokerage commission income shall be included in the denominator of the sales factor. Brokerage commission income shall be included in the numerator of the sales factor if the customer that is paying the commission is located in Utah. A

customer is located in Utah if the mailing address of the customer as it appears in the broker or dealer's records is in Utah.

(c) Gross receipts from principal transactions shall be included in the denominator of the sales factor. Gross receipts from principal transactions shall be included in the numerator of the sales factor if the sale is made through a branch, office, or other place of business in Utah. Gross receipts from principal transactions shall be determined after the deduction of any cost incurred by the taxpayer to acquire the securities or commodities.

(d) Other gross receipts such as margin interest on brokerage accounts and account maintenance fees shall be included in the denominator of the sales factor, and, if the customer that is paying the amounts or fees is located in Utah based on the customer address as it appears in the broker or dealer's records, in the numerator of the sales factor.

R865-6F-37. Disclosure of Reportable Transactions and Material Advisor List Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. Sections 59-1-1301 through 59-1-1309.

(1) A taxpayer shall disclose a reportable transaction to the commission by:

(a) marking the box on the taxpayer's corporate franchise or income tax return indicating that the taxpayer has filed federal form 8886, or successor form, with the Internal Revenue Service; and

(b) providing the commission a copy of the form described in Subsection (1)(a) upon the request of the commission.

(2)(a) A material advisor shall disclose a reportable transaction to the commission by attaching a copy of the federal form 8264, or successor form, and any additional information that the material advisor submitted to the Internal Revenue Service, to the form prescribed by the commission.

(b) A material advisor shall provide the commission the information described in Subsection (2)(a) within 60 days after the form 8264, or successor form, was required to be filed with the Internal Revenue Service.

(3)(a) The list of persons a material advisor is required to maintain under 26 C.F.R. Sec. 301.6112-1 shall satisfy the requirement for the list of persons a material advisor is required to maintain under Section 59-1-1307.

(b) If more than one material advisor is required to maintain a list of persons in accordance with Section 59-1-1307, the material advisor that maintained the list required by 26 C.F.R. Sec. 301.6112-1 shall maintain the list required by Section 59-1-1307.

R865-6F-38. Renewable Energy Credit Amount Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. Section 59-7-614.

An amount certified by the Utah State Energy Program under rule R638-2, Renewable Energy Systems Tax Credit, as qualifying for the tax credit under Section 59-7-614 shall, in the absence of fraud or misrepresentation, be the amount allowed by the commission as a credit under that section.

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R907. Transportation, Administration.
R907-64. Longitudinal and Wireless Access to Interstate Highway Rights-of-Way for Installation of Telecommunications Facilities.
R907-64-1. Purpose.

The purpose of this rule is to implement a program for facilitating longitudinal access and wireless access to interstate highway rights-of-way to provide for the installation, operation and maintenance of wireline and wireless telecommunications facilities in the rights-of-way. This rule recognizes the importance of quality of infrastructure of the Interstate System and that the safety and convenience of users of the Interstate System must be preserved to the greatest extent possible. Compatible with this principle, the rule also permits the use of the rights-of-way of the Interstate System for telecommunications facilities that support Federal and State laws that encourage competition in telecommunications services and the deployment of advanced telecommunications technologies. The Department shall, through designated personnel, facilitate such installations and maintenance of such facilities, which comply with the criteria established by this rule.

R907-64-2. Authority.

Subsection 72-7-108(2)(a) states that, except as provided in Subsection (4), the Department may allow a Telecommunication Facility Provider longitudinal access to the right-of-way of a highway on the Interstate System for the installation, operation, and maintenance of Telecommunication Facility.

R907-64-3. Definitions.

(1) "Department" means the Department of Transportation.

(2) "Clear Zone" means the total roadside border area, starting at the edge of the traveled way, available for safe use by errant vehicles. The width of the clear zone is dependent upon the traffic volumes, speeds and the roadway geometry.

(3) "Interstate System" means any existing or future highway included as a part of the national system on interstate and defense highways, as provided in the Federal Aid Highway Act of 1956 and any supplemental or amendatory acts, and which primarily consist of Interstate Highways I-15, I-215, I-70, I-80, and I-84.

(4) "Longitudinal access" means access to or use of any part of a right-of-way of a highway on the Interstate System that extends generally parallel to the right-of-way for a total of 30 or more linear meters.

(5) "Permit" means a document issued by the Department of Transportation to a Telecommunications Facility Provider which specifies the requirements and conditions under which longitudinal or wireless access to highway right-of-way of the Interstate System shall be allowed.

(6) "Right-of-way" means real property or an interest in real property, usually in a strip, acquired for or devoted to a highway.

(7) "Telecommunication Facility" means any telecommunication cable, line, fiber, wire, conduit, innerduct, access manhole, handhole, tower, pedestal, pole, box, transmitting equipment, receiving equipment, power equipment or other equipment, system and device used to transmit, receive, produce or distribute via wireless, wireline, electronic, or optical signal for communication purposes.

(8) "Telecommunications Facility Provider" means any owner or operator of a Telecommunication Facility.

(9) "Utility" includes telephone, wireline and wireless, gas, electricity, cable television, water, and sewer transmission lines, drainage and irrigation systems, and other similar utilities located in, on, along, across, over, through, or under any highway of the State Highway System.

(10) "Wireless access" means access to and use of any part of a right-of-way or rights-of-way on, any highway of the Interstate System for the purpose of constructing, installing, maintaining, using and operating Telecommunication Facilities for wireless telecommunications.

R907-64-4. Access Policy.

(1) Telecommunication facility accommodations on the Interstate System shall comply with the federal utilities accommodations policies set forth in 23 CFR 645 (1997): "It is in the public interest for utility facilities to be accommodated on the right-of-way when such use and occupancy of the highway right-of-way do not adversely affect highway or traffic safety, or otherwise impair the highway or its aesthetic quality, and do not conflict with the provisions of Federal, State or local laws or regulations."

(2) The Department also acknowledges that recent Federal and State Legislation, primarily the Telecommunications Act of 1996, Pub. L. No. 104-104, 110 Stat. 70 (Feb. 8, 1996) and Utah Code Section 54-8b-1, encourage competition in the provision of telecommunications services, and the development and deployment of advanced telecommunication technologies, infrastructure, and networks. These legislative initiatives in turn have increased demand for rights-of-way, including highway rights-of-way, for the installation of Telecommunication Facilities necessary to support increased competition and deployment of an advanced telecommunication infrastructure.

(3) The Department also recognizes that longitudinal access and wireless access for Telecommunication Facilities may be provided without compromising highway integrity, safety, normal highway operation or maintenance activities, while contributing to the deployment and efficient operation of intelligent transportation systems.

(4) Therefore, effective on or after August 17, 1999, the Department may allow longitudinal access and wireless access on highways of the Interstate System for placement, construction, installation, maintenance, repair, use, operation, replacement and removal of Telecommunication Facilities, as authorized by Utah Code Section 72-7-108 and subject to compliance with this rule. This rule applies only to longitudinal access and wireless access for Telecommunication Facilities on rights-of-way within the Interstate System and does not alter the existing policy concerning other Utilities on interstate rights-of-way, or for accommodating Utilities on other facilities under the jurisdiction of the Department.

R907-64-5. Limitations and Conditions.

(1) Longitudinal and wireless access of Telecommunication Facilities shall be permitted only as approved by the Executive Director or designee in accordance with the criteria and procedures set forth in this rule.

(2) Occupancy by longitudinal access or wireless access shall comply with, and produce no significant compromise of, the following factors:

(a) highway safety requirements of federal and state law;

(b) written policy and agreements adopted by the Department;

(c) safe use of highways in the Interstate System by the traveling public;

(d) prudent use and management of the Interstate System and its rights-of-way;

(e) highway design;

(f) highway construction;

(g) highway operational and/or technical capacity;

(h) highway maintenance or stability;

(i) future expansion of the Interstate System;

(j) physical environmental features; and

(k) physical capacity of the right-of-way to accommodate longitudinal access.

(3) In the interest of safety and preservation of the

highway facility and pavement structure, the placement, installation, maintenance, repair, use, operation, replacement and removal of Telecommunications Facilities with longitudinal access or wireless access to the Right-of-way of the Interstate System shall be accommodated only when in compliance with the "MANUAL FOR ACCOMMODATION OF UTILITIES AND THE CONTROL AND PROTECTION OF STATE HIGHWAY RIGHTS OF WAY," as adopted by rule (Rule 930-6), and with 23 CFR 645 (1997), Subpart B, "Accommodation of Utilities."

(a) The location of all Telecommunication Facilities, whether above ground or below ground installations, including towers, pedestals, poles and boxes, within the highway right-of-way of the Interstate System shall be as set forth in the permit and/or the negotiated agreement between the Telecommunications Facility Provider and the Department. Telecommunications Facilities shall avoid: (a) use of through traffic roadways, lanes and ramps for construction, inspection, testing or maintenance activities; (b) placement of facilities within the median strip; (c) placement of facilities in a non-uniform alignment; (d) placement of facilities in places other than at or adjacent to the Right-of-way line and beyond the recovery or clear zone area; or (e) placement of facilities within the clear zone of through-traffic roadways, lanes or ramps. The Executive Director or designee is authorized to grant variances from the Manual and guidelines on a case-by-case basis. Variances will not be granted if, in the opinion of the Executive Director or designee, they create unacceptable risks of significant compromise of any factor listed in Subsection R907-64-5(2) of this rule.

(4) The Department may consider financial and technical qualifications of telecommunication facility providers, and specify insurance requirements for contractors authorized to enter Interstate System rights-of-way to construct, install, inspect, test, maintain or repair Telecommunication Facilities with longitudinal access or wireless access. During each period that the Department authorizes longitudinal access or wireless access for construction and installation, the Department may require approved Telecommunication Facility Providers to install Telecommunication Facilities into the same general location on the Interstate System; coordinate their planning and work; install in a joint trench; and equitably share costs.

(5) The Department shall manage and administer access to rights-of-way of the Interstate System in compliance with 47 U.S.C. 253 (1999).

R907-64-6. Compensation.

(1) The Department shall require compensation from a Telecommunication Facility Provider under the provisions of Section 72-7-108 for longitudinal access or other use within the Right-of-way of the Interstate System consistent with the rate schedule adopted by the Department through rulemaking.

(2) Until the rate schedule has been formally adopted pursuant to Title 63, Chapter 46a, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, all agreements are subject to modification to comply with the rate schedule.

R907-64-7. Permits and Agreements.

(1) In accordance with 23 CFR 645 (1997), subpart B, "Accommodations of Utilities," the Utah Code Section 72-6-116 "Regulation of Utilities-Relocation of Utilities," and Rule R930-6, which is described in the Department's "Manual for Accommodation of Utilities and the Control and Protection of State Highway Rights of Way," a Telecommunication Facility Provider shall be required to complete and sign an agreement with the Department prior to obtaining a permit for construction or installation of Telecommunication Facilities in the Right-of-way. Based on the statements of interest, if any, received by the Department in response to its advertisements of intent to consider opening highway segments in the Interstate System for construction and installation of Telecommunication Facilities, as provided for in Subsections R907-64-8(3) and (4) of this rule, the Department shall determine within 30 days of the deadline for the receipt of such statements of interest, whether to open such segments for such use. If the Department decides to open such segments of the Interstate System for construction and installation of Telecommunication Facilities, it shall notify each Telecommunication Facility Provider which filed a statement of interest of such decision in writing and direct them to file with the Office of the Deputy Director an application, as modified by the Department from time to time, for a permit for longitudinal access or wireless access on rights-of-way in the Interstate System. The Department shall also specify the deadline for the filing of such permit applications.

(2) The Department will review each permit application within 30 working days following receipt thereof, in accordance with the criteria set forth in this rule. The review process will begin only when the Telecommunication Facility Provider(s) submits a complete permit application, including all documentation, as required in the "Manual for Accommodation of Utilities and the Control and Protection of State Highway Rights-of-Way," Rule R930-6. No later than the end of the 30 working day review period, the Department will either: (a) issue to the Telecommunications Facility Provider a written notice that the permit application is accepted for the negotiation of an agreement for the construction and installation of Telecommunication Facilities in the right-of-way segment, or (b) issue to the Telecommunication Facility Provider a written denial of the permit application, together with the specific reasons why the permit application was not approved, based on the criteria set forth in this rule. If the Telecommunication Facility Provider's permit application has been accepted for negotiation of an agreement, the Department shall commence such negotiations not later than five working days after the date of such notice of acceptance and shall proceed in a diligent manner to favorably conclude such negotiations, to execute the Department's standard form agreement with negotiated modifications necessary to accommodate the unique needs of each project, and to issue a permit for the construction and installation of Telecommunication Facilities in the right-of-way segment.

(3) Each agreement and permit shall comply with the contracting requirements listed or incorporated herein and authorize longitudinal access or wireless access only for the shorter of: (a) the time period requested by the Telecommunications Facility Provider, or (b) 30 years. Telecommunication Facility Providers shall be given every reasonable opportunity to renew any and all agreements and permits following the expiration of the term, provided that new mutually acceptable agreements are entered into between the Department and the Telecommunication Facility Providers.

(4) No permit shall be issued prior to an agreement having been reached between the Department and Telecommunication Facility Providers. Failure of the parties to reach agreement shall cause longitudinal access to be denied and no permit shall be issued.

R907-64-8. Limited, Periodic Opportunities for Installation for Longitudinal Access.

(1) In order to minimize adverse impacts to rights-of-way and related highway facilities and pavement structures within the Interstate System and to avoid significant compromise of the safe, efficient and convenient use of the Interstate System for the traveling pubic, advertising for longitudinal access for constructing and installing Telecommunication Facilities in any particular segment of such Rights-of-Way shall be limited in frequency to once every 18 months, except that the Executive Director or designee may permit construction and installation of

Telecommunications Facilities with longitudinal access more frequently than once every 18 months, based on factors in Section 64-5(2) of this rule.

(2) the 18 month period shall begin on the date of the Department's formal notice of intent to open access to any highway segment in the Interstate System which has been noticed.

(3) When exercising the discretion to permit construction and installation of Telecommunications Facilities with longitudinal access to the Interstate System, the Executive Director or his or her designee shall consider all factors relevant to the Department's policy with respect to utility accommodations as expressed in this rule, including the safe, effective, efficient use of highways in the Interstate System by the traveling public, impacts on the Interstate System's operational capacity, and prudent economic management of the Interstate System. The Department may perform capacity surveys of the Interstate System rights-of-way to assure that longitudinal access is feasible prior to opening any segment of the Interstate System to longitudinal access for new or additional Telecommunication Facilities.

(4) The Department will advertise intent to consider opening highway segments in the Interstate System to provide opportunities for constructing and installing Telecommunications Facilities for longitudinal access and wireless access, by one or more of the following means; provided, however, that Telecommunication Facility Providers who have been granted a certificate of convenience and necessity by the Public Service Commission of Utah shall be given actual notice by mail:

(a) Publication of the intent notice for not less than five consecutive days in a newspaper of national circulation;

(b) Publication of the intent notice for not less than five consecutive days in a newspaper of statewide circulation;

(c) Publication of notices of the intent in the calendar or other regular publications of the Department and/or those of other state agencies or Departments; or

(d) Press or news releases from the Department to newspapers, magazines, periodicals, or telecommunications industry publications.

(5) Advertisements and notices of intent to consider opening highway segments for constructing and installing Telecommunications Facilities in Interstate System highway rights-of-way whether for longitudinal access or wireless access, shall contain all of the following:

(a) A description of the segment or segments of the Interstate System for which longitudinal access for the installation and construction of Telecommunications Facilities are proposed;

(b) A deadline that is not less than 30 days from the first date of publication or release of an advertisement or notice of intent to consider opening, as described above in Subsection (3), for the filing of statements of interest with the office of the Deputy Director by Telecommunications Facility Providers regarding their interest in installing and constructing Telecommunications Facilities in one or more specified highway segments of the Interstate System; and

(c) The required contents of the statements of interest, to be filed in response to the advertisements or notices, shall include the identity of the interested party, the financial and technical qualifications of the interested party, and any other information specified by the Department in the advertisement or notice.

(6) Statements of interest received by the Department shall be processed in accordance with the requirements set forth herein. Based on its review of the statements of interest received, the Department will notify those Telecommunication Providers who submitted statements of interest of its intent to open one or more of the highway segments advertised within 30 days. This notice will include instructions to initiate the permitting process as specified in "Manual for Accommodation of Utilities and the Control and Protection of State Highway Rights-of-Way," (Rule R930-6).

(7) The Department may enter into negotiations with one or more of the interested parties filing Statements of Interest toward the execution of an agreement or agreements and permits required under Section R907-64-7 above. After executing an agreement and permit, each telecommunications facility provider shall file them with the office of the Deputy Director.

R907-64-9. Removal and Relocation.

Pursuant to Subsection 72-7-108(c)(v), the Department shall require the removal and/or relocation of Telecommunication Facilities located on the Interstate System when highway changes are required to provide for the free and safe flow of traffic at the Telecommunication Facility Provider's expense. If prudent management of the interstate highway rights-of-way demand, The Department may require removal and/or relocation of such Telecommunication Facilities upon expiration or earlier termination of the permit or other agreements at the Telecommunication Facility Provider's expense, in accordance with applicable law.

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R907-65. Compensation Schedule for Longitudinal Access to Interstate Highway Rights-of-Way for Installation of Telecommunications Facilities.
R907-65-1. Purpose.

The purpose of this rule is to implement a compensation schedule for longitudinal access to the rights-of-way of the interstate system for installation and operation of telecommunications facilities. This Rule establishes the methodology and schedules for charging compensation in accordance with Subsection 72-7-108(3)(b). Subsection 72-7-108(3)(b) requires that the compensation be:

fair and reasonable;

competitively neutral;

nondiscriminatory;

open to public inspection;

established to promote access by multiple telecommunication facility providers;

established for zones of the state, with zones determined based upon factors that include population density, distance, numbers of telecommunication subscribers, and the impact upon private right-of-way users;

established to encourage the deployment of digital infrastructure within the state.

R907-65-2. Authority.

Subsection 72-7-108(3)(c) states that the department shall establish a schedule of rates of compensation for longitudinal access granted under that section, and shall do so beginning October 1, 1999, and in accordance with Title 63, Chapter 46a, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act.

R907-65-3. Background.

The department has conducted an analysis of right-of-way values for the interstate system using current market data on (1) Utah real property values differentiated by location (northern Utah (Salt Lake City/surrounding counties), central Utah (Provo/surrounding counties), and southern Utah (Cedar City/St. George/surrounding counties), population density (urban, rural) and land use (residential, commercial, industrial, agriculture) and (2) appraisal values from department land acquisitions. These data were applied to fifteen right-of-way segments of the interstate system that the department defined based on various factors, including but not limited to location, similarity of land use, population density and number of telecommunications subscribers. Segment land values were then calculated based on the relevant "across-the-fence" property values and the following core assumptions:

Land needed for longitudinal installations of telecommunications facilities, including a buffer zone, will generally be 6 feet in width.

Values for preassembled right-of-way for longitudinal access are 200% of values for non-assembled right-of-way.

Values for underground use of right-of-way for longitudinal access are 50% of values for ground level and aboveground use.

Upper and lower bound real property values establish a valuation range for each segment. Point estimates of segment land values are calculated at the 30th percentile within this range.

Segment land values (reported in $/ft^2$) are converted to $/mile using the following formula:

Segment land value ($/mile) = Segment land value ($/ft^2$) x 5,280 ft/mile x easement width (6 ft).

The fifteen segments were then grouped into five zones based on similarities in segment attributes and values. For example, the rural segments of I-15, I-70 and I-84 were grouped to create zone 1, while the urban segment of I-15 traversing Salt Lake City was grouped with I-215 to create zone 5. Similar groupings make up zones 2, 3 and 4. Through this process, the department defined five zones with a weighted average land value for each zone.

The department then determined annual lease valuation, as a rate of return on the land values for each zone, using current market data. The department determined that a 10% annual rate of return on investment represents a fair and reasonable compensation rate in current market conditions.

The department also received and considered recommendations on rates of compensation from the Utility in Highway Rights-of-Way Task Force pursuant to Section 6(2)(a) of S. B. 150.

R907-65-4. Definitions.

The definitions of terms in R907-64-3 apply to the same terms used in this Rule. This Rule uses the following additional defined terms:

(1) "Land value" means the fair market value of land within the right-of-way of the interstate system as determined by the department under the core assumptions set forth in R907-65-3 and established for compensation purposes under R907-65-6.

(2) "Rate of return" means the annual rate of return on investment, using land value, as determined by the department and established for compensation purposes under R907-65-7.

(3) "Zone" means a group of right-of-way segments of the interstate system as determined by the department and established for compensation purposes under R907-65-5.

R907-65-5. Compensation Zones.

(1) Five zones of the State are established for purposes of determining land values and compensation rates for longitudinal access to the right-of-way of the interstate system.

(2) The five zones are:

Zone 1 - Segments traversing primarily rural, agricultural areas with low population density. The two primary segments in this zone are located south of Provo, extending to Arizona along I-15 and to Colorado along I-70. This zone also includes shorter segments of I-80 and I-84 bounded by the Wyoming and Nevada State lines respectively. Approximately 90% of this zone borders agricultural land.

