SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 4617

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled
"Natural resources and environmental protection act,"
by amending sections 20101, 20117, and 20120a (MCL 324.20101,
324.20117, and 324.20120a), section 20101 as amended by 1996 PA 383
and section 20117 as amended and section 20120a as added by 1995 PA
71, and by adding section 20105b.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 20101. (1) As used in this part:
- 2 (a) "Act of God" means an unanticipated grave natural disaster
- 3 or other natural phenomenon of an exceptional, inevitable, and
- 4 irresistible character, the effects of which could not have been
- 5 prevented or avoided by the exercise of due care or foresight.
- 6 (b) "Agricultural property" means real property used for
- 7 farming in any of its branches, including cultivating of soil;
- 8 growing and harvesting of any agricultural, horticultural, or

- 1 floricultural commodity; dairying; raising of livestock, bees,
- 2 fish, fur-bearing animals, or poultry; turf and tree farming; and
- 3 performing any practices on a farm as an incident to, or in
- 4 conjunction with, these farming operations. Agricultural property
- 5 does not include property used for commercial storage, processing,
- 6 distribution, marketing, or shipping operations.
- 7 (c) "Attorney general" means the department of the attorney
- 8 general.
- 9 (d) "Baseline environmental assessment" means an evaluation of
- 10 environmental conditions which exist at a facility at the time of
- 11 purchase, occupancy, or foreclosure that reasonably defines the
- 12 existing conditions and circumstance at the facility so that, in
- 13 the event of a subsequent release, there is a means of
- 14 distinguishing the new release from existing contamination.
- 15 (e) "Board" means the brownfield redevelopment board created
- 16 in section 20104a.
- 17 (f) "Department" means the director of the department of
- 18 environmental quality or his or her designee to whom the director
- 19 delegates a power or duty by written instrument.
- 20 (g) "Director" means the director of the department of
- 21 environmental quality.
- (h) "Directors" means the directors or their designees of the
- 23 departments of environmental quality, community health,
- 24 agriculture, and state police.
- 25 (i) "Disposal" means the discharge, deposit, injection,
- 26 dumping, spilling, leaking, or placing of any hazardous substance
- 27 into or on any land or water so that the hazardous substance or any

1 constituent of the hazardous substance may enter the environment or

- 2 be emitted into the air or discharged into any groundwater or
- 3 surface water.
- 4 (j) "Enforcement costs" means court expenses, reasonable
- 5 attorney fees of the attorney general, and other reasonable
- 6 expenses of an executive department that are incurred in relation
- 7 to enforcement under this part or rules promulgated under this
- 8 part, or both.
- 9 (k) "Environment" or "natural resources" means land, surface
- 10 water, groundwater, subsurface strata, air, fish, wildlife, or
- 11 biota within the state.
- 12 (l) "Environmental contamination" means the release of a
- 13 hazardous substance, or the potential release of a discarded
- 14 hazardous substance, in a quantity which is or may become injurious
- 15 to the environment or to the public health, safety, or welfare.
- 16 (m) "Evaluation" means those activities including, but not
- 17 limited to, investigation, studies, sampling, analysis, development
- 18 of feasibility studies, and administrative efforts that are needed
- 19 to determine the nature, extent, and impact of a release or threat
- 20 of release and necessary response activities.
- 21 (n) "Exacerbation" means the occurrence of either of the
- 22 following caused by an activity undertaken by the person who owns
- 23 or operates the property, with respect to existing contamination:
- 24 (i) Contamination that has migrated beyond the boundaries of
- 25 the property which is the source of the release at levels above
- 26 cleanup criteria specified in section 20120a(1)(a) unless a
- 27 criterion is not relevant because exposure is reliably restricted

- 1 pursuant to section 20120b.
- 2 (ii) A change in facility conditions that increases response
- 3 activity costs.
- 4 (o) "Facility" means any area, place, or A PARCEL OF
- 5 property OR A PORTION OF A PARCEL OF PROPERTY where a hazardous
- 6 substance in excess of the concentrations which satisfy the
- 7 requirements of section 20120a(1)(a) or (17) or the cleanup
- 8 criteria for unrestricted residential use under part 213 has been
- 9 released, deposited, disposed of, or otherwise comes to be located
- 10 AS DETERMINED BY TESTING CONDUCTED ACCORDING TO SCIENTIFICALLY
- 11 ACCEPTED METHODS ON SOIL OR WATER SAMPLES, OR BOTH, COLLECTED FROM
- 12 THE PARCEL OR PORTION OF THE PARCEL. IN THE ABSENCE OF TESTING, A
- 13 PARCEL OF PROPERTY MAY BE CONSIDERED A FACILITY IF THE OWNER OF THE
- 14 PROPERTY AGREES TO THE DESIGNATION IN WRITING BASED UPON THE
- 15 PRESENCE OF HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES IN THE VICINITY OF THE PROPERTY AS
- 16 PROVIDED IN SECTION 20105B. Facility does not include any area,
- 17 place, or EITHER OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 18 (i) A PARCEL OF PROPERTY OR A PORTION OF A PARCEL OF property
- 19 at which response activities have been completed which satisfy the
- 20 cleanup criteria for the residential category provided for in
- 21 section 20120a(1)(a) and (17) or at which corrective action has
- 22 been completed under part 213 which satisfies the cleanup criteria
- 23 for unrestricted residential use.
- 24 (ii) A REMEDIATED SITE.
- (p) "Feasibility study" means a process for developing,
- 26 evaluating, and selecting appropriate response activities.
- 27 (q) "Foreclosure" means possession of a property by a lender

