

ILLINOIS SMALL BUSINESS ENVIRONMENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

**Confused by
Environmental
Regulations?**

For FREE, confidential help, contact
**Illinois Small Business
Environmental Assistance Program**
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SECTION 507 FEDERAL MANDATE

- ✓ Congress recognized that small businesses lacked resources and needed help to understand and comply with complex environmental regulations.
- ✓ Section 507 of the 1990 Clean Air Act (CAA) Amendments requires states and territories to set up programs to help small businesses





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**SMALL BUSINESS
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ASSISTANCE
PROGRAM**

Serving Small Businesses and the Environment

3 MANDATED COMPONENTS UNDER SECTION 507 OF THE CAA

Technical Assistance Program

Ombudsman

VACANT

Compliance Advisory Panel



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Small Business Environmental Assistance Program

- Technical Assistance Component
- Located in the business assistance agency, our mission is to help you succeed
- Free and confidential

The Goal:

Reduce the regulatory burden on small businesses while protecting the environment through education & compliance assistance.

ILLINOIS COMPLIANCE ADVISORY PANEL APPOINTEES



Mark Grant
State Director
NFIB of IL



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Representative
Former Chair,
Environmental
Health
Committee
Illinois House of
Representatives

1 VACANCY

*Bureau of Air Chief, Julie Armitage serves as
the IEPA representative

ILLINOIS COMPLIANCE ADVISORY PANEL ROLE

- ✓ Render advisory opinions on the effectiveness of SBEAP and difficulties encountered by small businesses
- ✓ Review materials, regulations, and legislation to ensure they are understandable to small businesses
- ✓ Identify issues of concern to small businesses
- ✓ Advocate for small businesses with legislators and senior state agency management

*Staff support provided by the
DCFO SBEAP

WHY IS SMALL BUSINESS ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE ASSISTANCE IMPORTANT?



- **46%** of Illinoisans are employed by small businesses (2.5 million)
- **80%** of net new job growth & capital investment comes from Illinois' existing businesses.
- **Costs per employee** of environmental regulations are more than **4 times higher in small firms** than in large firms

WHO DO WE HELP?

- ✓ **Thousands** of small businesses subject to National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (**NESHAP**)
- ✓ **Roughly 80% Air permitted or registered** sources are **small businesses** (area sources)
- ✓ **4000+** small businesses are registered under the IEPA's Registration of Smaller Sources (ROSS) Program
- ✓ **Small Businesses** impacted by **other state and federal air regulations**

COMPLIANCE ASSISTANCE TOOLS

- Toll-free helpline: **800-252-3998**
- Environmental [recordkeeping tools](#)
- Easy to understand [publications & factsheets](#)
- Educational Seminars/Workshops
- One-on-one technical assistance
- Facilitated meetings with the regulatory agency

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ROSS FACTSHEETS

Aggregate Facilities Registration of Smaller Sources (ROSS) Program Guide



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- 30 C.F.R. 112.170(a) of existing air emissions.
- 30 C.F.R. 112.170(b) of new air emissions.
- The rule includes emissions from units that are exempt from the permitting requirements as found in 30 C.F.R. 112.170(a) of existing air emissions.
- 30 C.F.R. 112.170(b) of new air emissions.

How do I determine if I must register with the Agency under the Registration of Smaller Sources Program?

Sources meeting the following criteria must register:

- Not required to get a Title V or Clean Air Permit Program (CAPP) permit.
- Not required to get a State Air Quality Permit (SAQP) or a State Air Quality Permit (SAQP).
- Not required to get a permit under the New Source Performance Standards (NSPS) or under the National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAP) or by LUSTRA.
- Actual emissions from the source's aggregate units are less than the following limits for the prior calendar year:
 - 0.05 Tons/y of combined pollutants (particulate matter, carbon monoxide, nitrogen oxides, sulfur dioxide and volatile organic matter).
 - 0.05 Tons/y of combined hazardous air pollutants (HAPs).

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Example Common Industry Assistance

- **PORTABLE CRUSHERS**
- **ROSS & PERMIT ELIGIBILITY & COMPLIANCE**
- **FUGITIVE PARTICULATE OPERATING PLAN (FPOP)**
- **RECIPROCATING INTERNAL COMBUSTION ENGINES (RICE NESHAP)**

Entrepreneurship, Innovation & Technology

Convening public and private interests to support and grow Illinois' small businesses and innovation economy.

Illinois First Stop Business Information Center (First Stop) provides a central point of contact regarding state regulations and assistance programs for operating or starting a small business.

Illinois Small Business Development Centers (SBDC) provide confidential professional business guidance, training and other resources to start-up and existing small businesses at locations around the state.

Illinois SBDC International Trade Centers provide assistance with international trade and exporting.

Illinois Procurement Technical Assistance Centers provides assistance entering the world of government contracting.

Illinois Regulatory Flexibility Program provides small businesses a voice in the state rulemaking process to help minimize the negative impacts.

Illinois Small Business Environmental Assistance Program provides free confidential regulatory assistance for environmental compliance.



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