Zone 2 - Segments traversing primarily sub-rural areas with low population density. Segments in this zone are located in the north-central, north-eastern and north-western regions of the State. Land usage is primarily agricultural (approximately 75%), with light pockets of industrial, commercial, and residential land usage.

Zone 3 - Segments traversing sub-rural/suburban land around the State's metropolitan areas with medium population density. Segments in this zone are located outside the Salt Lake City metropolitan area. Land usage is mixed; while agriculture still makes up the largest proportion of land usage, about one-third of the land is residential, and slightly less than one-third is commercial and industrial.

Zone 4 - Segments traversing suburban/urban areas with medium/high population density. Segments in this zone run on a north-south route on I-15 through the Salt Lake City metropolitan area. Land usage in this zone is mixed, with the greatest proportion categorized as industrial, followed by residential, then commercial, and small pockets of agricultural usage.

Zone 5 - Segments traversing the densely populated urban areas. Segments in this zone are located in and around Salt Lake City. Nearly half is categorized as residential, and the rest is split between industrial and commercial usage, with very small pockets of agricultural usage.

(3) The existing right-of-way of the interstate system is placed into the five zones as set forth in Table 1. Whenever new right-of-way is added to the interstate system, the department shall modify Table 1 to classify the new right-of-

way into the applicable zone or zones and publish the modified Table 1.

(4) At least once every five years the department shall conduct an analysis to determine changes, if any, in the boundaries of zones based on demographic and market data, including but not limited to data on similarity of surrounding land uses, population density, distances and number of telecommunications subscribers. The department shall publish a modification to Table 1 whenever zone boundaries are changed.

TABLE 1
Compensation Zones

Zone/Segment	Reference Post (from -- to)	Mileage
Zone 1		575
I-15: Payson South Int. to Arizona	252 -- 0	252
I-84: Tremonton to Idaho	43 -- 0	43
I-80: Wyoming to Silver Creek Int.	198 -- 148	50
I-70: Entire Route	0 -- 230	230
Zone 2		212
I-15: Idaho to Weber-Box Elder Co. Line	404 -- 354	50
I-15: Springville Int. to Payson South Int.	263 -- 252	11
I-84: Echo to SR-89	120 -- 88	32
I-84: SR-89 to I-15	88 -- 81	7
I-80: Magna Int. to Nevada	112 -- 0	112
Zone 3		50
I-15: Weber-Box Elder Co. Line to Parish Lane Int.	354 -- 323	31
I-80: Silver Creek Int. to Mouth of Parley's Canyon	148 -- 129	19
Zone 4		60
I-15: Parish Lane Int. to Salt Lake-Utah Co. Line	323 -- 288	35
I-15: Salt Lake-Utah Co. Line to Springville Int.	288 -- 263	25
Zone 5		47
I-80: Mouth of Parley's Canyon to Magna Int.	129 -- 112	17
I-215: Entire Route	0 -- 30	30

R907-65-6. Land Values.

(1) Land values for longitudinal access for telecommunications facilities are established, by zone, as set forth in Table 2. Whenever new right-of-way is added to the interstate system and a zone or zones are established for such new right-of-way under R907-65-5(3), the land value for such zone or zones set forth in Table 2 shall apply to such new right-of-way.

(2) At least once every five years, the department shall conduct a market analysis to determine the fair and reasonable values of the right-of-way of the interstate system for longitudinal access for telecommunications facilities. The department shall determine this value for each zone. The department shall publish a modification to Table 2 whenever the department completes a market analysis and determines that values of the right-of-way have changed.

(3) In determining land values, the department shall disregard any circumstance in which the department's interstate right-of-way is the only viable alternative for installing and operating telecommunications facilities between relevant geographic markets. The department shall adjust such values to those which would exist if another viable alternative existed for installing and operating comparable telecommunications facilities such that the department would not possess monopolistic market power in the subject location.

TABLE 2

Land Values ($/mile)

Zone	Miles in Zone	Weighted Average Land Value
Zone 1	575	$8,000
Zone 2	212	$22,000
Zone 3	50	$48,000
Zone 4	60	$80,000
Zone 5	47	$124,000

R907-65-7. Rate of Return.

(1) An annual rate of return on land value of 10% is established for purposes of determining annual compensation rates for longitudinal access to the right-of-way of the interstate system.

(2) At least once every five years the department shall conduct an analysis to determine changes, if any, in the rate of return based on market data. The department shall publish a modification to the rate of return whenever the department completes a market analysis and determines that market rate of return has changed.

R907-65-8. Base Compensation Schedule.

(1) The department shall charge compensation for longitudinal access for telecommunications facilities so that the department receives, on an annual basis, the rate of return on the value of land in each zone established under this Rule which is utilized for overhead, surface or underground installations of telecommunications facilities, subject to adjustment under R907-65-10 and potential discount under R907-65-11.

(2) The compensation charged shall be set forth in the agreement between the department and the telecommunications facility provider pursuant to R907-64.

(3) The annual compensation to be paid by each telecommunications facility provider which enters into an agreement with the department for longitudinal access shall be determined under the following formulas:

Land values by zone are translated into annual compensation rates ($/mile) using the following formula:

Annual compensation rate per zone ($/mile) = zonal land value ($/mile)(from Table 2) x rate of return (currently 10%)

Total annual compensation shall then be calculated as follows:

Total annual compensation per zone = annual compensation rate per zone ($/mile) x # of miles accessed.

For telecommunications facility providers seeking a route that accesses multiple zones, the above calculations shall be made for each zone then summed to calculate total annual compensation for the requested access route.

R907-65-9. Compensation for Use of Department Conduit.

(1) The land values set forth in Table 2 (and therefore the annual base compensation amounts) do not include the value of any spare conduit which the department owns. The department is authorized to offer use of and access to its spare conduit to telecommunications facility providers, provided the department determines the spare conduit is not and will not be needed for highway purposes and the department receives additional compensation for the use of and access to the spare conduit.

(2) Such additional compensation shall be fair and reasonable to the department and the telecommunications facility provider and shall be charged in a competitively neutral and nondiscriminatory manner to all similarly situated telecommunications facility providers. The department shall establish the amount of compensation for use of and access to the department's spare conduit by zone.

(3) Such additional compensation shall be subject to adjustment annually in the same manner as provided in R907-65-10.

(4) At least once every five years the department shall conduct an analysis to determine changes, if any, in the value of its spare conduit. Whenever the department completes a market analysis and determines that value of its spare conduit has

changed, the department shall apply its new values to each agreement thereafter executed by the department.

R907-65-10. Adjustments to Base Compensation Schedule for Annual Payments.

(1) The base compensation schedule for each calendar year after a year in which the department determines land values under R907-65-6 shall be adjusted effective January 1 of each such calendar year (each an "adjustment date"). The adjustment shall be calculated by multiplying the base compensation amount for the immediately preceding calendar year by a fraction. The numerator of the fraction shall be the "All Items, Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) for the West (1982-84=100)," reported by the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor and Statistics (BLS), published for the month of September immediately preceding the adjustment date in question. The denominator of the fraction shall be such index published for the next preceding month of September. The adjustment may result in an increase or decrease in the base compensation schedule.

(2) If the methodology for determining the index is changed by the issuer of the index, the department shall convert the index in accordance with the conversion factor published by the issuer of the index. If the index is discontinued or changed so that it is not practical to obtain a continuous measurement of price changes, the department shall replace the index with a comparable governmental index and apply the index chosen to all agreements which require annual adjustment to the base compensation.

(3) Except as provided in R907-65-11, each agreement for longitudinal access to the right-of-way of the interstate system with telecommunications facilities providers shall require that the rates of compensation during the first calendar year of the term of the agreement equal the base compensation schedule determined for that calendar year under this Rule (prorated if the term begins after January 1), taking into account any adjustments under R907-65-10(1).

(4) Except as provided in R907-65-11, each agreement for longitudinal access to the right-of-way of the interstate system with telecommunications facilities providers shall require an adjustment in the annual base compensation effective January 1 of each subsequent calendar year of the term (prorated for the last year of the term if it ends before December 31). The adjustment shall be calculated by multiplying the base compensation amount for the immediately preceding calendar year (annualized for partial calendar years during the term) by the fraction described in R907-65-10(1).

(5) It is the intent of this Rule that revisions to the base compensation schedule resulting from re-analysis of market conditions by the department pursuant to R907-65-5(4), R907-65-6(3), R907-65-7(2) and R907-65-9(4) shall apply only to agreements executed after the department completes and issues its revisions, and shall not apply to agreements executed prior to the revision. It also is the intent of this Rule that annual adjustments to the base compensation schedule due to inflation or deflation pursuant to R907-65-10(1) shall apply to every agreement under which annual compensation payments are required.

R907-65-11. Compensation Prior to Construction of Telecommunications Facilities.

(1) The department may charge compensation for the period of time between execution of the agreement and completion of construction at rates which are discounted from the full annual compensation rates determined under R907-65-8, R907-65-9 and R907-65-10 including no compensation prior to commencement of construction. The department also may agree to the phasing of projects into clearly identified phases, with the compensation schedule structured based on the construction commencement and/or completion dates for each phase.

(2) If the department elects to discount compensation rates, it shall do so in a competitively neutral and nondiscriminatory manner for all similarly situated telecommunication facility providers.

R907-65-12. Lump Sum Monetary Compensation.

(1) The department is authorized to enter into agreements for longitudinal access to the right-of-way of the interstate system with telecommunications facility providers which offer, in lieu of annual compensation, one or more lump sum payments of monetary compensation. The agreement shall set forth the lump sum payment or payments due.

(2) Lump sum payments shall be calculated to be equivalent, on a present value basis, to annual compensation payments which would be required under R907-65-8, R907-65-9, R-907-65-10 and R907-65-11 over the same time period as that covered by each lump sum payment.

(3) For purposes of determining lump sum monetary compensation for longitudinal access to the right-of-way of the interstate system, the department shall use a discount rate equal to the yield (in percent per annum) on Moody's seasoned Aaa Corporate Bonds, as reported by the Federal Reserve Board through the Federal Reserve Statistical Release. The yield on Moody's Aaa Corporate Bonds reported for the first full month immediately prior to the date an agreement for lump sum monetary compensation is executed by the department shall be the discount rate applied for purposes of determining the amount of such lump sum monetary compensation.

(4) Each telecommunications facility provider which is to pay monetary compensation shall have the right to choose whether to pay it in one lump sum determined according to this Rule R907-65-12 or to pay it in annual installments. Unless the department otherwise agrees in writing, this choice shall be made before the agreement is signed, and the agreement shall set forth the choice made.

R907-65-13. In-Kind Compensation.

(1) The department is authorized to enter into agreements for longitudinal access to the right-of-way of the interstate system with telecommunications facility providers which offer, in lieu of or in addition to monetary compensation, in-kind compensation. In-kind compensation may include, without limitation, delivery to the department for its own uses and purposes of conduit, innerduct, dark fiber, access points, telecommunications equipment, telecommunications services, bandwidth and other telecommunications facilities. The agreement shall set forth the in-kind compensation.

(2) The department shall determine the present value of the in-kind compensation according to the methods set forth in R907-65-12. The department shall prepare an analysis setting forth its valuation at or before the time it executes the agreement. The valuation analysis need not be included in the agreement.

(3) The department shall value the in-kind compensation as follows:

(a) Facilities for Department Use Only. Electronic equipment, conduit, fiber and other telecommunications hardware and software contributed to the department shall be valued on a present value basis at the estimated, reasonable cost to the telecommunications facility provider of procuring and installing the same.

(b) Joint Trenching. The present value of the estimated, reasonable cost to the telecommunications facility provider of joint trenching for placing conduit, fiber and other facilities of both the provider (and its customers) and the department shall be proportionately allocated to the department as a component of the present value of the in-kind compensation. The proportion allocated to the department shall equal the total

estimated, reasonable cost of the trenching work multiplied by a fraction. The numerator of the fraction shall equal the amount of conduit and innerduct space to be contributed to the department under the agreement. The denominator of the fraction shall equal the total amount of conduit space the telecommunications facility provider is authorized to install under the agreement. Single duct conduit space shall be measured using the planned diameter of the conduit. Multi-duct conduit space shall be measured by summing the planned diameters of each innerduct in the conduit.

(c) Other Jointly Used Facilities. The present value of the estimated, reasonable cost to the telecommunications facility provider of providing any other telecommunications facility which is shared jointly by the provider and the department shall be proportionately allocated to the department as a component of the present value of the in-kind compensation. The department shall determine the proportion to be allocated to the department based on the percentage of use or benefit to which each party will be entitled under the agreement.

(d) Warranties; Maintenance and Operating Covenants. The department shall determine the present value of equipment warranties, warranties of conduit, fiber or other components, software warranties, maintenance covenants and operating covenants based on the reasonable, estimated cost of purchasing such warranties, maintenance and operating contracts from manufacturers or other third parties (if not already included in the cost to purchase the equipment, conduit, fiber, other components or software).

(e) Summation of In-Kind Values. The total present value of the in-kind compensation shall be the sum of the present values determined under subsections (a) through (d) above.

(4) The department shall require annual or lump sum monetary compensation (determined according to the methods set forth in R907-65-12), in addition to the in-kind compensation, if the present value of the in-kind compensation is less than the present value of the annual monetary compensation the department would require over the term of the agreement under R907-65-8, R907-65-9, R907-65-10 and R907-65-11. The amount of the annual or lump sum monetary compensation shall be the difference in such present values.

(5) The department may accept in-kind compensation with a present value in excess of the present value of annual monetary compensation payments which would be required under R907-65-8, R907-65-9, R907-65-10 and R907-65-11 if the telecommunications facility provider consents in writing and gives a written waiver and release of all claims and protections arising under federal or Utah law by reason of such excess value. The waiver and release shall be in form approved by the director.

(6) Before entering into an in-kind compensation agreement, the department shall obtain from the telecommunications facility provider its valuations of the in-kind compensation. The telecommunications facility provider may provide the department information on its costs in order to assist the department in determining in-kind compensation value. The department shall reasonably consider such valuation and cost information in making its determination, but is not bound by the valuation or cost information submitted.

R907-65-14. Multiple Providers in Same Trench.

(1) If the department enters into an agreement with two or more telecommunications facility providers, or with a consortium or other entity whose members, partners, venturers or other participants are two or more telecommunications facility providers, or if the department requires two or more telecommunications facility providers to share a single trench, then the agreement(s) shall require that the telecommunications facility providers share the burden of the compensation owing to the department under the agreement(s) on a fair, reasonable and equitable basis, taking into consideration the proportionate uses and benefits to be derived by each telecommunications facility provider from the trench, conduits and other telecommunications facilities to be installed under the agreement(s).

(2) The foregoing does not limit the right of the department to require all the participating telecommunications facility providers to bear joint and several liability for the obligations owing to the department under the agreement(s).

(3) Any agreement which requires sharing of the burden of compensation owing to the department shall provide the department the right to review and audit the books, records and contracts of or among the participating telecommunications facility providers to determine compliance or lack of compliance with R907-65-14(1).

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R907. Transportation, Administration.
R907-67. Debarment of Contractors from Work on Department Projects -- Reasons.
R907-67-1. Debarment of Contractors from Work on Department Projects -- Reasons.

The department may debar a contractor, which, for purposes of this rule includes Consultants and owners, directors, managers, officers or fiscal agents of the Contractor or Consultant), from performing any work on projects that it administers if, by substantial evidence, it concludes that one of the following factors is present. Debarment prevents the contractor from performing work on any department projects, either as a prime contractor or subcontractor.

(1) The Contractor has been convicted of or entered a plea of guilty or nolo contendere to a crime that is related to a bid or contract-related crime in any court in the United States;

(2) The Contractor has publicly admitted to conduct constituting a crime that is related to a bid or contract;

(3) The Contractor has falsified information or submitted deceptive or fraudulent statements in connection with prequalification, bidding, or performance of a contract;

(4) The Contractor has violated federal or state antitrust laws;

(5) The Contractor has demonstrated willful wrongdoing that reflects a lack of integrity in bidding or performing a public project;

(6) The Contractor, including a joint venture, stockholder of more than five (5) percent of the available stock, or any immediate relatives of the aforementioned has been debarred or suspended or is affiliated with any debarred or suspended person in any state or by the federal government;

(7) The deputy director or designee concludes that the Contractor has acted in collusion with others to perform work on a project that supposedly satisfied disadvantaged business enterprise (DBE) goals or requirements through other than bona fide disadvantaged business enterprises in any combination of individuals, firms, or corporations;

(8) The Contractor has defaulted under previous contracts;

(9) The Contractor has performed previous or current work in an unsatisfactory manner, as determined solely by the Project Manager. Among the items that can be the subject of unsatisfactory performance are the following, though there may be others that are similar in importance and require a determination of unsatisfactory performance:

(a) noncompliance with the contract;

(b) failure to complete work on time;

(c) instances of substantial corrective work being needed before acceptance of the work;

(d) instances of completed work that requires acceptance at reduced pay;

(e) production of non-specification work or materials, and when applicable, required price reductions or corrective work;

(f) failure to provide adequate safety measures and appropriate traffic control that endangered the safety of the work force or the public.

(10) The Contractor has questionable moral integrity as determined by the department, the United States Attorney General, the Utah Attorney General, or any other state;

(11) Failure to reimburse the state for monies owned on any previously awarded contract including those where the prospective bidder is a party to a joint venture and the joint venture has failed to reimburse the state for monies owed.

(12) The deputy director or designee reasonably believes and finds that the public health, welfare, or safety require suspension.

R907-67-2. Procedures for Debarment.

If the Engineer for Construction believes a Contractor should be debarred, he or she will follow the procedures listed in R907-1-2, Commencement by Department - Notice of Agency Action - Procedures. The proceeding shall be handled as an informal administrative proceeding unless the deputy director's designee grants a request for conversion to a formal proceeding. The Notice of Agency Action shall also set forth the amount of time being sought as a debarment period.

R907-67-3. Status Pending Debarment.

(1) If the contract between the department and the Contractor allows for the period of debarment to begin immediately upon service of the Notice of Agency Action or within 15 days of service, debarment begins on the date provided for by the contract. If the contract is silent, debarment begins thirty (30) days after service of the Notice of Agency Action unless the deputy director or designee believes emergency action is necessary, in which case debarment begins upon service. If the Contractor files a Request for Review pursuant to Utah Admin. Code R907-1, debarment is stayed pending completion of the appeal.

R907-67-4. Suspension from Consideration for Award of Contracts - Indictments.

(1) If the deputy director believes there is probable cause that a Contractor has engaged in activity that would, if true, lead to debarment under Utah Admin. Code R907-67-1, he or she may suspend the Contractor from consideration for award of contracts. A contractor who is suspended may not bid on any department contracts. Suspension may last for no more than three (3) months unless an indictment has been issued, or information filed, alleging that the Contractor has engaged in criminal activity that would, if true, lead to debarment under Utah Admin. Code R907-67-1. If an indictment has been issued or information filed, suspension shall last until completion of the Contractor's trial or the dismissal of charges.

(2) A conviction or plea of guilt to any offense related to an activity listed in Utah Admin. Code R907-67-1 is sufficient to support debarment without any additional evidence being offered. However, neither an acquittal nor dismissal of charges entitles the Contractor to a dismissal of the debarment notice.

R907-67-5. Length of Debarment.

(1) A person found to have committed an act listed in R907-67-1 shall be debarred for a term of not less than six months nor more than three years.

(2) To determine the specific period of time, the department will evaluate the following:

(a) degree of culpability;

(b) restitution to the state;

(c) cooperation in the investigation of bidding or contract-related crimes;

(d) disassociation with those involved in the crimes and active cooperation in prosecuting others who are involved in the crimes.

(3) Neither suspension nor debarment absolve the Contractor of his or her responsibility to perform existing contracts, even if the Contractor needs to find other companies, firms, or individuals who can perform in his or her place.

(4) The department also retains the right to declare a suspended or debarred Contractor in default on any existing contract if allowed by the contract.

(5) If a basis for debarment is an alleged criminal occurrence or conviction and the Contractor has, as part of a sentence or plea agreement, agreed not to bid on public works for more than three years, then the department may extend the debarment to fit the terms of the sentence or plea agreement.

R907-67-6. Right to Appeal.

The Contractor may appeal the debarment under the provisions of Utah Admin. Code R907-1. The deputy director

or designee may name a board of engineers experienced in the type of work for which the Contractor is being debarred to hear the appeal.

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R986. Workforce Services, Employment Development.
R986-200. Family Employment Program.
R986-200-201. Authority for Family Employment Program (FEP) and Family Employment Program Two Parent (FEPTP) and Other Applicable Rules.

(1) The Department provides services to eligible families under FEP and FEPTP under the authority granted in the Employment Support Act, UCA 35A-3-301 et seq. Funding is provided by the federal government through Temporary Aid to Needy Families (TANF) as authorized by PRWORA.

(2) Rule R986-100 applies to FEP and FEPTP unless expressly noted otherwise.

R986-200-202. Family Employment Program (FEP).

(1) The goal of FEP is to increase family income through employment, and where appropriate, child support and/or disability payments.

(2) FEP is for families with no more than one able bodied parent in the household. If the family has two able bodied parents in the household, the family is not eligible for FEP but may be eligible for FEPTP. Able bodied means capable of earning at least $500 per month in the Utah labor market.

