

Connecticut Department of Energy & Environmental Protection

Bureau of Air Management Engineering & Enforcement Division

Public Act No. 13-120 – An Act Concerning Gasoline Vapor Recovery Systems Fact Sheet

Regulation Public Act No. 13-120

Effective Date June 18, 2013

What it Means Public Act No. 13-120 repealed the previous version of Connecticut General Statute

Section 22a-174e, which required the Connecticut Department of Energy &

Environmental Protection (DEEP) to adopt regulations pertaining to the installation and testing of Stage II vapor recovery systems, and replaced it with language that mandates

the decommissioning of all Stage II systems by July 1, 2015.

Overview Immediate implications

On or after June 18, 2013, no owner of any Gasoline Dispensing Facility (GDF) shall install a Stage II vapor recovery system.

The owner of any GDF with a Stage I vapor recovery system shall perform a pressure decay test of such system annually. Annually means the test has to be conducted once per calendar year. The Act also requires a Decay test to be conducted this year, 2013. Testing done for decommissioning purposes or for a Stage II test will satisfy the annual testing requirement for that year.

On or before July 1, 2015, the owner of any GDF shall decommission any installed Stage II vapor recovery equipment.

Act Requirements

Decommissioning

Must be completed on or before July 1, 2015 and it must be in accordance with subsection (c) of the Act, which requires:

- The owner shall notify the commissioner of their intent to decommission at least 30 days prior to decommissioning on a form provided by the commissioner
- Perform decommissioning in accordance with Section 14 of the 2009
 "Recommended Practices for Installation and Testing of Vapor Recovery
 Systems at Vehicle Refueling Sites" of the Petroleum Equipment Institute
 Document (PEI/RP 300-09)
- Complete decommissioning within 100 days from initiation, unless the commissioner grants an extension of time for good cause
- Conduct testing as required in sections 14 (Decommissioning) and 8 (Decay
 Test) of the PEI/RP 300-09 document, and submit testing notification 7 business
 days prior to the test on a form provided by the commissioner, and
- Submit a final Decommissioning Report within 10 days of the testing date, on a form provided by the commissioner



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Annual Testing

- The owner of any GDF with a Stage I vapor recovery system shall perform an annual pressure decay test of such system.
- The DEEP must be notified at least 7 business days prior to a scheduled test on a form provided by the commissioner

GDF Obligations

Operate and Maintain

GDF owners that currently have Stage II systems installed must continue to <u>maintain</u> <u>and operate</u> the Stage II systems in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations, CARB, any federal requirements, and/or section 30, unless they initiate the decommissioning process prescribed in the public act.

Stage II Testing

Owners of GDF's that currently are due for Stage II testing or will be prior to July 1, 2015 must still perform testing unless the owners initiate the decommissioning process prescribed in the Act, prior to their testing date.

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This overview is designed to answer general questions and provide basic information. You should refer to the appropriate Public Act for the specific regulatory language.