(3) If a household has at least one incapacitated parent, the parent claiming incapacity must verify that incapacity in one of the following ways:

(a) receipt of disability benefits from SSA;

(b) 100% disabled by VA; or

(c) by submitting a written statement from:

(i) a licensed medical doctor;

(ii) a doctor of osteopathy;

(iii) a licensed Mental Health Therapist as defined in UCA 58-60-102;

(iv) a licensed Advanced Practice Registered Nurse; or

(v) a licensed Physician's Assistant.

(d) the written statement in paragraph (c) of this subsection must be based on a current physical examination of the parent, not just a review of parent's medical records.

(4) Incapacity means not capable of earning $500 per month. The incapacity must be expected to last 30 days or longer.

(5) An applicant or parent must cooperate in the obtaining of a second opinion regarding incapacity if requested by the Department. Only the costs associated with a second opinion requested by the Department will be paid for by the Department. The Department will not pay the costs associated with obtaining a second opinion if the parent requests the second opinion.

(6) An incapacitated parent is included in the FEP household assistance unit and the parent's income and assets are counted toward establishing eligibility unless the parent is a SSI recipient. If the parent is a SSI recipient, that parent is not included in the household and none of the income or assets of the SSI recipient is counted.

(7) An incapacitated parent who is included in the household must still negotiate, sign and agree to participate in an employment plan. If the incapacity is such that employment is not feasible now or in the future, participation may be limited to cooperating with ORS and filing for any assistance or benefits to which the parent may be entitled. If it is believed the incapacity might not be permanent, the parent will also be required to seek assistance in overcoming the incapacity.

R986-200-203. Citizenship and Alienage Requirements.

(1) All persons in the household assistance unit who are included in the financial assistance payment, including children, must be a citizen of the United States or meet alienage criteria.

(2) An alien is not eligible for financial assistance unless the alien meets the definition of qualified alien. A qualified alien is an alien:

(a) who is paroled into the United States under section 212(d)(5) of the INA for at least one year;

(b) who is admitted as a refugee under section 207 of the INA;

(c) who is granted asylum under section 208 of the INA;

(d) who is a Cuban or Haitian entrant in accordance with the requirements of 45 CFR Part 401;

(e) who is an Amerasian from Vietnam and was admitted to the United States as an immigrant pursuant to Public Law 100-202 and Public Law 100-461;

(f) whose deportation is being withheld under sections 243(h) or 241(b)(3) of the INA;

(g) who is lawfully admitted for permanent residence under the INA,

(h) who is granted conditional entry pursuant to section 203(a)(7) of the INA;

(i) who meets the definition of certain battered aliens under Section 8 U.S.C. 1641(c); or

(j) who is a certified victim of trafficking.

(3) All aliens granted lawful temporary or permanent resident status under Sections 210, 302, or 303 of the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986, are disqualified from receiving financial assistance for a period of five years from the date lawful temporary resident status is granted.

(4) Aliens are required to provide proof, in the form of documentation issued by the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS), of immigration status. Victims of trafficking can provide proof from the Office of Refugee Resettlement.

R986-200-204. Eligibility Requirements.

(1) To be eligible for financial assistance under the FEP or FEPTP a household assistance unit must include:

(a) a pregnant woman when it has been medically verified that she is in the third calendar month prior to the expected month of delivery, or later, and who, if the child were born and living with her in the month of payment, would be eligible. The unborn child is not included in the financial assistance payment; or

(b) at least one minor dependent child who is a citizen or meets the alienage criteria. All minor children age 6 to 16 must attend school, or be exempt under 53A-11-102, to be included in the household assistance unit for a financial assistance payment for that child.

(i) A minor child is defined as being under the age of 18 years and not emancipated by marriage or by court order; or

(ii) an unemancipated child, at least 18 years old but under 19 years old, with no high school diploma or its equivalent, who is a full-time student in a secondary school, or in the equivalent level of vocational or technical training, and the school has verified a reasonable expectation the 18 year old will complete the program before reaching age 19.

(2) Households must meet other eligibility requirements of income, assets, and participation in addition to the eligibility requirements found in R986-100.

(3) Persons who are fleeing to avoid prosecution of a felony are ineligible for financial assistance.

(4) All clients who are required to complete a negotiated employment plan as provided in R986-200-206 must attend a FEP orientation meeting and sign a FEP Agreement within 30 days of submitting his or her application for assistance. Attendance at the orientation meeting can only be excused for reasonable cause as defined in R986-200-212(8). The application for assistance will not be complete until the client has attended the meeting.

R986-200-205. How to Determine Who Is Included in the Household Assistance Unit.

The amount of financial assistance for an eligible household is based on the size of the household assistance unit

and the income and assets of all people in the household assistance unit.

(1) The income and assets of the following individuals living in the same household must be counted in determining eligibility of the household assistance unit:

(a) all natural parents, adoptive parents and stepparents, unless expressly excluded in this section, who are related to and residing in the same household as an eligible dependent child. Natural parentage is determined as follows:

(i) A woman is the natural parent if her name appears on the birth record of the child.

(ii) For a man to be determined to be the natural parent, that relationship must be established or acknowledged or his name must appear on the birth record. If the parents have a solemnized marriage at the time of birth, relationship is established and can only be rebutted by a DNA test;

(b) household members who would otherwise be included but who are absent solely by reason of employment, school or training, or who will return home to live within 30 days;

(c) all minor siblings, half-siblings, and adopted siblings living in the same household as an eligible dependent child; and

(d) all spouses living in the household.

(2) The following individuals in the household are not counted in determining the household size for determining payment amount nor are the assets or income of the individuals counted in determining household eligibility:

(a) a recipient of SSI benefits. If the SSI recipient is the parent and is receiving FEP assistance for the child(ren) residing in the household, the SSI parent must cooperate with establishing paternity and child support enforcement for the household to be eligible. If the only dependent child is a SSI recipient, the parent or specified relative may receive a FEP assistance payment which does not include that child, provided the parent or specified relative is not on SSI and can meet all other requirements;

(b) a child during any month in which a foster care maintenance payment is being provided to meet the child's needs. If the only dependent child in the household is receiving a foster care maintenance payment, the parent or specified relative may still receive a FEP assistance payment which does not include the child, provided all other eligibility, income and asset requirements are met;

(c) an absent household member who is expected to be gone from the household for 180 days or more unless the absence is due to employment, school or training. If the absence is due to employment, school or training the household member must be included.

(3) The household assistance unit can choose whether to include or exclude the following individuals living in the household. If included, all income and assets of that person are counted:

(a) all absent household members who are expected to be temporarily absent from the home for more than 30 but not more than 180 consecutive days unless the absence is due to employment, school or training. If the absence is due to employment, school or training the household member must be included;

(b) Native American children, or deaf or blind children, who are temporarily absent while in boarding school, even if the temporary absence is expected to last more than 180 days;

(c) an adopted child who receives a federal, state or local government special needs adoption payment. If the adopted child receiving this type of payment is the only dependent child in the household and excluded, the parent(s) or specified relative may still receive a FEP or FEPTP assistance payment which does not include the child, provided all other eligibility requirements are met. If the household chooses to include the adopted child in the household assistance unit under this paragraph, the special needs adoption payment is counted as income;

(d) former stepchildren who have no blood relationship to a dependent child in the household;

(e) a specified relative. If a household requests that a specified relative be included in the household assistance unit, only one specified relative can be included in the financial assistance payment regardless of how many specified relatives are living in the household. The income and assets of all household members are counted according to the provisions of R986-200-241.

(4) In situations where there are children in the home for which there is court order regarding custody of the children, the Department will determine if the children should be included in the household assistance unit based on the actual living arrangements of the children and not on the custody order. If the child lives in the home 50% or more of the time, the child must be included in the household assistance unit and duty of support completed. It is not an option to exclude the child. This is true even if the court awarded custody to the other parent or the court ordered joint custody. If the child lives in the household less than 50% of the time, the child cannot be included in the household. It is not an option to include the child. This is true even if the parent applying for financial assistance has been awarded custody by the court or the court ordered joint custody. If financial assistance is allowed, a joint custody order might be modified by the court under the provisions of 30-3-10.2(4) and 30-3-10.4.

(5) The income and assets of the following individuals are counted in determining eligibility even though the individual is not included in the assistance payment:

(a) a household member who has been disqualified from the receipt of assistance because of an IPV, (fraud determination);

(b) a household member who does not meet the citizenship and alienage requirements; or

(c) a minor child who is not in school full time or participating in self sufficiency activities.

R986-200-206. Participation Requirements.

(1) Payment of any and all financial assistance is contingent upon all parents in the household, including adoptive and stepparents, participating, to the maximum extent possible, in:

(a) assessment and evaluation;

(b) the completion of a negotiated employment plan; and

(c) assisting ORS in good faith to:

(i) establish the paternity of all minor children; and

(ii) establish and enforce child support obligations.

(d) obtaining any and all other sources of income. If any household member is or appears to be eligible for unemployment, SSA, Workers Compensation, VA, or any other benefits or forms of assistance, the Department will refer the individual to the appropriate agency and the individual must apply for and pursue obtaining those benefits. If an individual refuses to apply for and pursue these benefits or assistance, the individual is ineligible for financial assistance. Pursuing these benefits includes cooperating fully and providing all the necessary documentation to insure receipt of benefits. If the individual is already receiving assistance from the Department and it is found he or she is not cooperating fully to obtain benefits from another source, the individual will be considered to not be participating in his or her employment plan. If the individual is otherwise eligible for FEP or FEPTP, financial assistance will be provided until eligibility for other benefits or assistance has been determined. If an individual's application for SSA benefits is denied, the individual must fully cooperate in prosecuting an appeal of that SSA denial at least to the Social Security ALJ level.

(2) Parents who have been determined to be ineligible to

be included in the financial assistance payment are still required to participate.

(3) Children at least 16 years old but under 18 years old, unless they are in school full-time or in school part-time and working less than 100 hours per month are required to participate.

R986-200-207. Participation in Child Support Enforcement.

(1) Receipt of child support is an important element in increasing a family's income.

(2) Every natural, legal or adoptive parent has a duty to support his or her children and stepchildren even if the children do not live in the parental home.

(3) A parent's duty to support continues until the child:

(a) reaches age 18;

(b) is 18 years old and enrolled in high school during the normal and expected year of graduation;

(c) is emancipated by marriage or court order;

(d) is a member of the armed forces of the United States; or

(e) is self supporting.

(4) A client receiving financial assistance automatically assigns to the state any and all rights to child support for all children who are included in the household assistance unit while receiving financial assistance. The assignment of rights occurs even if the client claims or establishes "good cause or other exception" for refusal to cooperate. The assignment of rights to support, cooperation in establishing paternity, and establishing and enforcing child support is a condition of eligibility for the receipt of financial assistance.

(5) For each child included in the financial assistance payment, the client must also assign any and all rights to alimony or spousal support from the noncustodial parent while the client receives public assistance.

(6) The client must cooperate with the Department and ORS in establishing and enforcing the spousal and child support obligation from any and all natural, legal, or adoptive non-custodial parents.

(7) If a parent is absent from the home, the client must identify and help locate the non-custodial parent.

(8) If a child is conceived or born during a marriage, the husband is considered the legal father, even if the wife states he is not the natural father.

(9) If the child is born out of wedlock, the client must also cooperate in the establishment of paternity.

(10) ORS is solely responsible for determining if the client is cooperating in identifying the noncustodial parent and with child support establishment and enforcement efforts for the purposes of receipt of financial assistance. The Department cannot review, modify, or reject a decision made by ORS.

(11) Unless good cause is shown, financial assistance will terminate if a parent or specified relative does not cooperate with ORS in establishing paternity or enforcing child support obligations.

(12) Upon notification from ORS that the client is not cooperating, the Department will commence reconciliation procedures as outlined in R986-200-212. If the client continues to refuse to cooperate with ORS at the end of the reconciliation process, financial assistance will be terminated.

(13) Termination of financial assistance for non cooperation is immediate, without a reduction period outlined in R986-200-212, if:

(a) the client is a specified relative who is not included in the household assistance unit;

(b) the client is a parent receiving SSI benefits; or

(c) the client is participating in FEPTP.

(14) Once the financial assistance has been terminated due to the client's failure to cooperate with child support enforcement, the client must then reapply for financial assistance. This time, the client must cooperate with child support collection prior to receiving any financial assistance.

(15) A specified relative, illegal alien, SSI recipient, or disqualified parent in a household receiving FEP assistance must assign rights to support of any kind and cooperate with all establishment and enforcement efforts even if the parent or relative is not included in the financial assistance payment.

R986-200-208. Good Cause for Not Cooperating With ORS.

(1) The Department is responsible for determining if the client has good cause or other exception for not cooperating with ORS.

(2) To establish good cause for not cooperating, the client must file a written request for a good cause determination and provide proof of good cause within 20 days of the request.

(3) A client has the right to request a good cause determination at any time, even if ORS or court proceedings have begun.

(4) Good cause for not cooperating with ORS can be shown if one of following circumstances exists:

(a) The child, for whom support is sought, was conceived as a result of incest or rape. To prove good cause under this paragraph, the client must provide:

(i) birth certificates;

(ii) medical records;

(iii) Department records;

(iv) records from another state or federal agency;

(v) court records; or

(vi) law enforcement records.

(b) Legal proceedings for the adoption of the child are pending before a court. Proof is established if the client provides copies of documents filed in a court of competent jurisdiction.

(c) A public or licensed private social agency is helping the client resolve the issue of whether to keep or relinquish the child for adoption and the discussions between the agency and client have not gone on for more than three months. The client is required to provide written notice from the agency concerned.

(d) The client's cooperation in establishing paternity or securing support is reasonably expected to result in physical or emotional harm to the child or to the parent or specified relative. If harm to the parent or specified relative is claimed, it must be significant enough to reduce that individual's capacity to adequately care for the child.

(i) Physical or emotional harm is considered to exist when it results in, or is likely to result in, an impairment that has a substantial effect on the individual's ability to perform daily life activities.

(ii) The source of physical or emotional harm may be from individuals other than the noncustodial parent.

(iii) The client must provide proof that the individual is likely to inflict such harm or has done so in the past. Proof must be from an independent source such as:

(A) medical records or written statements from a mental health professional evidencing a history of abuse or current health concern. The record or statement must contain a diagnosis and prognosis where appropriate;

(B) court records;

(C) records from the Department or other state or federal agency; or

(D) law enforcement records.

(5) If a claim of good cause is denied because the client is unable to provide proof as required under Subsection (4) (a) or (d) the client can request a hearing and present other evidence of good cause at the hearing. If the ALJ finds that evidence credible and convincing, the ALJ can make a finding of good cause under Subsections (4) (a) or (d) based on the evidence presented by the client at the hearing. A finding of good cause by the ALJ can be based solely on the sworn testimony of the

client.

(6) When the claim of good cause for not cooperating is based in whole or in part on anticipated physical or emotional harm, the Department must consider:

(a) the client's present emotional health and history;

(b) the intensity and probable duration of the resulting impairment;

(c) the degree of cooperation required; and

(d) the extent of involvement of the child in the action to be taken by ORS.

(7) The Department recognizes no other exceptions, apart from those recognized by ORS, to the requirement that a client cooperate in good faith with ORS in the establishment of paternity and establishment and enforcement of child support.

(8) If the client has exercised his or her right to an agency review or adjudicative proceeding under Utah Administrative Procedures Act on the question of non-cooperation as determined by ORS, the Department will not review, modify, or reverse the decision of ORS on the question of non-cooperation. If the client did not have an opportunity for a review with ORS, the Department will refer the request for review to ORS for determination.

(9) Once a request for a good cause determination has been made, all collection efforts by ORS will be suspended until the Department has made a decision on good cause.

(10) A client has the right to appeal a Department decision on good cause to an ALJ by following the procedures for appeal found in R986-100.

(11) If a parent requests a hearing on the basis of good cause for not cooperating, the resulting decision cannot change or modify the determination made by ORS on the question of good faith.

(12) Even if the client establishes good cause not to cooperate with ORS, if the Department supervisor determines that support enforcement can safely proceed without the client's cooperation, ORS may elect to do so. Before proceeding without the client's cooperation, ORS will give the client advance notice that it intends to commence enforcement proceedings and give the client an opportunity to object. The client must file his or her objections with ORS within 10 days.

(13) A determination that a client has good cause for non-cooperation may be reviewed and reversed by the Department upon a finding of new, or newly discovered evidence, or a change in circumstances.

R986-200-209. Participation in Obtaining an Assessment.

(1) Within 20 business days of the date the application for financial assistance has been completed and approved, the client will be assigned to an employment counselor and must complete an assessment.

(2) The assessment evaluates a client's needs and is used to develop an employment plan.

(3) Completion of the assessment requires that the client provide information about:

(a) family circumstances including health, needs of the children, support systems, and relationships;

(b) personal needs or potential barriers to employment;

(c) education;

(d) work history;

(e) skills;

(f) financial resources and needs; and

(g) any other information relevant to the client's ability to become self-sufficient.

(4) The client may be required to participate in testing or completion of other assessment tools and may be referred to another person within the Department, another agency, or to a company or individual under contract with the Department to complete testing, assessment, and evaluation.

R986-200-210. Requirements of an Employment Plan.

(1) Within 15 business days of completion of the assessment, the following individuals in the household assistance unit are required to sign and make a good faith effort to participate to the maximum extent possible in a negotiated employment plan:

(a) All parents, including parents whose income and assets are included in determining eligibility of the household but have been determined to be ineligible or disqualified from being included in the financial assistance payment.

(b) Dependent minor children who are at least 16 years old, who are not parents, unless they are full-time students or are employed an average of 30 hours a week or more.

(2) The goal of the employment plan is obtaining marketable employment and it must contain the soonest possible target date for entry into employment consistent with the employability of the individual.

(3) An employment plan consists of activities designed to help an individual become employed. For each activity there will be:

(a) an expected outcome;

(b) an anticipated completion date;

(c) the number of participation hours agreed upon per week; and

(d) a definition of what will constitute satisfactory progress for the activity.

(4) Each activity must be directed toward the goal of increasing the household's income.

(5) Activities may require that the client:

(a) obtain immediate employment. If so, the parent client shall:

(i) promptly register for work and commence a search for employment for a specified number of hours each week; and

(ii) regularly submit a report to the Department on:

(A) how much time was spent in job search activities;

(B) the number of job applications completed;

(C) the interviews attended;

(D) the offers of employment extended; and

(E) other related information required by the Department.

(b) participate in an educational program to obtain a high school diploma or its equivalent, if the parent client does not have a high school diploma;

(c) obtain education or training necessary to obtain employment;

(d) obtain medical, mental health, or substance abuse treatment;

(e) resolve transportation and child care needs;

(f) relocate from a rural area which would require a round trip commute in excess of two hours in order to find employment;

(g) resolve any other barriers identified as preventing or limiting the ability of the client to obtain employment, and/or

(h) participate in rehabilitative services as prescribed by the State Office of Rehabilitation.

(6) The client must meet the performance expectations of, and provide verification for, each eligible activity in the employment plan in order to stay eligible for financial assistance. A list of what will be considered acceptable documentation is available at each employment center.

(7) The client must cooperate with the Department's efforts to monitor and evaluate the client's activities and progress under the employment plan, which includes providing the Department with a release of information, if necessary to facilitate the Department's monitoring of compliance.

(8) Where available, supportive services will be provided as needed for each activity.

(9) The client agrees, as part of the employment plan, to cooperate with other agencies, or with individuals or companies under contract with the Department, as outlined in the

employment plan.

(10) An employment plan may, at the discretion of the Department, be amended to reflect new information or changed circumstances.

(11) The number of hours of participation in subsection (3)(c) of this section will not be lower than 30 hours per week. All 30 hours must be in eligible activities. 20 of those 30 hours must be in priority activities. A list of approved priority and eligible activities is available at each employment center. If the client has a child in the household under the age of six, the number of hours of participation in subsection (3)(c) of this section is a minimum of 20 hours per week and all of those 20 hours must be in priority activities.

(12) In the event a client has barriers which prevent the client from 30 hours of participation per week, or 20 hours in priority activities, a lower number of hours of participation can be approved if:

(a) the Department identifies and documents the barriers which prevent the client from full participation; and

(b) the client agrees to participate to the maximum extent possible to resolve the barriers which prevent the client from participating.

R986-200-211. Education and Training As Part of an Employment Plan.

(1) A parent client's participation in education or training beyond that required to obtain a high school diploma or its equivalent is limited to the lesser of:

(a) 24 months which need not be continuous; or

(b) the completion of the education and training requirements of the employment plan.

(2) Post high school education or training will only be approved if all of the following are met:

(a) The client can demonstrate that the education or training would substantially increase the income level that the client would be able to achieve without the education and training, and would offset the loss of income the household incurs while the education or training is being completed.

(b) The client does not already have a degree or skills training certificate in a currently marketable occupation.

(c) An assessment specific to the client's education and training aptitude has been completed showing the client has the ability to be successful in the education or training.

(d) The mental and physical health of the client indicates the education or training could be completed successfully and the client could perform the job once the schooling is completed.

(e) The specific employment goal that requires the education or training is marketable in the area where the client resides or the client has agreed to relocate for the purpose of employment once the education/training is completed.

(f) The client, when determined appropriate, is willing to complete the education/training as quickly as possible, such as attending school full time which may include attending school during the summer.

(g) The client can realistically complete the requirements of the education or training program within the required time frames or time limits of the financial assistance program, including the 36-month lifetime limit for FEP and FEPTP, for which the client is eligible.

(3) A parent client may participate in education or training for up to six months beyond the 24-month limit if:

(a) the parent client is employed for 80 or more hours per month during each month of the extension;

(b) circumstances beyond the control of the client prevented completion within 24 months; and

(c) the Department director or designee determines that extending the 24-month limit is prudent because other employment, education, or training options do not enable the family to meet the objective of the program.

(4) A parent client with a high school diploma or equivalent who has received 24 months of education or training while receiving financial assistance must participate a minimum of 30 hours per week in eligible activities. Twenty of those 30 hours must be in priority activities. A list of approved priority and eligible activities is available at each employment center. If the client has a child in the household under the age of six, the minimum number of hours of participation under this this subsection is 20 hours per week and all of those 20 hours must be in priority activities.

(5) Graduate work can never be approved or supported as part of an employment plan.

R986-200-212. Reconciling Disputes and Termination of Financial Assistance for Failure to Comply.

If a client who is required to participate in an employment plan consistently fails, without reasonable cause, to show good faith in complying with the employment plan, the Department will terminate all or part of the financial assistance. This will apply if the Department is notified that the client has failed to cooperate with ORS as provided in R986-200-207. A termination for the reasons mentioned in this paragraph will occur only after the Department attempts reconciliation through the following process:

(1) The employment counselor will attempt to discuss compliance with the client and explore solutions. If compliance is not resolved the counselor will move to the second phase.

(2) In the second phase, the employment counselor will request a meeting with the client, the employment counselor, the counselor's supervisor and any other Department or allied entity representatives, if appropriate, who might assist in encouraging participation. If the client does not attend the meeting, the meeting will be held in the client's absence. A formal meeting with the client is not required for a third or subsequent occurrence. If a resolution cannot be reached, one of the following will occur:

(a) for the first occurrence, the client's financial assistance payment will be reduced by $100 for one month. The reduction will occur in the month following the month the determination was made. If the client does not participate during the $100 reduction month, financial assistance will be terminated beginning the month following the $100 reduction month.

(b) for the second occurrence, the client's financial assistance payment will be terminated and the client will be ineligible for financial assistance for one month. If the client re-applies during the one month termination period, the new application will be denied for non-participation. If the client re-applies after the one month termination period, the client must successfully complete a two week trial participation period before financial assistance will be approved.

(c) for the third and subsequent occurrences the client's financial assistance will be terminated beginning with the month following the determination by the employment counselor that the client is not participating. The client will be ineligible for financial assistance for two months and if the client re-applies during the two month period, the new application will be denied for non-participation. If the client re-applies after the two month termination period, the client must successfully complete a two week trial participation period before financial assistance will be approved.

(3) A client must demonstrate a genuine willingness to participate during the two week trial period.

(4) The occurrences are life-time occurrences and it does not matter how much time elapses between occurrences. If a client's assistance was reduced as provided in (2)(a) of this section three years ago, for example, the next occurrence will be treated as a second occurrence.

(5) The two week trial period may be waived only if the

client has cured all previous participation issues prior to re-application.

(6) The provisions of this section apply to clients who are eligible for and receiving financial assistance during an extension period as provided in R986-200-218.

(7) A child age 16-18 who is not a parent and who is not participating will be removed from the financial assistance grant on the first and all subsequent occurrences. The financial assistance will continue for other household members provided they are participating. If the child successfully completes a two week trial period, the child will be added back on to the financial assistance grant.

(8) Reasonable cause under this section means the client was prevented from participating through no fault of his or her own or failed to participate for reasons that are reasonable and compelling.

(9) Reasonable cause can also be established, as provided in 45 CFR 261.56, by a client who is a single custodial parent caring for a child under age six who refuses to engage in required work because he or she is unable to obtain needed child care because appropriate and affordable child care arrangements are not available within a reasonable distance from the home or work site.

(10) If a client is also receiving food stamps and the client's is disqualified for non-participation under this section, the client will also be subject to the food stamp sanctions found in 7CFR 273.7(f)(2) unless the client meets an exemption under food stamp regulations.

R986-200-213. Financial Assistance for a Minor Parent.

(1) Financial assistance may be provided to a single minor parent who resides in a place of residence maintained by a parent, legal guardian, or other adult relative of the single minor parent, unless the minor parent is exempt.

(2) The single minor parent may be exempt when:

(a) The minor parent has no living parent or legal guardian whose whereabouts is known;

(b) No living parent or legal guardian of the minor parent allows the minor parent to live in his or her home;

(c) The minor parent lived apart from his or her own parent or legal guardian for a period of at least one year before either the birth of the dependent child or the parent's having made application for FEP and the minor parent was self supporting during this same period of time; or

(d) The physical or emotional health or safety of the minor parent or dependent child would be jeopardized if they resided in the same residence with the minor parent's parent or legal guardian. A referral will be made to DCFS if allegations are made under this paragraph.

(3) Prior to authorizing financial assistance, the Department must approve the living arrangement of all single minor parents exempt under section (2) above. Approval of the living arrangement is not a certification or guarantee of the safety, quality, or condition of the living arrangements of the single minor parent.

(4) All minor parents regardless of the living arrangement must participate in education for parenting and life skills in infant and child wellness programs operated by the Department of Health and, for not less than 20 hours per week:

(a) attend high school or an alternative to high school, if the minor parent does not have a high school diploma;

(b) participate in education and training; and/or

(c) participate in employment.

(5) If a single minor parent resides with a parent, the Department shall include the income of the parent of the single minor parent in determining the single minor parent's eligibility for financial assistance.

(6) If a single minor parent resides with a parent who is receiving financial assistance, the single minor parent is included in the parent's household assistance unit.

(7) If a single minor parent receives financial assistance but does not reside with a parent, the Department shall seek an order requiring that the parent of the single minor parent financially support the single minor parent.

R986-200-214. Assistance for Specified Relatives.

(1) Specified relatives include:

(a) grandparents;

(b) brothers and sisters;

(c) stepbrothers and stepsisters;

(d) aunts and uncles;

(e) first cousins;

(f) first cousins once removed;

(g) nephews and nieces;

(h) people of prior generations as designated by the prefix grand, great, great-great, or great- great-great;

(i) brothers and sisters by legal adoption;

(j) the spouse of any person listed above;

(k) the former spouse of any person listed above;

(l) individuals who can prove they met one of the above mentioned relationships via a blood relationship even though the legal relationship has been terminated; and

(m) former stepparents.

(2) The Department shall require compliance with Section 30-1-4.5

(3) A specified relative may apply for financial assistance for the child. If the child is otherwise eligible, the FEP rules apply with the following exceptions:

(a) The child must have a blood or a legal relationship to the specified relative even if the legal relationship has been terminated,

(b) Both parents must be absent from the home where the child lives. This is true even for a parent who has had his or her parental rights terminated;

(c) The child must be currently living with, and not just visiting, the specified relative;

(d) The parents' obligation to financially support their child will be enforced and the specified relative must cooperate with child support enforcement; and

(e) If the parent(s) state they are willing to support the child if the child would return to live with the parent(s), the child is ineligible unless there is a court order removing the child from the parent(s)' home.

(4) If the specified relative is currently receiving FEP or FEPTP, the child must be included in that household assistance unit.

(5) The income and resources of the specified relative are not counted unless the specified relative requests inclusion in the household assistance unit.

(6) If the specified relative is not currently receiving FEP or FEPTP, and the specified relative does not want to be included in the financial assistance payment, the specified relative shall be paid, on behalf of the child, the full standard financial assistance payment for one person. The size of the financial assistance payment shall be increased accordingly for each additional eligible child in the household assistance unit excluding the dependent child(ren) of the specified relative. Since the specified relative is not included in the household assistance unit, the income and assets of the specified relative, or the relative's spouse, are not counted.

(7) The specified relative may request to be included in the household assistance unit. If the specified relative is included in the household assistance unit, the household must meet all FEP eligibility requirements including participation requirements and asset limits.

(8) Income eligibility for a specified relative who wants to be included in the household assistance unit is calculated according to R986-200-241.

R986-200-215. Family Employment Program Two Parent Household (FEPTP).

(1) FEPTP is for households otherwise eligible for FEP but with two able-bodied parents in the household.

(2) Families may only participate in this program for seven months out of any 13-month period. Months of participation count toward the 36-month time limit in Sections 35A-3-306 and R986-200-217.

(3) Both parents must participate in eligible activities for a combined total of 60 hours per week, as defined in the employment plan. At least 50 of those hours must be in priority activities. A list of approved priority and eligible activities is available at each employment center. Parents in a FEPTP household who are refugees are not restricted to those activities on the approved priority or eligible activities list for the first three months of FEPTP eligibility but the parents are still required to participate for a combined total of 60 hours per week.

(4) Both parents are required to participate every week as defined in the employment plan, unless the parent can establish reasonable cause for not participating. Reasonable cause is defined in rule R986-200-212(8),

(5) Payment is made twice per month and only after proof of participation. Payment is based on the number of hours of participation by both parents. The amount of assistance is equal to the FEP payment for the household size prorated based on the number of hours which the parents participated up to a maximum of 60 hours of participation per week. In no event can the financial assistance payment per month for a FEPTP household be more than for the same size household participating in FEP.

(6) If it is determinated by the employment counselor that either one of the parents has failed to participate to the maximum extent possible assistance for the entire household unit will terminate immediately.

(7) Because payment is made after performance, advance notice is not required to terminate or reduce assistance payments for households participating in FEPTP. However, if the client requests a hearing within ten days of the termination, payment of financial assistance based on participation of both parents in eligible activities can continue during the hearing process as provided in R986-100-134.

(8) The parents must meet all other requirements of FEP including but not limited to, income and asset limits, cooperation with ORS if there are legally responsible persons outside of the household assistance unit, signing a participation agreement and employment plan and applying for all other assistance or benefits to which they might be entitled.

R986-200-216. Diversion.

(1) Diversion is a one-time financial assistance payment provided to help a client avoid receiving extended cash assistance.

(2) In determining whether a client should receive diversion assistance, the Department will consider the following:

(a) the applicant's employment history;

(b) the likelihood that the applicant will obtain immediate full-time employment;

(c) the applicant's housing stability; and

(d) the applicant's child care needs, if applicable.

(3) To be eligible for diversion the applicant must;

(a) have a need for financial assistance to pay for housing or substantial and unforseen expenses or work related expenses which cannot be met with current or anticipated resources;

(b) show that within the diversion period, the applicant will be employed or have other specific means of self support, and

(c) meet all eligibility criteria for a FEP financial assistance payment except the applicant does not need to cooperate with ORS in obtaining support. If the client is applying for other assistance such as medical or child care, the client will have to follow the eligibility rules for that type of assistance which may require cooperation with ORS.

(4) If the Department and the client agree diversion is appropriate, the client must sign a diversion agreement listing conditions, expectations and participation requirements.

(5) The diversion payment may not exceed three times the monthly financial assistance payment for the household size. All income expected to be received during the three-month period including wages and child support must be considered when negotiating the appropriate diversion payment amount.

(6) Child support will belong to the client during the three-month period, whether received by the client directly or collected by ORS. ORS will not use the child support to offset or reimburse the diversion payment.

(7) The client must agree to have the financial assistance portion of the application for assistance denied.

(8) If a diversion payment is made and the client later decides to reapply for financial assistance within three months of the date of the original application, the initial application date will be used and the amount of the diversion payment previously issued will be prorated over the three months and subtracted from the payment(s) to which the household unit is eligible.

(9) Diversion assistance is not available to clients participating in FEPTP. This is because FEPTP is based on performance and payment can only be made after performance.

R986-200-217. Time Limits.

(1) Except as provided in R986-200-218 and in Section 35A-3-306, a family cannot receive financial assistance under the FEP or FEPTP for more than 36 months.

(2) The following months count toward the 36-month time limit regardless of whether the financial assistance payment was made in this or any other state:

(a) each month when a parent client received financial assistance beginning with the month of January, 1997;

(b) each month beginning with January, 1997, where a parent resided in the household, the parent's income and assets were counted in determining the household's eligibility, but the parent was disqualified from being included in the financial payment. Disqualification occurs when a parent has been determined to have committed fraud in the receipt of public assistance or when the parent is an ineligible alien; and

(c) each month when financial assistance was reduced or a partial financial assistance payment was received beginning with the month of January, 1997.

(3) Months which do not count toward the 36 month time limit are:

(a) months where both parents were absent from the home and dependent children were cared for by a specified relative who elected to be excluded from the household unit;

(b) months where the client received financial assistance as a minor child and was not the head of a household or married to the head of a household;

(c) months during which the parent lived in Indian country, as defined in Title 18, Section 1151, United States Code 1999, or an Alaskan Native village, if the most reliable data available with respect to the month, or a period including the month, indicate that at least 50% of the adults living in Indian country or in the village were not employed;

(d) months when a parent resided in the home but were excluded from the household assistance unit. A parent is excluded when they receive SSI benefits;

(e) the first diversion period in any 12 month period of time is not counted toward the 36 month time limit. A second and all subsequent diversion periods within 12 months will count as one month toward the 36 month time limit. If a client

has already used 36 months of financial assistance, the client is not eligible for diversion assistance unless the client meets one of the extension criteria in R986-200-218 in addition to all other eligibility criteria of diversion assistance; or

(f) months when a parent client received transitional assistance.

R986-200-218. Exceptions to the Time Limit.

Exceptions to the time limit may be allowed for up to 20% of the average monthly number of families receiving financial assistance from FEP and FEPTP during the previous Federal fiscal year for the following reasons:

(1) A hardship under Section 35A-3-306 is determined to exist when a parent:

(a) is determined to be medically unable to work. The client must provide proof of inability to work in one of the following ways:

(i) receipt of disability benefits from SSA;

(ii) receipt of VA Disability benefits based on the parent being 100% disabled;

(iii) placement on the Division of Services to People with Disabilities' waiting list. Being on the waiting list indicates the person has met the criteria for a disability; or

(iv) is currently receiving Temporary Total or Permanent Total disability Workers' Compensation benefits;

(v) a medical statement completed by a medical doctor, a licensed Advanced Practice Registered Nurse, a licensed Physician's Assistant, or a doctor of osteopathy, stating the parent has a medical condition supported by medical evidence, which prevents the parent from engaging in work activities capable of generating income of at least $500 a month. The statement must be completed by a professional skilled in both the diagnosis and treatment of the condition; or

(vi) a statement completed by a licensed clinical social worker, licensed psychologist, licensed Mental Health Therapist as defined in UCA Section 58-60-102, or psychiatrist stating that the parent has been diagnosed with a mental health condition that prevents the parent from engaging in work activities capable of generating income of at least $500 a month. Substance abuse is considered the same as mental health condition;

(b) is under age 19 through the month of their nineteenth birthday;

(c) is currently engaged in an approved full-time job preparation, educational or training activity which the parent was expected to complete within the 36 month time limit but completion within the 36 months was not possible through no fault of the parent. Additionally, if the parent has previously received, beginning with the month of January 1997, 24 months of financial assistance while attending educational or training activities, good cause for additional months must be shown and approved;

(d) was without fault and a delay in the delivery of services provided by the Department occurred. The delay must have had an adverse effect on the parent causing a hardship and preventing the parent from obtaining employment. An extension under this section cannot be granted for more than the length of the delay;

(e) moved to Utah after exhausting 36 months of assistance in another state or states and the parent did not receive supportive services in that state or states as required under the provisions of PRWORA. To be eligible for an extension under this section, the failure to receive supportive services must have occurred through no fault of the parent and must contribute to the parent's inability to work. An extension under this section can never be for longer than the delay in services;

(f) completed an educational or training program at the 36th month and needs additional time to obtain employment;

(g) is unable to work because the parent is required in the home to meet the medical needs of a dependent. Dependent for the purposes of this paragraph means a person who the parent claims as a dependent on his or her income tax filing. Proof, consisting of a medical statement from a health care professional listed in subparagraph (1)(a)(v) or (vi) of this section is required unless the dependent is on the Travis C medicaid waiver program. The medical statement must include all of the following:

(i) the diagnosis of the dependent's condition,

(ii) the recommended treatment needed or being received for the condition,

(iii) the length of time the parent will be required in the home to care for the dependent, and

(iv) whether the parent is required to be in the home full-time or part-time; or

(h) is currently receiving assistance under one of the exceptions in this section and needs additional time to obtain employment. A client can only receive assistance for one month under this subparagraph. If the Department determines that granting an exception under this subparagraph adversely impacts its federally mandated participation rate requirements or might otherwise jeopardize its funding, the one month exception will not be granted.

(2) Additional months of financial assistance may be provided if the family includes an individual who has been battered or subjected to extreme cruelty which is a barrier to employment and the implementation of the time limit would make it more difficult to escape the situation. Battered or subjected to extreme cruelty means:

(a) physical acts which resulted in, or threatened to result in, physical injury to the individual;

(b) sexual abuse;

(c) sexual activity involving a dependent child;

(d) threats of, or attempts at, physical or sexual abuse;

(e) mental abuse which includes stalking and harassment; or

(f) neglect or deprivation of medical care.

(3) An exception to the time limit can be granted for a maximum of an additional 24 months if:

(a) during the previous two months, the parent client was employed for no less than 20 hours per week. The employment can consist of self-employment if the parent's net income from that self-employment is at or above minimum wage; and

(b) If, at the end of the 24-month extension, the parent client qualifies for an extension under Sections (1) or (2) of this rule, an additional extension can be granted under the provisions of those sections.

(4) All clients receiving an extension must continue to participate, to the maximum extent possible, in an employment plan. This includes cooperating with ORS in the collection, establishment, and enforcement of child support and the establishment of paternity, if necessary.

(5) If a household filing unit contains more than one parent, and one parent has received at least 36 months of assistance as a parent, then the entire filing unit is ineligible unless both parents meet one of the exceptions listed above. Both parents need not meet the same exception.

(6) A family in which the only parent or both parents are ineligible aliens cannot be granted an extension under Section (3) above or for any of the reasons in Subsections (1)(c), (d), (e) or (f). This is because ineligible aliens are not legally able to work and supportive services for work, education and training purposes are inappropriate.

(7) A client who is no longer eligible for financial assistance may be eligible for other kinds of public assistance including food stamps, Child Care Assistance and medical coverage. The client must follow the appropriate application process to determine eligibility for assistance from those other programs.

(8) Exceptions are subject to a review at least once every six months.

R986-200-219. Emergency Assistance (EA) for Needy Families With Dependent Children.

(1) EA is provided in an effort to prevent homelessness. It is a payment which is limited to use for utilities and rent or mortgage.

(2) To be eligible for EA the family must meet all other FEP requirements except:

(a) the client need only meet the "gross income" test. Gross income which is available to the client must be equal to or less than 185% of the standard needs budget for the client's filing unit; and

(b) the client is not required to enter into an employment plan or cooperate with ORS in obtaining support.

(3) The client must be homeless, in danger of becoming homeless or having the utilities at the home cut off due to a crisis situation beyond the client's control. The client must show that:

(a) The family is facing eviction or foreclosure because of past due rent or mortgage payments or unpaid utility bills which result from the crisis;

(b) A one-time EA payment will enable the family to obtain or maintain housing or prevent the utility shut off while they overcome the temporary crisis;

(c) Assistance with one month's rent or mortgage payment is enough to prevent the eviction, foreclosure or termination of utilities;

(d) The client has the ability to resolve past due payments and pay future months' rent or mortgage payments and utility bills after resolution of the crisis; and

(e) The client has exhausted all other resources.

(4) Emergency assistance is available for only 30 consecutive days during a year to any client or that client's household. If, for example, a client receives an EA payment of $450 for rent on April 1 and requests an additional EA payment of $300 for utilities on or before April 30 of that same year, the request for an EA payment for utilities will be considered. If the request for an additional payment for utilities is made after April 30, it cannot be considered for payment. The client will not be eligible for another EA payment until April 1 of the following year. A year is defined as 365 days following the initial date of payment of EA.

(5) Payments will not exceed $450 per family for one month's rent payment or $700 per family for one month's mortgage payment, and $300 for one month's utilities payment.

R986-200-220. Mentors.

(1) The Department will recruit and train volunteers to serve as mentors for parent clients. The Department may elect to contract for the recruitment and training of the volunteers.

(2) A mentor may advocate on behalf of a parent client and help a parent client:

(a) develop life skills;

(b) implement an employment plan; or

(c) obtain services and support from:

(i) the volunteer mentor;

(ii) the Department; or

(iii) civic organizations.

R986-200-230. Assets Counted in Determining Eligibility.

(1) All available assets, unless exempt, are counted in determining eligibility. An asset is available when the applicant or client owns it and has the ability and the legal right to sell it or dispose of it. An item is never counted as both income and an asset in the same month.

(2) The value of an asset is determined by its equity value. Equity value is the current market value less any debts still owing on the asset. Current market value is the asset's selling price on the open market as set by current standards of appraisal.

(3) Both real and personal property are considered assets. Real property is an item that is fixed, permanent, or immovable. This includes land, houses, buildings, mobile homes and trailer homes. Personal property is any item other than real property.

(4) If an asset is potentially available, but a legal impediment to making it available exists, it is exempt until it can be made available. The applicant or client must take appropriate steps to make the asset available unless:

(a) Reasonable action would not be successful in making the asset available; or

(b) The probable cost of making the asset available exceeds its value.

(5) The value of countable real and personal property cannot exceed $2,000.

(6) If the household assets are below the limits on the first day of the month the household is eligible for the remainder of the month.

R986-200-231. Assets That Are Not Counted (Exempt) for Eligibility Purposes.

The following are not counted as an asset when determining eligibility for financial assistance:

(1) the home in which the family lives, and its contents, unless any single item of personal property has a value over $1,000, then only that item is counted toward the $2,000 limit. If the family owns more than one home, only the primary residence is exempt and the equity value of the other home is counted;

(2) the value of the lot on which the home stands is exempt if it does not exceed the average size of residential lots for the community in which it is located. The value of the property in excess of an average size lot is counted if marketable;

(3) water rights attached to the home property are exempt;

(4) motorized vehicles;

(5) with the exception of real property, the value of income producing property necessary for employment;

(6) the value of any reasonable assistance received for post-secondary education;

(7) bona fide loans, including reverse equity loans;

(8) per capita payments or any asset purchased with per capita payments made to tribal members by the Secretary of the Interior or the tribe;

(9) maintenance items essential to day-to-day living;

(10) life estates;

(11) an irrevocable trust where neither the corpus nor income can be used for basic living expenses;

(12) for refugees, as defined under R986-300-303(1), assets that remain in the refugee's country of origin are not counted;

(13) one burial plot per member of the household. A burial plot is a burial space and any item related to repositories used for the remains of the deceased. This includes caskets, concrete vaults, urns, crypts, grave markers, etc. If the individual owns a grave site, the value of which includes opening and closing, the opening and closing is also exempt;

(14) a burial/funeral fund up to a maximum of $1,500 per member of the household;

(a) The value of any irrevocable burial trust is subtracted from the $1,500 burial/funeral fund exemption. If the irrevocable burial trust is valued at $1,500 or more, it reduces the burial/funeral fund exemption to zero.

(b) After deducting any irrevocable burial trust, if there is still a balance in the burial/funeral fund exemption amount, the remaining exemption is reduced by the cash value of any burial contract, funeral plan, or funds set aside for burial up to a

maximum of $1,500. Any amount over $1,500 is considered an asset;

(15) any interest which is accrued on an exempt burial contract, funeral plan, or funds set aside for burial is exempt as income or assets. If an individual removes the principal or interest and uses the money for a purpose other than the individual's burial expenses, the amount withdrawn is countable income; and

(16) any other property exempt under federal law.

R986-200-232. Considerations in Evaluating Real Property.

(1) Any nonexempt real property that an applicant or client is making a bona fide effort to sell is exempt for a nine-month period provided the applicant or client agrees to repay, from the proceeds of the sale, the amount of financial and/or child care assistance received. Bona fide effort to sell means placing the property up for sale at a price no greater than the current market value. Additionally, to qualify for this exemption, the applicant or client must assign, to the state of Utah, a lien against the real property under consideration. If the property is not sold during the period of time the client was receiving financial and/or child care assistance or if the client loses eligibility for any reason during the nine-month period, the lien will not be released until repayment of all financial and/or child care assistance is made.

(2) Payments received on a sales contract for the sale of an exempt home are not counted if the entire proceeds are committed to replacement of the property sold within 30 days of receipt and the purchase is completed within 90 days. If more than 90 days is needed to complete the actual purchase, one 90-day extension may be granted. Proceeds are defined as all payments made on the principal of the contract. Proceeds do not include interest earned on the principal which is counted as income.

R986-200-233. Considerations in Evaluating Household Assets.

(1) The assets of a disqualified household member are counted.

(2) The assets of a ward that are controlled by a legal guardian are considered available to the ward.

(3) The assets of an ineligible child are exempt.

(4) When an ineligible alien is a parent, the assets of that alien parent are counted in determining eligibility for other family members.

(5) Certain aliens who have been legally admitted to the United States for permanent residence must have the income and assets of their sponsors considered in determining eligibility for financial assistance under applicable federal authority in accordance with R986-200-243.

R986-200-234. Income Counted in Determining Eligibility.

(1) The amount of financial assistance is based on the household's monthly income and size.

(2) Household income means the payment or receipt of countable income from any source to any member counted in the household assistance unit including:

(a) children; and

(b) people who are disqualified from being counted because of a prior determination of fraud (IPV) or because they are an ineligible alien.

(3) The income of SSI recipients is not counted.

(4) Countable income is gross income, whether earned or unearned, less allowable exclusions listed in section R986-200-239.

(5) Money is not counted as income and an asset in the same month.

(6) If an individual has elected to have a voluntary reduction or deduction taken from an entitlement to earned or unearned income, the voluntary reduction or deduction is counted as gross income. Voluntary reductions include insurance premiums, savings, and garnishments to pay an owed obligation.

R986-200-235. Unearned Income.

(1) Unearned income is income received by an individual for which the individual performs no service.

(2) Countable unearned income includes:

(a) pensions and annuities such as Railroad Retirement, Social Security, VA, Civil Service;

(b) disability benefits such as sick pay and workers' compensation payments unless considered as earned income;

(c) unemployment insurance;

(d) strike or union benefits;

(e) VA allotment;

(f) income from the GI Bill;

(g) assigned support retained in violation of statute is counted when a request to do so has been generated by ORS;

(h) payments received from trusts made for basic living expenses;

(i) payments of interest from stocks, bonds, savings, loans, insurance, a sales contract, or mortgage. This applies even if the payments are from the sale of an exempt home. Payments made for the down payment or principal are counted as assets;

(j) inheritances;

(k) life insurance benefits;

(l) payments from an insurance company or other source for personal injury, interest, or destroyed, lost or stolen property unless the money is used to replace that property;

(m) cash contributions from any source including family, a church or other charitable organization;

(n) rental income if the rental property is managed by another individual or company for the owner. Income from rental property managed by someone in the household assistance unit is considered earned income;

(o) financial assistance payments received from another state or the Department from another type of financial assistance program including a diversion payment; and

(p) payments from Job Corps and Americorps living allowances.

(3) Unearned income which is not counted (exempt):

(a) cash gifts for special occasions which do not exceed $30 per quarter for each person in the household assistance unit. The gift can be divided equally among all members of the household assistance unit;

(b) bona fide loans, including reverse equity loans on an exempt property. A bona fide loan means a loan which has been contracted in good faith without fraud or deceit and genuinely endorsed in writing for repayment;

(c) the value of food stamps, food donated from any source, and the value of vouchers issued under the Women Infants and Children program;

(d) any per capita payments made to individual tribal members by either the secretary of interior or the tribe are excluded. Income to tribal members derived from privately owned land is not exempt;

(e) any payments made to household members that are declared exempt under federal law;

(f) the value of governmental rent and housing subsidies, federal relocation assistance, or EA issued by the Department;

(g) money from a trust fund to provide for or reimburse the household for a specific item NOT related to basic living expenses. This includes medical expenses and educational expenses. Money from a trust fund to provide for or reimburse a household member for basic living expenses is counted;

(h) travel and training allowances and reimbursements if they are directly related to training, education, work, or volunteer activities;

(i) all unearned income in-kind. In-kind means something,

such as goods or commodities, other than money;

(j) thirty dollars of the income received from rental income unless greater expenses can be proven. Expenses in excess of $30 can be allowed for:

(i) taxes;

(ii) attorney fees expended to make the rental income available;

(iii) upkeep and repair costs necessary to maintain the current value of the property; and

(iv) interest paid on a loan or mortgage made for upkeep or repair. Payment on the principal of the loan or mortgage cannot be excluded;

(k) if meals are provided to a roomer/boarder, the value of a one-person food stamp allotment for each roomer/boarder;

(l) payments for energy assistance including H.E.A.T payments, assistance given by a supplier of home energy, and in-kind assistance given by a private non-profit agency;

(m) federal and state income tax refunds and earned income tax credit payments;

(n) payments made by the Department to reimburse the client for education or work expenses, or a CC subsidy;

(o) income of an SSI recipient. Neither the payment from SSI nor any other income, including earned income, of an SSI recipient is included;

(p) payments from a person living in the household who is not included in the household assistance unit, as defined in R986-200-205, when the payment is intended and used for that person's share of the living expenses;

(q) educational assistance and college work study except Veterans Education Assistance intended for family members of the student, living stipends and money earned from an assistantship program is counted as income; and

(r) for a refugee, as defined in R986-300-303(1), any grant or assistance, whether cash or in-kind, received directly or indirectly under the Reception and Placement Programs of Department of State or Department of Justice.

R986-200-236. Earned Income.

(1) All earned income is counted when it is received even if it is an advance on wages, salaries or commissions.

(2) Countable earned income includes:

(a) wages, except Americorps*Vista living allowances are not counted;

(b) salaries;

(c) commissions;

(d) tips;

(e) sick pay which is paid by the employer;

(f) temporary disability insurance or temporary workers' compensation payments which are employer funded and made to an individual who remains employed during recuperation from a temporary illness or injury pending the employee's return to the job;

(g) rental income only if managerial duties are performed by the owner to receive the income. The number of hours spent performing those duties is not a factor. If the property is managed by someone other than the individual, the income is counted as unearned income;

(h) net income from self-employment less allowable expenses, including income over a period of time for which settlement is made at one given time. The periodic payment is annualized prospectively. Examples include the sale of farm crops, livestock, and poultry. A client may deduct actual, allowable expenses, or may opt to deduct 40% of the gross income from self-employment to determine net income;

(i) training incentive payments and work allowances; and

(j) earned income of dependent children.

(3) Income that is not counted as earned income:

(a) income for an SSI recipient;

(b) reimbursements from an employer for any bona fide work expense;

(c) allowances from an employer for travel and training if the allowance is directly related to the travel or training and identifiable and separate from other countable income; or

(d) Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) payments.

R986-200-237. Lump Sum Payments.

(1) Lump sum payments are one-time windfalls or retroactive payments of earned or unearned income. Lump sums include but are not limited to, inheritances, insurance settlements, awards, winnings, gifts, and severance pay, including when a client cashes out vacation, holiday, and sick pay. They also include lump sum payments from Social Security, VA, UI, Worker's Compensation, and other one-time payments. Payments from SSA that are paid out in installments are not considered lump sum payments but as income, even if paid less often than monthly.

(2) The following lump sum payments are not counted as income or assets:

(a) any kind of lump sum payment of excluded earned or unearned income. If the income would have been excluded, the lump sum payment is also excluded. This includes SSI payments and any EITC; and

(b) insurance settlements for destroyed exempt property when used to replace that property.

(3) The net lump sum payment is counted as income for the month it is received. Any amount remaining after the end of that month is considered an asset.

(4) The net lump sum is the portion of the lump sum that is remaining after deducting:

(a) legal fees expended in the effort to make the lump sum available;

(b) payments for past medical bills if the lump sum was intended to cover those expenses; and

(c) funeral or burial expenses, if the lump sum was intended to cover funeral or burial expenses.

(5) A lump sum paid to an SSI recipient is not counted as income or an asset except for those recipients receiving financial assistance from GA or WTE.

R986-200-238. How to Calculate Income.

(1) To determine if a client is eligible for, and the amount of, a financial assistance payment, the Department estimates the anticipated income, assets and household size for each month in the certification period.

(2) The methods used for estimating income are:

(a) income averaging or annualizing which means using a history of past income that is representative of future income and averaging it to determine anticipated future monthly income. It may be necessary to evaluate the history of past income for a full year or more; and

(b) income anticipating which means using current facts such as rate of pay and hourly wage to anticipate future monthly income when no reliable history is available.

(3) Monthly income is calculated by multiplying the average weekly income by 4.3 weeks. If a client is paid every two weeks, the income for those two weeks is multiplied by 2.15 weeks to determine monthly income.

(4) The Department's estimate of income, when based on the best available information at the time it was made, will be determined to be an accurate reflection of the client's income. If it is later determined the actual income was different than the estimate, no adjustment will be made. If the client notifies the Department of a change in circumstances affecting income, the estimated income can be adjusted prospectively but not retrospectively.

R986-200-239. How to Determine the Amount of the Financial Assistance Payment.

(1) Once the household's size and income have been determined, the gross countable income must be less than or equal to 185% of the Standard Needs Budget (SNB) for the size of the household. This is referred to as the "gross test".

(2) If the gross countable income is less than or equal to 185% of the SNB, the following deductions are allowed:

(a) a work expense allowance of $100 for each person in the household unit who is employed;

(b) fifty percent of the remaining earned income after deducting the work expense allowance as provided in paragraph (a) of this subsection, if the individual has received a financial assistance payment from the Department for one or more of the immediately preceding four months; and

(c) after deducting the amounts in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this subsection, if appropriate, the following deductions can be made:

(i) a dependent care deduction as described in subsection (3) of this section; and

(ii) child support paid by a household member if legally owed to someone not included in the household.

(3) The amount of the dependant care deduction is set by the Department and based on the number of hours worked by the parent and the age of the dependant needing care. It can only be deducted if the dependant care:

(a) is paid for the care of a child or adult member of the household assistance unit, or a child or adult who would be a member of the household assistance unit except that this person receives SSI. An adult's need for care must be verified by a doctor; and

(b) is not subsidized, in whole or in part, by a CC payment from the Department; and

(c) is not paid to an individual who is in the household assistance unit.

(4) After deducting the amounts allowed under paragraph (2) above, the resulting net income must be less than 100% of SNB for size of the household assistance unit. If the net income is equal to or greater than the SNB, the household is not eligible.

(5) If the net income is less than 100% of the SNB the following amounts are deducted:

(a) Fifty percent of earned countable income for all employed household assistance unit members if the household was not eligible for the 50% deduction under paragraph (2)(b) above; and/or

(b) All of the earned income of all children in the household assistance unit, if not previously deducted, who are:

(i) in school or training full-time, or

(ii) in part-time education or training if they are employed less than 100 hours per month. "Part-time education or training" means enrolled for at least one-half the number of hours or periods considered by the institution to be customary to complete the course of study within the minimum time period. If no schedule is set by the school, the course of study must be no less than an average of two class periods or two hours per day, whichever is less.

(6) The resulting net countable income is compared to the full financial assistance payment for the household size. If the net countable income is more than the financial assistance payment, the household is not eligible. If it is less, the net countable income is deducted from the financial assistance payment and the household is paid the difference.

(7) The amount of the standard financial assistance payment is set by the State Legislature and available at all Department offices.

R986-200-240. Additional Payments Available Under Certain Circumstances.

(1) Each parent eligible for financial assistance in the FEP or FEPTP programs who takes part in at least one enhanced participation activity may be eligible to receive $60 each month in addition to the standard financial assistance payment. Enhanced participation activities are limited to:

(a) work experience sites of at least 20 hours a week and other eligible activities that together total 30 hours per week;

(b) full-time attendance in an education or employment training program; or

(c) employment of 20 hours or more a week and other eligible activities that together total 30 hours per week.

(2) An additional payment of $15 per month for a pregnant woman in the third month prior to the expected month of delivery. Eligibility for the allowance begins in the month the woman provides medical proof that she is in the third month prior to the expected month of delivery. The pregnancy allowance ends at the end of the month the pregnancy ends.

(3) A limited number of funds are available to individuals for work and training expenses. The funds can only be used to alleviate circumstances which impede the individual's ability to begin or continue employment, job search, training, or education. The payment of these funds is completely discretionary by the Department. The individual does not need to meet any eligibility requirements to request or receive these funds.

(4) Limited funds are available, up to a maximum of $300, to pay for burial costs if the individual is not entitled to a burial paid for by the county.

(5) A Department Regional Director or designee may approve assistance, as funding allows, for the emergency needs of a non-resident who is transient, temporarily stranded in Utah, and who does not intend to stay in Utah.

(6) A limited number of funds are available for enhanced payments to parents who are eligible for financial assistance in the FEP program or who are eligible for TANF non-FEP training under R986-200-245 and who participate in the HS/GED Pilot Program. The payment of these funds is completely discretionary by the Department and may differ from region to region.

R986-200-241. Income Eligibility Calculation for a Specified Relative Who Wants to be Included in the Assistance Payment.

(1) The income calculation for a specified relative who wants to be included in the financial assistance payment is as follows:

(a) All earned and unearned countable income is counted, as determined by FEP rules, for the specified relative and his or her spouse, less the following allowable deductions:

(i) one hundred dollars for each employed person in the household. This deduction is only allowed for the specified relative and/or spouse and not anyone else in the household even if working; and

(ii) the child care expenses paid by the specified relative and necessary for employment up to the maximum allowable deduction as set by the Department.

(2) The household size is determined by counting the specified relative, his or her spouse if living in the home, and their dependent children living in the home who are not in the household assistance unit.

(3) If the income less deductions exceeds 100% of the SNB for a household of that size, the specified relative cannot be included in the financial assistance payment. If the income is less than 100% of the SNB, the total household income is divided by the household size calculated under subsection (2) of this section. This amount is deemed available to the specified relative as countable unearned income. If that amount is less than the maximum financial assistance payment for the household assistance unit size, the specified relative may be included in the financial assistance payment.

R986-200-242. Income Calculation for a Minor Parent Living with His or Her Parent or Stepparent.

(1) All earned and unearned countable income of all parents, including stepparents living in the home, is counted when determining the eligibility of a minor parent residing in the home of the parent(s).

(2) From that income, the following deductions are allowed:

(a) one hundred dollars from income earned by each parent or stepparent living in the home, and

(b) an amount equal to 100% of the SNB for a group with the following members:

(i) the parents or stepparents living in the home;

(ii) any other person in the home who is not included in the financial assistance payment of the minor parent and who is a dependent of the parents or stepparents;

(c) amounts paid by the parents or stepparents living in the home to individuals not living at home but who could be claimed as dependents for Federal income tax purposes; and

(d) alimony and child support paid to someone outside the home by the parents or stepparents living in the home.

(3) The resulting amount is counted as unearned income to the minor parent.

(4) If a minor parent lives in a household already receiving financial assistance, the child of the minor parent is included in the larger household assistance unit.

R986-200-243. Counting the Income of Sponsors of Eligible Aliens.

(1) Certain aliens who have been legally admitted into the United States for permanent residence must have a portion of the earned and unearned countable income of their sponsors counted as unearned income in determining eligibility and financial assistance payment amounts for the alien.

(2) The following aliens are not subject to having the income of their sponsor counted:

(a) paroled or admitted into the United States as a refugee or asylee;

(b) granted political asylum;

(c) admitted as a Cuban or Haitian entrant;

(d) other conditional or paroled entrants;

(e) not sponsored or who have sponsors that are organizations or institutions;

(f) sponsored by persons who receive public assistance or SSI;

(g) permanent resident aliens who were admitted as refugees and have been in the United States for eight months or less.

(3) Except as provided in subsection (7) of this section, the income of the sponsor of an alien who applies for financial assistance after April 1, 1983 and who has been legally admitted into the United States for permanent residence must be counted for five years after the entry date into the United States. The entry date is the date the alien was admitted for permanent residence. The time spent, if any, in the United States other than as a permanent resident is not considered as part of the five year period.

(4) The amount of income deemed available for the alien is calculated by:

(a) deducting 20% from the total earned income of the sponsor and the sponsor's spouse up to a maximum of $175 per month; then,

(b) adding to that figure all of the monthly unearned countable income of the sponsor and the sponsor's spouse; then the following deductions are allowed:

(i) an amount equal to 100% of the SNB amount for the number of people living in the sponsor's household who are or could be claimed as dependents under federal income tax policy; then,

(ii) actual payments made to people not living in the sponsor's household whom the sponsor claims or could claim as dependents under federal income tax policy; then,

(iii) actual payments of alimony and/or child support the sponsor makes to individuals not living in the sponsor's household.

(c) The remaining amount is counted as unearned income against the alien whether or not the income is actually made available to the alien.

(5) Actual payments by the sponsor to aliens will be counted as income only to the extent that the payment amount exceeds the amount of the sponsor's income already determined as countable.

(6) A sponsor can be held liable for an overpayment made to a sponsored alien if the sponsor was responsible for, or signed the documents which contained, the misinformation that resulted in the overpayment. The sponsor is not held liable for an overpayment if the alien fails to give accurate information to the Department or the sponsor is deceased, in prison, or can prove the request for information was incomplete or vague.

(7) In the case where the alien entered the United States after December 19, 1997, the sponsor's income does not count if:

(a) the alien becomes a United States citizen through naturalization;

(b) the alien has worked 40 qualifying quarters as determined by Social Security Administration; or

(c) the alien or the sponsor dies.

R986-200-244. TANF Needy Family (TNF).

(1) TNF is not a program but describes a population that can be served using TANF Surplus Funds.

(2) Eligible families must have a dependent child under the age of 18 residing in the home, and the total household income must not exceed 200% of the Federal poverty level. Income is determined as gross income without allowance for disregards.

(3) Services available vary throughout the state. Information on what is available in each region is available at each Employment Center. The Department may elect to contract out services.

(4) If TANF funded payments are made for basic needs such as housing, food, clothing, shelter, or utilities, each month a payment is received under TNF, counts as one month of assistance toward the 36 month lifetime limit. Basic needs also include transportation and child care if all adults in the household are unemployed and will count toward the 36 month lifetime limit.

(5) If a member of the household has used all 36 months of FEP assistance the household is not eligible for basic needs assistance under TNF but may be eligible for other TANF funded services.

(6) Assets are not counted when determining eligibility for TNF services.

R986-200-245. TANF Non-FEP Training (TNT).

(1) TNT is to provide skills and training to parents to help them become suitably employed and self-sufficient.

(2) The client must be unable to achieve self-sufficiency without training.

(3) Eligible families must have a dependent child under the age of 18 residing in the home and the total household income must not exceed 200% of the Federal poverty level. If the only dependent child is 18 and expected to graduate from High School before their 19th birthday the family is eligible up through the month of graduation. Income is counted and calculated the same as for WIA as found in rule R986-600.

(4) Assets are not counted when determining eligibility for TNT services.

(5) The client must show need and appropriateness of training.

(6) The client must negotiate an employment plan with the Department and participate to the maximum extent possible.

(7) The Department will not pay for supportive services such as child care, transportation or living expenses under TNT. The Department can pay for books, tools, work clothes and other needs associated with training.

R986-200-246. Transitional Cash Assistance.

(1) Transitional Cash Assistance, (TCA) is offered to help FEP and FEPTP customers stabilize employment and reduce recidivism.

(2) To be eligible for TCA a client must;

(a) have been eligible for and have received FEP or FEPTP during the month immediately preceding the month during which TCA is requested or granted. The FEP or FEPTP assistance must have been terminated due to earned or unearned income and not for nonparticipation under R986-200-212. If the immediately preceding month was during a diversion period, the client is not eligible for TCA, and

(b) be employed an average of 30 hours per week for FEP households. The parents in a FEPTP household cannot combine hours for TCA. Each parent must be employed 30 hours per week.

(3) TCA is only available if the customer verifies employment averaging the minimum required in subparagraph (2)(b) of this section.

(4) TCA is available for a maximum of three months.

(a) The assistance payment for the first two months of TCA is based on household size. All household income, earned and unearned, is disregarded.

(b) Payment for the third month is one half of the payment available in (4)(a) of this section.

(5) If initial verification is provided and a client is paid one month of TCA but the client is unable to provide documentation to support that initial verification, no further payments will be made under TCA but the one month payment will not result in an overpayment.

(6) A client can only receive TCA once in any 24 month period. This time limit applies regardless of how many months of TCA a client received.

(7) TCA does not count toward the 36 month time limit found in R986-200-217.

R986-200-250. Basic Education Training Provider.

(1) Basic education funds can only be provided to training providers approved by the Department.

(2) This section applies to basic education providers receiving funds from the Department including WIA funds under R986-600.

R986-200-251. Types of Basic Education Training Providers and Approval Requirements.

(1) Public schools governed by the Utah State Office of Education (USOE) must complete and submit Application "A" to the Department.

(2) Individuals offering youth tutoring personally, and not as an employee of another business or school, must be over 18 years of age, submit Application "B" and provide all of the following;

(a) a birth certificate,

(b) a current BCI background check results for Utah, from the Utah Department of Public Safety, paid for by the individual. The BCI report cannot contain:

(i) any matters involving an alleged sexual offense;

(ii) any matters involving an alleged felony or class A misdemeanor drug offense; or

(iii) any matters involving an alleged offense against the person under Utah State Code Title 76 Chapter 5, Offenses Against the Person.

(c) a resume with tutoring-related work history or subject matter knowledge,

(d) three letters of recommendation addressing suitability as a tutor, and

(e) an approved grievance procedure for clients to use in making complaints.

(3) All other providers must submit Application "C" and;

(a) have been in business in Utah for at least one year;

(b) meet all state and local licensing requirements;

(c) have a satisfactory record with the Better Business Bureau;

(d) submit evidence of financial stability prepared by a certified public accountant (CPA) using generally accepted accounting principles. The evidence must include at least one of the following:

(i) balance sheet, income statement and a statement of changes in financial position;

(ii) copy of the most recent annual business audit; or

(iii) copies of each owner's most recent personal income tax return.

(e) submit a current Utah Business License showing at least one year in business, and

(f) submit an approved grievance procedure for clients to use in making complaints.

(g) ESL training providers must also submit documentation of registration as a Postsecondary Proprietary School with the Utah Division of Consumer Protection or show an exemption from such registration.

(h) Providers offering high school credit must also provide documentation of accreditation through Utah State Office of Education and Northwest Association of Accredited Schools.

(4) Training providers submitting Application "B" or "C" must provide the following information for each training program for which the provider is seeking approval:

(a) program completion rates for all individuals enrolled;

(b) the type of certification students completing the program will obtain;

(c) the percentage rate of certification attained by program graduates; and

(d) program costs including tuition, fees and refund policy.

(5) A training provider approved under R986-600-652 can be approved for its basic education curriculum upon submission and approval of the information required in subsection (4) of this section. However, public schools governed by Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 USCA 1070 et seq.) or the Utah State Office of Education (USOE) approved as providers under R986-600-652 do not need to submit the information required in subsection (4) of this section.

R986-200-252. Renewal and Revocation of Approval for Training Providers.

(1) Once a provider has been approved, the Department will establish a review date for that provider and notify the provider of the review date. The Department will determine at the time of the review if the provider is still eligible for approved provider status and notify the provider of that determination. At the time of review, the provider is required to provide any and all information requested by the Department which the Department has determined is necessary to allow the provider to continue to be an approved provider. This may include completing necessary forms, providing documentation and verification, and returning the Department's telephone calls. The requests for information must be completed within the time frame specified by the Department. If the Department determines as a result of the review that the provider is no longer eligible for approved provider status, the provider will be removed from the approved provider list.

(2) Providers must retain participant program records for three years from the date the participant completes the program.

(3) A provider who is not on the Department's approved provider list is not eligible for receipt of Department funds. A provider will be removed from the eligible provider list if the provider:

(a) does not meet the performance levels established by the Department including providing training services in a professional and timely manner;

(b) has committed fraud or violated applicable state or federal law, rule, or regulation;

(c) intentionally supplies inaccurate student or program performance information;

(d) fails to complete the review process; or

(e) has lost approval, accreditation, licensing, or certification from any of the following:

(i) Utah Division of Consumer Protection,

(ii) USOE,

(iii) Northwest Association of Accredited Schools, or

(iv) any other required approval, accrediting, licensing, or certification body.

(4) Some providers who have been removed from the eligible provider list may be eligible to be placed back on the list as follows:

(a) a provider who was removed for failure to meet performance levels may reapply for approval if the provider can prove it can meet performance levels;

(b) there is a lifetime ban for a provider who has committed fraud as a provider;

(c) providers removed for other violations of state or federal law will be suspended:

(i) until the provider can prove it is no longer in violation of the law for minor violations;

(ii) for a period of two years for serious violations or supplying inaccurate student or program performance information; or

(iii) for the lifetime of the provider for egregious violations. The seriousness of the violation will be determined by the Department.

R986-200-253. Training Provider's Right to Appeal a Denial or Revocation of Approval.

(1) Training providers will be notified in writing of a decision to deny an application for approval as a basic education training provider or a decision to revoke prior approval. The notice will inform the provider of its right to file a written appeal, where the appeal should be sent, and the deadline for filing an appeal.

(2) A hearing on the appeal will be held by the Department's Appeals Unit following the procedure in R986-100.

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R986. Workforce Services, Employment Development.
R986-500. Adoption Assistance.
R986-500-501. Authority for Adoption Assistance (AA) and Other Applicable Rules.

(1) The Department administers AA pursuant to the authority granted in Section 35A-3-308.

(2) The provisions of R986-100 apply to AA.

(3) The provisions of R986-200 apply to AA, except as noted in this rule.

R986-500-502. General Provisions.

(1) AA may be provided to a birth parent who was or would have been the caretaker of a child relinquished for adoption.

(2) The relinquishment must have been voluntary. Birth parents who have had their parental rights terminated are not eligible for AA.

(3) The adoption must have met the requirements of Section 78-30-4.14.

(4) AA financial assistance can be provided to a woman who is in her third trimester of pregnancy if she is planning to relinquish custody of the child for the purpose of adoption and if she is otherwise eligible.

(5) A parent must apply for AA no later than the end of the second month after the month of relinquishment. Proof of relinquishment is required.

(6) Relinquishment can be made for any minor child, however a child age 12 or older must agree to the relinquishment.

(7) The Department will coordinate services to assist the client in:

(a) receiving appropriate educational and occupational assessment and planning, including enrolling in appropriate education or training programs, which includes high school completion and adult education programs;

(b) enrolling in programs that provide assistance with job readiness, employment counseling, finding employment, and work skills;

(c) finding suitable housing;

(d) receiving medical assistance, under Title 26, Chapter 18, Medical Assistance Act, if the client is otherwise eligible; and

(e) receiving counseling and other mental health services.

(8) If a birth parent relinquishes custody of a child, and before the adoption is finalized, takes back custody of the child, the parent is no longer eligible for AA.

(9) The rule regarding minor parents found at R986-200-213 applies if the parent seeking AA is a minor.

(10) If the minor parent seeking AA is living with her parent(s), or the parent(s) of the father of the child being relinquished, the FEP rule for counting the income of the household found in R986-200-242 applies.

R986-500-503. Services Available to All Pregnant Clients.

(1) The Department will publish and make available to all pregnant clients an easy-to-understand adoption information packet which:

(a) contains information about the public and private organizations that provide adoption assistance specific to the geographical location of the client;

(b) lists the names, addresses, and telephone numbers of licensed child placement agencies and licensed attorneys who place children for adoption;

(c) explains that private adoption is legal and that the law permits adoptive parents to reimburse the costs of prenatal care, childbirth, neonatal care, and other expenses related to pregnancy; and

(d) describes the services and supports available to the client from the Department and other state agencies.

(2) The Department will refer the client for appropriate prenatal medical care, including maternal health services provided under Title 26, Chapter 10, Family Health Services.

(3) The Department will inform the client of free counseling about adoption from licensed child placement agencies and licensed attorneys.

R986-500-504. AA Financial Assistance Eligibility and Amount.

(1) Eligibility and participation are determined by R986-200 except:

(a) the employment plan must contain the requirement that the client enroll in high school or an alternative to high school, if the client does not have a high school diploma;

(b) the child support enforcement provisions do not apply for the child being relinquished; and

(c) one vehicle with a maximum of $8,000 equity value is not counted. The entire equity value of one vehicle equipped to transport a disabled individual is exempt from the asset limit even if the vehicle has a value in excess of $8,000. Beginning October 1, 2007 all motorized vehicles will be exempt.

(2) If there are other eligible children living in the household assistance unit, the household will receive a monthly supplemental financial AA payment equal to the additional amount the household would have received had the parent(s) not relinquished the child.

(3) If there are no eligible children living in the household, financial AA will be provided equal to a household size of one even if both birth parents are living in the household.

R986-500-505. Time Limits for AA.

(1) Financial AA can be provided up to a maximum of 12 consecutive months from the date of relinquishment.

(2) Payment of financial assistance for part of a month counts as a whole month when calculating the 12 month time limit.

(3) No extensions or exceptions to the time limit will be allowed.

(4) A birth parent who is determined eligible for adoption assistance and becomes ineligible during the 12 month payment period may reestablish eligibility up to the twelfth month if the parent reapplies during the 12 month period.

(5) Months during which no payment of financial assistance was made due to ineligibility or disqualification count toward the 12 month time limit.

(6) There is no limit to the number of times a parent can apply for or be found eligible for AA, however months during which a client receives AA prior to relinquishment count toward the 36 month time limit for FEP and FEPTP found in R986-200-217. Months when a client receives AA after relinquishment count toward the 36 month time limit if the client is otherwise eligible to receive FEP or FEPTP because there are eligible children in the home.

R986-500-506. Safeguarding Records.

Records pertaining to the adoption will not be kept in the client's case file but will be sent to the Department of Adoption Assistance Specialist and kept private. This includes verification of relinquishment and anything that would identify any agency, organization, or individual assisting with the adoption.

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R994. Workforce Services, Unemployment Insurance.
R994-401. Payment of Benefits.
R994-401-101. Payment of Benefits.

Eligibility is established and benefits are paid on a weekly basis. The week starts on Sunday and ends on Saturday. Benefits do not become due until the end of the week for which benefits are claimed.

R994-401-201. Weekly Benefit Amount (WBA), Maximum Benefit Amount (MBA), and Monetary Determination.

(1) The formulas for determining the WBA and the MBA are found in Section 35A-4-401.

(2) The wages used to determine the WBA and the MBA are limited to wages reported to the Department by base period employers and verifiable wages paid by additional base period employers reported by the claimant in the initial claim. If an employer does not report wages and the claimant can verify wages from that employer, those wages may be included.

(3) The Department will send the claimant a "Notice of Monetary Determination." The notice will inform the claimant of the WBA, MBA, and the wages used to determine the claimant's monetary eligibility. The notice will also inform the claimant of his or her right to appeal the monetary determination. The claimant must notify the Department of any errors in the monetary determination. The time limit for notifying the Department of any errors or for appealing a monetary determination is the same as filing an appeal from an initial Department determination and is governed by rules R994-508-102 through R994-508-104.

(4) The monetary determination is based on the wages actually paid during the base period regardless of when the work was performed.

(5) To be monetarily eligible, a claimant must have earned base period wages of 1 and 1/2 times the high quarter wages and also meet a minimum dollar amount as established by the monetary base period wage requirement as defined in Section 35A-4-201.

(6) If a claimant is not monetarily eligible under the 1 and 1/2 times requirement in paragraph (5) of this section, but meets the monetary base period wage requirement, the claimant can still be eligible under this section if the claimant had earnings of at least five percent of the "monetary base period requirement for insured work," as defined in Subsection 35A-4-201(17), in each of at least 20 weeks during the base period. The earnings must be for work performed during each of the 20 weeks, all of which must fall within the base period, regardless of when the claimant received payment for the work. The requirement that the claimant show work and earnings in 20 weeks is only met if the claimant was paid wages as defined by the definition of "wages paid" in R994-401-202.

(7) The dollar amount for each of the 20 weeks required to establish eligibility will be determined by the monetary base period requirement for insured work in effect for the calendar year in which the initial claim is filed even if some or all of the 20 weeks are in a different calendar year.

(8) If the claimant is determined monetarily ineligible under the 1 and 1/2 times standard, it is the claimant's responsibility to show 20 weeks of covered employment which meet the minimum dollar amount. Acceptable proof of covered employment includes:

(a) appropriately dated check stubs issued by the employer;

(b) a written statement from the employer showing dates of employment and the amount of earnings for each week;

(c) time cards;

(d) canceled payroll checks; or

(e) personal or business records kept in the normal course of employment that would substantiate work and earnings.

(9) An employer's potential liability is based on its proportion of the claimant's base period wages. Employers will be informed of the wages used in determining a claimant's monetary entitlement, the employer's potential liability for benefits costs, and the right to and time limitation for requesting relief of charges or a correction to wages. A contributory employer is given a notice of all benefit costs each quarter and has the opportunity to report any errors or omissions to the Department at that time as well. The quarterly notices give the employer 30 days to advise the Department of any corrections, as provided in Subsection 35A-4-306(3).

(10) A party failing to file a timely appeal or protest may lose its right to have the monetary determination corrected. An untimely appeal or protest may be considered if the party had good cause, as defined in R994-508-104.

(11) The Department may revise the monetary determination after the expiration of the appeal time if there has been a mistake as to the facts or the revision would be substantial and required by fairness for a party who did not have access to the information and therefore could not have reasonably filed a timely appeal. The decision to revise a monetary determination after the appeal time has expired is discretionary with the Department.

R994-401-202. Wages Used to Determine Monetary Eligibility.

(1) "Wages paid" include those wages actually received by the worker and wages constructively paid, provided the employer's liability for payment has become unconditionally established. Wages are considered constructively paid, for the purposes of this section, on the earliest of: the next regular pay day in accordance with the employer's customary payment practices, the day required by contractual agreement, or as required by state law.

(2) Quarterly wages are all wages paid or constructively paid during a quarter regardless of when those wages are earned. Bonus or lump sum payments which do not meet the definition of vacation and severance pay in R994-405-701 et seq, made within the quarter which were not due on any specific day shall be treated as wages paid during the quarter in which the payment is made unless a request is made by the claimant for apportionment to the calendar quarters in which the remuneration was earned. Any such request must be received by the Department within ten days of the issuance of the monetary determination as provided by Subsection 35A-4-401(7).

R994-401-203. Retirement or Disability Retirement Income.

(1) A claimant's WBA is reduced by 100% of any retirement benefits, social security, pension, or disability retirement pay (referred to collectively in this section as "retirement benefits" or "retirement pay") received by the claimant. Except, for claims with an effective date on or after July 4, 2004, and on or before June 27, 2010 the reduction for social security retirement benefits will only be 50%. The payments must be:

(a) from a plan contributed to by a base-period employer. Social security payments are counted if a base period employer contributed to social security even if the social security payment is not based on employment during the base period;

(b) based on prior employment and the claimant qualifies because of age, length of service, disability, or any combination of these criteria. Disability payments must be based, at least in part, by length of service. Savings plans such as a 401(k) or IRA should not be used to reduce the WBA Payments from workers' compensation for temporary disability, black lung disability income, and benefits from the Department of Veterans Affairs are not counted because the amount of the payment is based on disability and not on length of service. Payments received as a spouse or beneficiary are not counted. That

portion of retirement benefits payable to a claimant's former spouse is not counted if the paying entity pays the former spouse directly and it is pursuant to court order or a signed, stipulated agreement in accordance with the law;

(c) periodic and not made in a lump sum. Lump sum payments, even if drawn from the employer's contributions to a fund established for the purpose of retirement, are not treated as severance pay under Subsection 35A-4-405(7); and

(d) payable during the benefit year. A claimant's WBA is not reduced if the claimant is eligible for, but not receiving, retirement income. However, if the claimant subsequently receives a retroactive payment of retirement benefits which, if received during the time unemployment insurance claims were filed, would have resulted in a reduced payment, an overpayment will be established. The period of time the payment represents, not the time of the receipt, is the determining factor. An assumption that a claimant is entitled to receive a pension, even if correct, is not sufficient basis to recompute the WBA. However, if a claimant has applied for a pension and expects to be determined eligible for a specific amount attributable to weeks when Unemployment Insurance benefits are payable, and the claimant is only awaiting receipt of those payments, a reduction of the claimant's WBA will be made.

(2) A claimant who could be eligible for a retirement income, but does not apply until after the Unemployment Insurance benefits have been paid, will be at fault for any overpayment resulting from a retroactive payment of retirement benefits.

(3) The formula for recomputation of the MBA in the event a claimant begins receiving retirement income after the beginning of the benefit year is found in Subsection 35A-4-401(2)(d). The recomputation is effective with the first full calendar week in which the claimant is eligible to receive applicable retirement benefits or adjustments to those benefits.

R994-401-301. Partial Payments - General Definition.

(1) A claimant's earnings that are equal to or less than 30 percent of the WBA will not result in a reduction of the WBA. The claimant's gross weekly earnings over 30 percent of the WBA will be deducted dollar for dollar from the WBA in the week in which it was earned. A claimant who earns less than the WBA and files a claim may be credited with a waiting week, or paid a partial payment. A claimant who earns equal to or more than the WBA will not be credited with a waiting week nor be eligible for any partial payment for that week.

(2) All work and earnings must be reported on a weekly basis. For example, when an otherwise eligible claimant is required to report income from a farm, and is paid one day of holiday pay and then accepts a one-day temporary job, the work and earnings from all three sources must be reported.

(3) Earnings are reportable in the week the work is performed which may be different from the week payment is received. If a claimant receives payment for commission sales, or other periodic earnings, the income must be attributed to, and reported in, the week when the work was performed.

(4) Reportable earnings which a claimant must report on the weekly claim include any and all wages, remuneration, or compensation for services even if the employer is not required to pay contributions on these wages.

R994-401-302. Liability of Part-time Concurrent Reimbursable Employers When There is No Job Separation from the Part-Time Reimbursable Employer.

(1) If the claimant worked for two or more employers during the base period and is separated from one or more of these employers, but continues in the regular part-time work with a reimbursable employer, the nonseparating part-time employer will not be liable for benefit costs provided;

(a) the claimant earned wages from a nonseparating employer within seven days prior to the date when the claim was filed,

(b) the claimant is not working on an "on call" basis,

(c) the number of hours of work have not been reduced, and

(d) the nonseparating employer makes a request that it not be held liable for benefit costs within ten days of the first notification of the employer's potential liability.

(2) The claimant's WBA will be determined on the basis of the total base period employment and earnings, however, earnings from the part-time reimbursable employer will be excluded from the calculation of the MBA.

(3) If the claimant is later separated from this employer within the benefit year or the claimant's hours of work are reduced below the customary number of hours worked during the base period, the reimbursable employer will be liable to pay the proportionate amount of benefit payments paid thereafter. A new monetary determination can also be made at the request of the claimant and would include all base period wages. The effective date of the revised monetary determination will be the first day of the week in which the request is made. See R994-307-101 for contributory employers.

R994-401-303. Income The Claimant must Report While Receiving Unemployment Benefits.

(1) All payments whether an hourly wage, salary, or commission paid for the performance of any service shall be reportable unless specifically identified as an exception in R994-401-304 or R994-401-305.

(2) Gratuities or tips paid directly to an employee by a customer or the employer for a service provided are reportable.

R994-401-304. Income Which May Be Reportable Under Certain Circumstances.

(1) A bonus paid as a direct result of past performance of service for a specific period prior to the separation is not reportable with respect to any week after the separation. A bonus is a payment given to an employee in addition to usual wages. If the payment is made contingent upon termination it will be considered a severance payment. Payments given at the time of separation that are based on years of service will also be considered severance payments. Severance payments are reportable in accordance with Subsection 35A-4-405(7).

(2) If a claimant is hired to start working on a certain day and the work is not available as of that date but the employer puts the claimant on the payroll as of that date, the claimant is considered employed and those wages are reportable.

(3) Any payment made in consideration of training that is required by the employer is considered to be reportable income unless shown to be:

(a) expenses necessary for school, for example, tuition, fees, and books;

(b) travel expenses;

(c) actual costs for room and board where costs are created as a necessary expense for the schooling; and

(d) the payments are exempt from income tax liability.

(4) If a claimant is being paid under a contract for the express purpose of being available to an employer, and there are limits placed upon the individual either as to how much earnings, if any, may be earned while receiving these payments, or on the time the individual must hold himself or herself available to the employer, the payment is considered reportable income.

(5) Any payments in kind are reportable, including the cash value for meals, lodging, or other payment unless the meals and lodging are excluded from the definition of wages by the Internal Revenue Service as under the following conditions:

(a) Meals that are furnished:

(i) on the business premises of the employer;
(ii) for the convenience of the employer;
(iii) without charge for substantial non-compensatory business reasons, not for the purpose of additional compensation. Substantial noncompensatory business reasons will be limited to meals which are provided:
(A) to have employees available for emergency call;
(B) to have employees with restricted lunch periods;
(C) because adequate eating facilities are not otherwise available.
(b) Lodging that is furnished:
(i) on the business premises of the employer;
(ii) as a condition of employment;
(iii) for the convenience of the employer, for example, to have an employee available for call at any time.
(6) Pensions that do not meet the criteria in R994-401-203 are not reportable income.

R994-401-305. Income a Claimant is not Required to Report While Receiving Unemployment Benefits.

Payments which are received for reasons other than the performance of a service are not reportable income. Some examples are:
(1) Payments from corporate stocks and bonds;
(2) Public service in lieu of payment of fines;
(3) Fees paid for jury duty or as witness fees will be considered reimbursement for expenses;
(4) Amounts paid specifically, either as an advance or reimbursement, for bona fide, ordinary, and necessary expenses incurred or reasonably expected to be incurred in the business of the employer. If an accounting by the employee is not required by the employer for actual expenses, the Department shall not require itemization;
(5) Payments specifically identifiable as not being provided for the rendering of service will not be considered wages including grants, public or private assistance or other support payments;
(6) Money or other considerations which are normally provided as a matter of course to immediate family members;
(7) Income from investments;
(8) Disability or permanent impairment awards under the Workers' Compensation Act; and,
(9) Payment attributable to the value of any equipment owned by the claimant and necessary for the performance of the job. If there is no contract of hire or the contract does not delineate what portion is payable for the equipment, the Department will determine the claimant's wages based on the prevailing wage for similar work under comparable conditions.

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R994. Workforce Services, Unemployment Insurance.
R994-403. Claim for Benefits.
R994-403-101a. Filing a New Claim.

(1) A new claim for unemployment benefits is made by filing with the Department of Workforce Services Claims Center. A new claim can be filed by telephone, completing an application at the Department's web site, or as otherwise instructed by the Department.

(2) The effective date of a new claim for benefits is the Sunday immediately preceding the date the claim is filed, provided the claimant did not work full-time during that week, or is not entitled to earnings equal to or in excess of the WBA for that week. A claim for benefits can only be made effective for a prior week if the claimant can establish good cause for late filing in accordance with R994-403-106a.

(3) When a claimant files a new claim during the last week of a quarter and has worked less than full-time for that week, the Department will make the claim effective that week if it is advantageous to the claimant, even if the claimant has earnings for that week that are equal to or in excess of the WBA.

(4) Wages used to establish eligibility for a claim cannot be used on a subsequent claim.

R994-403-102a. Cancellation of Claim.

(1) Once a weekly claim has been filed and the claimant has been deemed monetarily eligible, the claim is considered to have been established, even if no payment has been made or waiting week credit granted. The claim then remains established for 52 weeks during which time another regular claim may not be filed against the state of Utah unless the claim is canceled.

(2) A claim may be canceled if the claimant requests that the claim be canceled and one of the following circumstances can be shown:

(a) no weekly claims have been filed;

(b) cancellation is requested prior to the issuance of the monetary determination;

(c) the request is made within the same time period permitted for an appeal of the monetary determination and the claimant returns any benefits that have been paid;

(d) the claimant had earnings, severance, or vacation payments equal to or greater than the WBA applicable to all weeks for which claims were filed;

(e) the claimant meets the eligibility requirements for filing a new claim following a disqualification due to a strike in accordance with the requalifying provisions of Subsection 35A-4-405(4)(c);

(f) the claimant meets the requirements for cancellation established under the provisions for combined wage claims in R994-106-107; or

(g) the claimant has filed an unemployment compensation for ex-military (UCX) claim, and it is determined the claimant does not have wage credits under Title 5, chapter 85, U.S. Code.

R994-403-103a. Reopening a Claim.

(1) A claim for benefits is considered "closed" when a claimant reports four consecutive weeks of earnings equal to or in excess of the WBA or does not file a weekly claim within 27 days from the last week filed. In those circumstances, the claimant must reopen the claim before benefits can be paid.

(2) A claimant may reopen the claim any time during the 52-week period after first filing by contacting the Claims Center. The effective date of the reopened claim will be the Sunday immediately preceding the date the claimant requests reopening unless good cause is established for failure to request reopening during a prior week in accordance with R994-403-106a.

R994-403-104g. Using Unused Wages for a Subsequent Claim.

(1) A claimant may have sufficient wage credits to monetarily qualify for a subsequent claim without intervening employment.

(2) Before payment can be made on a subsequent claim using those unused wages, each of the following elements must be satisfied:

(a) the claimant must have performed work in covered employment after the effective date of the original claim, but not necessarily during the benefit year of the original claim;

(b) actual services must have been performed. Vacation, severance pay, or a bonus cannot be used to requalify;

(c) the claimant must have earnings from covered employment, as defined in R994-201-101(9), equal to at least six times the WBA of the original or subsequent claim, whichever is lower;

(d) the claimant must have actually received benefits during the preceding benefit year; and

(e) benefits will not be paid under Subsection 35A-4-403(1)(g) from the effective date of the claim and continuing until the week the claimant provides proof of covered employment equal to at least six times the WBA.

R994-403-105a. Filing Weekly Claims.

(1) Claims must be filed on a weekly basis. For unemployment benefit purposes, the week begins at 12:01 a.m. on Sunday and ends at midnight on Saturday. The claimant is the only person who is authorized to file weekly claims. The responsibility for filing weekly claims cannot be delegated to another person.

(2) Each weekly claim should be filed as soon as possible after the Saturday week ending date. If the claim has not been closed, the Department will allow 20 days after the week ending date to file a timely claim. A weekly claim filed 21 or more calendar days after the week ending date will be denied unless good cause for late filing is established in accordance with R994-403-106a.

R994-403-106a. Good Cause for Late Filing.

(1) Claims must be filed timely to insure prompt, accurate payment of benefits. Untimely claims are susceptible to errors and deprive the Department of its responsibility to monitor eligibility. Benefits may be paid if it is determined that the claimant had good cause for not filing in a timely manner.

(2) The claimant has the burden to establish good cause by competent evidence. Good cause is limited to circumstances where it is shown that the reasons for the delay in filing were due to circumstances beyond the claimant's control or were compelling and reasonable. Some reasons for good cause for late filing may raise other eligibility issues. Some examples that may establish good cause for late filing are:

(a) a crisis of several days duration that interrupts the normal routine during the time the claim should be filed;

(b) hospitalization or incarceration; or

(c) coercion or intimidation exercised by the employer to prevent the prompt filing of a claim.

(3) The Department is the only acceptable source of information about unemployment benefits. Relying on inaccurate advice from friends, relatives, other claimants or similar sources does not constitute good cause.

(4) Good cause for late filing cannot extend beyond 65 weeks from the filing date of the initial claim.

R994-403-107b. Registration, Workshops, Deferrals - General Definition.

(1) A claimant must register for work with the Department, unless, at the discretion of the Department, registration is waived or deferred.

(2) The Department may require attendance at workshops designed to assist claimants in obtaining employment.

(3) Failure, without good cause, to comply with the

requirements of Subsections (1) and (2) of this section may result in a denial of benefits. The claimant has the burden to establish good cause through competent evidence. Good cause is limited to circumstances where it is shown that the failure to comply was due to circumstances beyond the control of the claimant or which were compelling and reasonable. The proof of inability to register or report may raise an able or available issue.

(4) The denial of benefits begins with the week the claimant failed to comply and ends with the week the claimant contacts the Department and complies by either registering for work, reporting as required, or scheduling an appointment to attend the next available workshop or conference. The denial can be waived if the Department determines the claimant complied within a reasonable amount of time.

R994-403-108b. Deferral of Work Registration and Work Search.

(1) The Department may elect to defer the work registration and work search requirements. A claimant placed in a deferred status is not required to actively seek work but must meet all other availability requirements of the act. Deferrals are generally limited to the following circumstances:

(a) Labor Disputes.

A claimant who is unemployed due to a labor dispute may be deferred while an eligibility determination under Subsection 35A-4-405(4) is pending. If benefits are allowed, the claimant must register for work immediately.

(b) Union Attachment.

A claimant who is a union member in good standing, is on the out-of-work list, or is otherwise eligible for a job referral by the union, and has earned at least half of his or her base period earnings through the union, may be eligible for a deferral. If a deferral is granted to a union member, it shall not be extended beyond the mid-point of the claim unless the claimant can demonstrate a reasonable expectation of obtaining employment through the union.

(c) Employer Attachment.

A claimant who has an attachment to a prior employer and a date of recall to full-time employment within ten weeks of filing or reopening a claim may have the work registration requirement deferred to the expected date of recall. The deferral should not extend longer than ten weeks.

(d) Three Week Deferral.

A claimant who accepts a definite offer of full-time work to begin within three weeks, shall be deferred for that period.

(e) Seasonal.

A claimant may be deferred when, due to seasonal factors, work is not available in the claimant's primary base period occupation and other suitable work is not available in the area.

(2) Deferrals cannot be granted if prohibited by state or federal law for certain benefit programs.

R994-403-109b. Profiled Claimants.

(1) The Department will identify individuals who are likely to exhaust unemployment benefits through a profiling system and require that they participate in reemployment services. These services may include job search workshops, job placement services, counseling, testing, and assessment.

(2) In order to avoid disqualification for failure to participate in reemployment services, the claimant must show good cause for nonparticipation. Good cause for nonparticipation is established if the claimant can show:

(a) completion of equivalent services within the 12 month period immediately preceding the date the claimant is scheduled for reemployment services; or

(b) that the failure to participate was reasonable or beyond the claimant's control.

(3) Failure to participate in reemployment services without good cause will result in a denial of benefits beginning with the week the claimant refuses or fails to attend scheduled services and continuing until the week the claimant contacts the Employment Center to arrange participation in the required reemployment service.

(4) Some reasons for good cause for nonparticipation may raise other eligibility issues.

R994-403-110c. Able and Available - General Definition.

(1) The primary obligation of the claimant is to become reemployed. A claimant may meet all of the other eligibility criteria but, if the claimant cannot demonstrate ability, availability, and an active good faith effort to obtain work, benefits cannot be allowed.

(2) A claimant must be attached to the labor force, which means the claimant can have no encumbrances to the immediate acceptance of full-time work. The claimant must:

(a) be actively engaged in a good faith effort to obtain employment; and

(b) have the necessary means to become employed including tools, transportation, licenses, and childcare if necessary.

(3) The continued unemployment must be due to the lack of suitable job opportunities.

(4) The only exception to the requirement that a claimant actively seek work is if the Department has approved schooling under Section 35A-4-403(2) and the claimant meets the requirements of R994-403-107b.

(5) The only exception to the requirements that the claimant be able to work and actively seeking full-time work are that the claimant meets the requirements of R994-403-111c(6).

R994-403-111c. Able.

(1) The claimant must have no physical or mental health limitation which would preclude immediate acceptance of full-time work. A recent history of employment is one indication of a claimant's ability to work. If there has been a change in the claimant's physical or mental capacity since his or her last employment, there is a presumption of inability to work which the claimant must overcome by competent evidence. The claimant must show that there is a reasonable likelihood that jobs exist which the claimant is capable of performing before unemployment insurance benefits can be allowed. Pregnancy is treated the same as other physical limitations.

(2) For purposes of determining weekly eligibility for benefits, it is presumed a claimant who is not able to work more than one-half the normal workweek will be considered not able to perform full-time work. The normal workweek means the normal workweek in the claimant's occupation. A claimant will be denied under this section for any week in which the claimant refuses suitable work due to an inability to work, regardless of the length of time the claimant is unable to work.

(a) Past Work History.

Benefits will not be denied solely on the basis of a physical or mental health limitation if the claimant earned base period wages while working with the limitation and is:

(i) willing to accept any work within his or her ability;

(ii) actively seeking work consistent with the limitation; and

(iii) otherwise eligible.

Under these circumstances, the unemployment is considered to be due to a lack of employment opportunities and not due to an inability to work.

(b) Medical Verification.

When an individual has a physical or mental health limitation, medical information from a competent health care provider is one form of evidence used to determine the claimant's ability to work. The provider's opinion is presumed to be an accurate reflection of the claimant's ability to work,

however, the provider's opinion may be overcome by other competent evidence. The Department will determine if medical verification is required.

(3) Temporary Disability.

(a) Employer Attached.

A claimant is not eligible for benefits if the claimant is not able to work at his or her regular job due to a temporary disability and the employer has agreed to allow the claimant to return to the job when he or she is able to work. In this case, the claimant's unemployment is due to an inability to work rather than lack of available work. The claimant is not eligible for benefits even if there is other work the claimant is capable of performing with the disability. If a claimant is precluded from working due to Federal Aviation Administration regulations because of pregnancy, and the employer has agreed to allow the claimant to return to the job, the claimant is considered to be on a medical leave of absence and is not eligible for benefits.

(b) No Employer Attachment.

If the claimant has been separated from employment with no expectation of being allowed to return when he or she is again able to work, or the temporary disability occurred after becoming unemployed, benefits may be allowed even though the claimant cannot work in his or her regular occupation if the claimant can show there is work the claimant is capable of performing and for which the claimant reasonably could be hired. The claimant must also meet other eligibility requirements including making an active work search.

(4) Hospitalization.

A claimant is unable to work if hospitalized unless the hospitalization is on an out-patient basis or the claimant is in a rehabilitation center or care facility and there is independent verification that the claimant is not restricted from immediately working full-time. Immediately following hospitalization, a rebuttable presumption of physical inability continues to exist for the period of time needed for recuperation.

(5) Workers' Compensation.

(a) Compensation for Lost Wages.

A claimant is not eligible for unemployment benefits while receiving temporary total disability workers' compensation benefits.

(b) Subsequent Awards.

The Department may require that a claimant who is receiving permanent partial disability benefits from workers' compensation show that he or she is able and available for full-time work and can reasonably expect to obtain full-time work even with the disability.

(c) Workers' compensation disability payments are not reportable as wages.

(6) Physical or Mental Health Limitation.

(a) A claimant who is not able to work full-time due to a physical or mental health limitation, may be considered eligible under this rule if:

(i) the claimant's base period employment was limited to part-time because of the claimant's physical or mental health limitations;

(ii) the claimant's prior part-time work was substantial. Substantial is defined as at least 50 percent of the hours customarily worked in the claimant's occupation;

(iii) the claimant is able to work at least as many hours as he or she worked prior to becoming unemployed;

(iv) there is work available which the claimant is capable of performing; and

(v) the claimant is making an active work search.

(b) The Department may require that the claimant establish ability by competent evidence.

R994-403-112c. Available.

(1) General Requirement.

The claimant must be available for full-time work. Any restrictions on availability, such as lack of transportation, domestic problems, school attendance, military obligations, church or civic activities, whether self-imposed or beyond the control of the claimant, lessen the claimant's opportunities to obtain suitable full-time work.

(2) Activities Which Affect Availability.

It is not the intent of the act to subsidize activities which interfere with immediate reemployment. A claimant is not considered available for work if the claimant is involved in any activity which cannot be immediately abandoned or interrupted so that the claimant can seek and accept full-time work.

(a) Activities Which May Result in a Denial of Benefits.

For purposes of establishing weekly eligibility for benefits, a claimant who is engaged in an activity for more than half the normal workweek that would prevent the claimant from working, is presumed to be unavailable and therefore ineligible for benefits. The normal workweek means the normal workweek in the claimant's occupation. This presumption can be overcome by a showing that the activity did not preclude the immediate acceptance of full-time work, referrals to work, contacts from the Department, or an active search for work. When a claimant is away from his or her residence but has made arrangements to be contacted and can return quickly enough to respond to any opportunity for work, the presumption of unavailability may be overcome. The conclusion of unavailability can also be overcome in the following circumstances:

(i) Travel Which is Necessary to Seek Work.

(A) Benefits will not be denied if the claimant is required to travel to seek, apply for, or accept work within the United States or in a foreign country where the claimant has authorization to work and where there is a reciprocal agreement. The trip itself must be for the purpose of obtaining work. There is a rebuttable presumption that the claimant is not available for work when the trip is extended to accommodate the claimant's personal needs or interests, and the extension is for more than one-half of the workweek.

(B) Unemployment benefits cannot be paid to a claimant located in a foreign country unless the claimant has authorization to work there and there is a reciprocal agreement concerning the payment of unemployment benefits with that foreign country. An exception to this general rule is that a claimant who travels to a foreign country for the express purpose of applying for employment and is out of the United States for two consecutive weeks or less is eligible for those weeks provided the claimant can prove he or she has a legal right to work in that country. A claimant who is out of the United States for more than two weeks is not eligible for benefits for any of the weeks.

(ii) Definite Offer of Work or Recall.

If the claimant has accepted a definite offer of full-time employment or has a date of recall to begin within three weeks, the claimant does not have to demonstrate further availability and is not required to seek other work. Because the statute requires that a claimant be able to work, if a claimant is unable to work for more than one-half of any week due to illness or hospitalization, benefits will be denied.

(iii) Jury Duty or Court Attendance.

Jury duty or court attendance is a public duty required by law and a claimant will not be denied benefits if he or she is unavailable because of a lawfully issued summons to appear as a witness or to serve on a jury unless the claimant:

(A) is a party to the action;

(B) had employment which he or she was unable to continue or accept because of the court service; or

(C) refused or delayed an offer of suitable employment because of the court service.

The time spent in court service is not a personal service performed under a contract of hire and therefore is not

considered employment.

(b) Activities Which Will Result in a Denial of Benefits.

(i) Refusal of Work.

When a claimant refuses any suitable work, the claimant is considered unavailable. Even though the claimant had valid reasons for not accepting the work, benefits will not be allowed for the week or weeks in which the work was available. Benefits are also denied when a claimant fails to be available for job referrals or a call to return to work under reasonable conditions consistent with a previously established work relationship. This includes referral attempts from a temporary employment service, a school district for substitute teaching, or any other employer for which work is "on-call."

(ii) Failure to Perform All Work During the Week of Separation.

(A) Benefits will be denied for the week in which separation from employment occurs if the claimant's unemployment was caused because the claimant was not able or available to do his or her work. In this circumstance, there is a presumption of continued inability or unavailability and an indefinite disqualification will be assessed until there is proof of a change in the conditions or circumstances.

(B) If the claimant was absent from work during the last week of employment and the claimant was not paid for the day or days of absence, benefits will be denied for that week. The claimant will be denied benefits under this section regardless of the length of the absence.

(3) Hours of Availability.

(a) Full-Time.

Except as provided in R994-403-111c(5), in order to meet the availability requirement, a claimant must be ready and willing to immediately accept full-time work. Full-time work generally means 40 hours a week but may vary due to customary practices in an occupation. If the claimant was last employed less than full-time, there is a rebuttable presumption that the claimant continues to be available for only part-time work.

(b) Other Than Normal Work Hours.

If the claimant worked other than normal work hours and the work schedule was adjusted to accommodate the claimant, the claimant cannot continue to limit his or her hours of availability even if the claimant was working 40 hours or more. The claimant must be available for full-time work during normal work hours as is customary for the industry.

(4) Wage Restrictions.

(a) No claimant will be expected, as a condition of eligibility, to accept a wage that is less than the state or federal minimum wage, whichever is applicable, or a wage that is substantially less favorable to the claimant than prevailing wages for similar work in the locality. Benefits cannot be allowed if the claimant is restricting himself or herself to a wage that is not available.

(b) A claimant must be given a reasonable time to seek work that will preserve his or her earning potential. At the time of filing an initial claim, or at the time of reopening a claim following a period of employment, the claimant may restrict his or her wage requirement to the highest wage earned during or subsequent to the base period and prior to filing the claim or the highest wage available in the locality for the claimant's occupation, whichever is lower, but only if there is a reasonable expectation that work can be obtained at that wage.

(i) After a claimant has received1/3 of the maximum benefit amount (MBA) for his or her regular claim, the claimant must accept any wage that is equal to or greater than the lowest wage earned during the base period, as long as that wage is consistent with the prevailing wage standard.

(ii) After a claimant has received 2/3 of the MBA for his or her regular claim, the claimant must be willing to accept the prevailing wage in the locality for work in any base period occupation.

(c) Exception for Deferred Claimants.

The provisions of this section do not apply to those claimants who qualify for deferrals under Subsection 35A-4-403(1)(b) and R994-403-202 during the period of deferral.

(5) Type of Work.

(a) One of the purposes of the unemployment insurance program is to help a claimant preserve his or her highest skill by providing unemployment benefits so the claimant can find work similar to what the claimant had prior to becoming unemployed. A skill is defined as a marketable ability developed over an extended period of time by training or experience which could be lost if not used. It is not the intent of the program to subsidize individuals who are limiting their availability because of a desire to improve their employment status.

(i) At the time of filing an initial claim or reopening a claim following a period of employment, a claimant may restrict availability to the highest skilled employment performed during or subsequent to the base period provided the claimant has a reasonable expectation of obtaining that type of work. A claimant who is not willing to accept employment consistent with work performed during or subsequent to the base period must show a compelling reason for that restriction in order to be considered available for work.

(ii) After the claimant has received 1/3 of the MBA for his or her regular claim, the claimant must be willing to accept work in any of the occupations in which the claimant worked during the base period.

(iii) After the claimant has received 2/3 of the MBA for his or her regular claim, the claimant must be willing to accept any work that he or she can reasonably perform consistent with the claimant's past experience, training, and skills.

(b) Contract Obligation.

If a claimant is restricted due to a contractual obligation from competing with a former employer or accepting employment in the claimant's regular occupation, the claimant is not eligible for benefits unless the claimant can show that he or she:

(i) is actively seeking work outside the restrictions of the noncompete contract;

(ii) has the skills and/or training necessary to obtain that work; and

(iii) can reasonably expect to obtain that employment.

(6) Employer/Occupational Requirements.

If the claimant does not have the license or special equipment required for the type of work the claimant wants to obtain, the claimant cannot be considered available for work unless the claimant is actively seeking other types of work and has a reasonable expectation of obtaining that work.

(7) Temporary Availability.

When an individual is limited to temporary work because of anticipated military service, school attendance, travel, church service, relocation, a reasonable expectation of recall to a former employer for which the claimant is not in deferral status, or any other anticipated restriction on the claimant's future availability, availability is only established if the claimant is willing to accept and is actively seeking temporary work. The claimant must also show there is a realistic expectation that there is temporary work in the claimant's occupation, otherwise the claimant may be required to accept temporary work in another occupation. Evidence of a genuine desire to obtain temporary work may be shown by registration with and willingness to accept work with temporary employment services.

(8) Distance to Work.

(a) Customary Commuting Patterns.

A claimant must show reasonable access to public or private transportation, and a willingness to commute within customary commuting patterns for the occupation and community.

(b) Removal to a Locality of Limited Work Opportunities.

A claimant who moves from an area where there are substantial work opportunities to an area of limited work opportunities must demonstrate that the new locale has work for which the claimant is qualified and which the claimant is willing to perform. If the work is so limited in the new locale that there is little expectation the claimant will become reemployed, the continued unemployment is the result of the move and not the failure of the labor market to provide employment opportunities. In that case, the claimant is considered to have removed himself or herself from the labor market and is no longer eligible for benefits.

(9) School.

(a) A claimant attending school who has not been granted Department approval for a deferral must still meet all requirements of being able and available for work and be actively seeking work. Areas that need to be examined when making an eligibility determination with respect to a student include reviewing a claimant's work history while attending school, coupled with his or her efforts to secure full-time work. If the hours of school attendance conflict with the claimant's established work schedule or with the customary work schedule for the occupation in which the claimant is seeking work, a rebuttable presumption is established that the claimant is not available for full-time work and benefits will generally be denied. An announced willingness on the part of a claimant to discontinue school attendance or change his or her school schedule, if necessary, to accept work must be weighed against the time already spent in school as well as the financial loss the claimant may incur if he or she were to withdraw.

(b) A presumption of unavailability may also be raised if a claimant moves, for the purpose of attending school, from an area with substantial labor market to a labor market with more limited opportunities. In order to overcome this presumption, the claimant must demonstrate there is full-time work available in the new area which the claimant could reasonably expect to obtain.

(10) Employment of Youth.

Title 34, Chapter 23 of the Utah Code imposes limitations on the number of hours youth under the age of 16 may work. The following limitations do not apply if the individual has received a high school diploma or is married. Claimants under the age of 16 who do not provide proof of meeting one of these exceptions are under the following limitations whether or not in student status because they have a legal obligation to attend school. Youth under the age of 16 may not work:

(a) during school hours except as authorized by the proper school authorities;

(b) before or after school in excess of 4 hours a day;

(c) before 5:00 a.m. or after 9:30 p.m. on days preceding school days;

(d) in excess of 8 hours in any 24-hour period; or

(e) more than 40 hours in any week.

(11) Domestic Obligations.

When a claimant has an obligation to care for children or other dependents, the claimant must show that arrangements for the care of those individuals have been made for all hours that are normally worked in the claimant's occupation and must show a good faith, active work search effort.

R994-403-113c. Work Search.

(1) General Requirements.

A claimant must make an active, good faith effort to secure employment each and every week for which benefits are claimed. Efforts to find work must be judged by the standards of the occupation and the community.

(2) Active.

An active effort to look for work is generally interpreted to mean that each week a claimant should contact a minimum of two employers not previously contacted unless the claimant is otherwise directed by the Department. Those contacts should be made with employers that hire people in the claimant's occupation or occupations for which the claimant has work experience or would otherwise be qualified and willing to accept employment. Failure of a claimant to make at least the minimum number of contacts creates a rebuttable presumption that the claimant is not making an active work search. The claimant may overcome this presumption by showing that he or she has pursued a job development plan likely to result in employment. A claimant's job development activities for a specific week should be considered in relation to the claimant's overall work search efforts and the length of the claimant's unemployment. Creating a job development plan and/or writing resumes may be reasonable and acceptable activities during the first few weeks of a claim, but may be insufficient after the claimant has been unemployed for several weeks.

(3) Good Faith.

Good faith efforts are defined as those methods which a reasonable person, anxious to return to work, would make if desirous of obtaining employment. A good faith effort is not necessarily established simply by making a specific number of contacts to satisfy the Department requirement.

(4) Union Attachment.

(a) Union attachment is sufficient to meet the requirements of an active work search if the claimant is eligible for a deferral as established under Subsection 35A-4-403(1)(b).

(b) If the claimant is not in deferred status because the claimant did not earn at least 50 percent of his or her base period wage credits in employment as a union member, or the deferral has ended, the claimant must meet the requirements of an active, good faith work search by contacting employers in addition to contacts with the union. This work search is required even though unions may have regulations and rules which penalize members for making independent contacts to try to find work or for accepting nonunion employment.

R994-403-114c. Claimant's Obligation to Prove Weekly Eligibility.

The claimant:

(1) has the burden of proving that he or she is able, available, and actively seeking full-time work:

(2) must report any information that might affect eligibility;

(3) must provide any information requested by the Department which is required to establish eligibility; and

(4) must keep a detailed record of the employers contacted, as well as other activities that are likely to result in employment for each week benefits are claimed.

R994-403-115c. Period of Ineligibility.

(1) Eligibility for benefits is established on a weekly basis. If the Department has determined that the claimant is not able or available for work, and it appears the circumstances will likely continue, an indefinite disqualification will be assessed, and the claimant must requalify by showing that he or she is able and available for work.

(2) If the Department has reason to believe a claimant has not made a good faith effort to seek work, or the Department is performing a routine audit of a claim, the Department can only require that the claimant provide proof of work search activities for the four weeks immediately preceding the Department's request. However, if the claimant admits he or she did not complete the work search activities required under this rule, the Department can disqualify a claimant for more than four weeks.

(3) The claimant will be disqualified for all weeks in which it is discovered that the claimant was not able or available to accept work without regard to the four-week limitation.

R994-403-116e. Eligibility Determinations: Obligation to

Provide Information.

(1) The Department cannot make proper determinations regarding eligibility unless the claimant and the employer provide correct information in a timely manner. Claimants and employers therefore have a continuing obligation to provide any and all information and verification which may affect eligibility.

(2) Providing incomplete or incorrect information will be treated the same as a failure to provide information if the incorrect or insufficient information results in an improper decision with regard to the claimant's eligibility.

R994-403-117e. Claimant's Responsibility.

(1) The claimant must provide all of the following:

(a) his or her correct name, social security number, citizenship or alien status, address and date of birth;

(b) the correct business name and address for each base period employer and for each employer subsequent to the base period;

(c) information necessary to determine eligibility or continuing eligibility as requested on the initial claim form, or on any other Department form including work search information. This includes information requested through the use of an interactive voice response system or the Internet;

(d) the reasons for the job separation from base period and subsequent employers when filing a new claim, requalifying for a claim, or any time the claimant is separated from employment during the benefit year. The Department may require a complete statement of the circumstances precipitating the separation; and

(e) any other information requested by the Department. This includes requests for documentary evidence, written statements, or oral requests. Claimants are required to return telephone calls when requested to do so by Department employees.

(2) Claimants are also required to report, at the time and place designated, for an in-person interview with a Department representative if so requested.

(3) By filing a claim for benefits, the claimant has given consent to the employer to release to the Department all information necessary to determine eligibility even if the information is confidential.

R994-403-118e. Disqualification Periods if a Claimant Fails to Provide Information.

(1) A claimant is not eligible for benefits if the Department does not have sufficient information to determine eligibility. A claimant who fails to provide necessary information without good cause is disqualified from the receipt of unemployment benefits until the information is received by the Department.

(2) If insufficient or incorrect information is provided when the initial claim is filed, the disqualification will begin with the effective date of the claim.

(3) If a potentially disqualifying issue is identified as part of the weekly certification process and the claimant fails to provide the information requested by the Department, the disqualification will begin with the Sunday of the week for which eligibility could not be determined.

(4) If insufficient or incorrect information is provided as part of a review of payments already made, the disqualification will begin with the week in which the response to the Department's request for information is due.

(5) The disqualification will continue through the Saturday prior to the week in which the claimant provides the information.

R994-403-119e. Overpayments Resulting from a Failure to Provide Information.

(1) Any overpayment resulting from the claimant's failure to provide information, or based on incorrect information provided by the claimant, will be assessed as a fault overpayment in accordance with Subsection 35A-4-406(4) or as a fraud overpayment in accordance with Subsection 35A-4-405(5).

(2) Any overpayment resulting from the employer's failure to provide information will be assessed as a nonfault overpayment in accordance with Subsection 35A-4-406(5).

(3) If more than one party was at fault in the creation of an overpayment, the overpayment will be assessed as:

(a) a fraud or fault overpayment if the claimant was more at fault than the other parties; or

(b) a nonfault overpayment if the employer and/or the Department was more at fault, or if the parties were equally at fault.

R994-403-120e. Employer's Responsibility.

Employers must provide wage, employment, and separation information and complete all forms and reports as requested by the Department. The employer also must return telephone calls from Department employees in a timely manner and answer all questions regarding wages, employment, and separations.

R994-403-121e. Penalty for the Employer's Failure to Comply.

(1) A claimant has the right to have a claim for benefits resolved quickly and accurately. An employer's failure to provide information in a timely manner results in additional expense and unnecessary delay.

(2) If an employer fails to provide information in a timely manner without good cause, the ALJ will determine on appeal that the employer has relinquished its rights with regard to the affected claim and is no longer a party in interest. The employer's appeal will be dismissed and the employer is liable for benefits paid.

(3) The ALJ may, in his or her discretion, choose to exercise continuing jurisdiction with respect to the case and subpoena or call the employer and claimant as witnesses to determine the claimant's eligibility. If, after reaching the merits, the ALJ determines to reverse the initial decision and deny benefits, the employer is not eligible for relief of charges resulting from benefits overpaid to the claimant prior to the date of the ALJ's decision.

(4) In determining whether to exercise discretion and reach the merits, the ALJ may take into consideration:

(a) the flagrancy of the refusal or failure to provide complete and accurate information. An employer's refusal to provide information at the time of the initial Department determination on the grounds that it wants to wait and present its case before an ALJ, for instance, will be subject to the most severe penalty;

(b) whether or not the employer has failed to provide complete and accurate information in the past or on more than one case; and

(c) whether the employer is represented by counsel or a professional representative. Counsel and professional representatives are responsible for knowing Department rules and are therefore held to a higher standard.

R994-403-122e. Good Cause for Failure to Comply.

If the employer or claimant has good cause for failing to provide the information in the time frame requested, no disqualification or penalty will be assessed. Good cause, as it applies to this section of the rule, may be established if the claimant or employer:

(1) made reasonable attempts to provide the information within the time frame requested, or

(2) was prevented from complying due to circumstances which were compelling or beyond their control.

R994-403-123. Obligation of Department Employees.

Employees of the Department are obligated, regardless of when the information is discovered, to bring to the attention of the proper Department representatives any information that may affect a claimant's eligibility for unemployment insurance benefits or information affecting the employer's contributions.

R994-403-201. Department Approval for School Attendance - General Definition.

(1) Unemployment insurance is not intended to subsidize schooling. However, it is recognized that training may be a practical way to reduce chronic and persistent unemployment due to a lack of work skills, job obsolescence or foreign competition. Even though the claimant is granted Department approval, the claimant must still be able to work. With Department approval, a claimant meets the availability requirement based on his or her school attendance and successful performance. With the exception of very short-term training, Department approval is intended for classroom training as opposed to on-the-job training. Department approval is to be used selectively and judiciously. It is not to be used as a substitute for selective placement, job development, on-the-job training, or other available programs.

(2) If a claimant is ineligible under 35A-4-403(1)(c) due to school attendance, Department approval will be considered.

(3) Department approval will be granted when required by state or federal law for specific training programs.

R994-403-202. Qualifying Elements for Approval of Training.

All of the following nine elements must be satisfied for a claimant to qualify for Department approval of training. Some of these elements will be waived or modified when required by state or federal law for specific training programs.

(1) The claimant's unemployment is chronic or persistent, or likely to be chronic or persistent, due to any one of the following three circumstances:

(a) A lack of basic work skills. A lack of basic work skills may not be established unless a claimant:

(i)(A) has a history of repeated unemployment attributable to lack of skills and has no recent history of employment earning a wage substantially above the federal minimum wage or

(B) qualifies for Department sponsored training because the claimant meets the eligibility requirements for public assistance;

(ii) has had no formal training in occupational skills;

(iii) does not have skills developed over an extended period of time by training or experience; and

(iv) does not have a marketable degree from an institution of higher learning; or

(b) a change in the marketability of the claimant's skills has resulted due to new technology, or major reductions within an industry; or

(c) inability to continue working in occupations using the claimant's skills due to a verifiable, permanent physical or emotional disability,

(2) a claimant must have a reasonable expectation for success as demonstrated by:

(a) an aptitude for and interest in the work the claimant is being trained to perform, or course of study the claimant is pursuing; and

(b) sufficient time and financial resources to complete the training.

(3) The training is provided by an institution approved by the Department.

(4) The training is not available except in school. For example, on-the-job training is not available to the claimant.

(5) The length of time required to complete the training should generally not extend beyond 18 months.

(6) The training should generally be vocationally oriented unless the claimant has no more than two terms, quarters, semesters, or similar periods of academic training necessary to obtain a degree.

(7) There is a reasonable expectation of employment following completion of the training. Reasonable expectation means the claimant will find a job using the skills and education acquired while in training pursuant to a fair and objective projection of job market conditions expected to exist at the time of completion of the training.

(8) A claimant did not leave work to attend school even if the employer required the training for advancement or as a condition of continuing employment.

(9) The schooling is full-time, as defined by the training facility.

R994-403-203. Extensions of Department Approval.

Initial approval shall be granted, for the school term beginning with the week in which the attendance began, or the effective date of the claim, whichever is later. The Department may extend the approval if the claimant establishes proof of:

(1) satisfactory attendance;

(2) passing grades;

(3) continuance of the same course of study and classes originally approved; and

(4) compliance with all other qualifying elements.

R994-403-204. Availability Requirements When Approval is Granted.

(1) If Department approval is granted, the claimant will be placed in deferred status once the training begins and will not be required to register for work or to seek and accept work. The deferral also applies to break periods between successive terms as long as the break period is four weeks or less. A claimant must make a work search prior to the onset of training, even if the claimant has been advised that the training has been approved. Benefits will not be denied when work is refused as satisfactory attendance and progress in school serves as a substitute for the availability requirements of the act.

(2) Absences from school will not necessarily result in a denial of benefits during those weeks the claimant can demonstrate he or she is making up any missed school work and is still making satisfactory progress in school. Satisfactory progress is defined as passing all classes with a grade level sufficient to qualify for graduation, licensing, or certification, as appropriate.

(3) A disqualification will be effective with the week the claimant knew or should have known he or she was not going to receive a passing grade in any of his or her classes or was otherwise not making satisfactory progress in school. It is the claimant's responsibility to immediately report any information that may indicate a failure to maintain satisfactory progress.

(4) The claimant must attend school full-time as defined by the educational institution. If a claimant discontinues school attendance, drops or changes any classes before the end of the term, Department approval may be terminated immediately. However, discontinuing a class that does not reduce the school credits below full-time status will not result in the termination of Department approval. Department approval may be reinstated during any week a claimant demonstrates, through appropriate verification, the claimant is again attending class regularly and making satisfactory progress.

(5) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this section, if the claimant was absent from school for more than one-half of the workweek due to illness or hospitalization, the claimant is considered to be unable to work and unemployment benefits will be denied for that week. A claimant has the responsibility to report any sickness, injury, or other circumstances that prevented him or her from attending school.

(6) A claimant is ineligible for Department approval if the claimant is retaking a class that was originally taken while receiving benefits under Department approval. However, if Department approval was denied during the time the course was originally in progress, approval may be reinstated to cover that portion of the course not previously subsidized if the claimant can demonstrate satisfactory progress.

R994-403-205. Short-Term Training.

Department approval may be granted even though a claimant has marketable skills and does not meet the requirements for Department approval as defined in R994-403-202 if the entire course of training is no longer than eight weeks and will enhance the claimant's employment prospects. A claimant will not be granted a waiver for training that is longer than eight weeks even if the claimant needs only eight weeks or less to complete the training. This is intended as a one-time approval per benefit year and may not be extended beyond eight weeks.

R994-403-301. Requirements for Special Benefits.

Some benefit programs, including Extended Benefits, have different availability and work search requirements. The rule governing work search for Extended Benefits is R994-402. Other special programs are governed by the act or federal law.

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R994. Workforce Services, Unemployment Insurance.
R994-404. Payments Following Workers' Compensation.
R994-404-101. Claimants Who Qualify for an Adjustment to the Base Period.

(1) A claimant who was off work due to a work related illness or injury may qualify for an adjusted base period if all of the following elements are satisfied:

(a) the claimant must have received temporary total disability (TTD) compensation for the illness or injury under the workers' compensation or occupational disease laws of this state or under federal law;

(b) the claimant must have received TTD for at least seven full weeks during the normal base period. The weeks need not be consecutive;

(c) the initial claim for unemployment insurance benefits must have been filed no later than 90 calendar days after the claimant was released by his or her health care provider to return to full-time work. This does not include release to limited or light duty work. The effective date of the eligible claim must be within the 90 days regardless of the date on which the claimant contacts the Department to file a claim. For example, if the 90th day falls on Wednesday and the claimant files a claim on Thursday, the effective date of the claim would be Sunday of that calendar week and would fall within the 90 day time limitation;

(d) the initial claim for unemployment insurance benefits must have been filed within 36 months of the week the covered injury or illness occurred. The covered injury can be the initial injury or an event such as a re-injury that caused the claimant to go back on TTD.

(2) Wages previously used to establish a benefit year cannot be re-used.

R994-404-102. Good Cause for Late Filing.

(1) Good cause for not filing within the 90 day period can be established if:

(a) the claimant contested the release to work date by filing for a hearing with the appropriate administrative agency and there was no substantial delay between the date of the decision of the agency and the filing of the claim;

(b) the delay in filing was due to circumstances beyond the claimant's control;

(c) the claimant delayed filing due to circumstances which were compelling and reasonable; or

(d) the claimant returned to work immediately after receiving a release from his health care provider and there was no substantial delay between the time the employment ended and the filing of the claim.

(2) A lack of knowledge about the wage freeze provisions due to the claimant's failure to inquire or the employer's failure to provide information does not establish good cause for failure to file within the 90 day period.

R994-404-103. The Effective Date of the Claim.

The effective date of the claim for benefits shall be the Sunday of the week in which the claimant makes application for benefits. Although the Act provides for the use of an alternate benefit year, it does not extend coverage to the weeks that were not filed timely in accordance with provisions of Subsection 35A-4-403(1)(a).

R994-404-104. Adjustment of the Base Period.

The claimant can file a claim using wages paid during the first four of the last five completed calendar quarters immediately preceding the week the claim was filed (normal base period) or the first four of the last five completed calendar quarters prior to the date the claimant left work due to the illness or injury.

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