- 1 on which it has foreclosed on a security interest or the expiration
- 2 of a lawful redemption period, whichever occurs first.
- 4 phase equal to or greater than 1/8 inch of measurable thickness
- 5 that is not dissolved in water and that has been released into the
- 6 environment.
- 7 (s) "Fund" means the cleanup and redevelopment fund
- 8 established in section 20108.
- 9 (t) "Hazardous substance" means 1 or more of the following,
- 10 but does not include fruit, vegetable, or field crop residuals or
- 11 processing by-products, or aquatic plants, that are applied to the
- 12 land for an agricultural use or for use as an animal feed, if the
- 13 use is consistent with generally accepted agricultural management
- 14 practices developed pursuant to the Michigan right to farm act,
- 15 Act No. 93 of the Public Acts of 1981, being sections 286.471 to
- 16 286.474 of the Michigan Compiled Laws 1981 PA 93, MCL 286.471 TO
- 17 286.474:
- (i) Any substance that the department demonstrates, on a case
- 19 by case basis, poses an unacceptable risk to the public health,
- 20 safety, or welfare, or the environment, considering the fate of the
- 21 material, dose-response, toxicity, or adverse impact on natural
- 22 resources.
- (ii) Hazardous substance as defined in the comprehensive
- 24 environmental response, compensation, and liability act of 1980,
- 25 Public Law 96-510, 94 Stat. 2767 42 USC 9601 TO 9675.
- 26 (iii) Hazardous waste as defined in part 111.
- (iv) Petroleum as described in part 213.

- 1 (U) "HOMESTEAD" MEANS A PRINCIPAL RESIDENCE THAT IS EXEMPT
- 2 FROM TAXATION UNDER SECTION 7CC OF THE GENERAL PROPERTY TAX ACT,
- 3 1893 PA 206, MCL 211.7CC.
- 4 (V) -(u) "Interim response activity" means the cleanup or
- 5 removal of a released hazardous substance or the taking of other
- 6 actions, prior to the implementation of a remedial action, as may
- 7 be necessary to prevent, minimize, or mitigate injury to the public
- 8 health, safety, or welfare, or to the environment. Interim response
- 9 activity also includes, but is not limited to, measures to limit
- 10 access, replacement of water supplies, and temporary relocation of
- 11 people as determined to be necessary by the department. In
- 12 addition, interim response activity means the taking of other
- 13 actions as may be necessary to prevent, minimize, or mitigate a
- 14 threatened release.
- 15 (W) -(v) "Lender" means any of the following:
- 16 (i) A state or nationally chartered bank.
- (ii) A state or federally chartered savings and loan
- 18 association or savings bank.
- 19 (iii) A state or federally chartered credit union.
- (iv) Any other state or federally chartered lending institution
- 21 or regulated affiliate or regulated subsidiary of any entity listed
- 22 in this subparagraph or subparagraphs (i) to (iii).
- 23 (v) An insurance company authorized to do business in this
- 24 state pursuant to the insurance code of 1956, Act No. 218 of the
- 25 Public Acts of 1956, being sections 500.100 to 500.8302 of the
- 26 Michigan Compiled Laws 1956 PA 218, MCL 500.100 TO 500.8302.
- (vi) A motor vehicle finance company subject to the motor

- 1 vehicle finance act, Act No. 27 of the Extra Session of 1950,
- 2 being sections 492.101 to 492.141 of the Michigan Compiled Laws
- 3 1950 (EX SESS) PA 27, MCL 492.101 TO 492.141, with net assets in
- 4 excess of \$50,000,000.00.
- (vii) A foreign bank.
- 6 (viii) A retirement fund regulated pursuant to state law or a
- 7 pension fund regulated pursuant to federal law with net assets in
- 8 excess of \$50,000,000.00.
- $\mathbf{9}$ (ix) A state or federal agency authorized by law to hold a
- 10 security interest in real property or a local unit of government
- 11 holding a reversionary interest in real property.
- (x) A nonprofit tax exempt organization created to promote
- 13 economic development in which a majority of the organization's
- 14 assets are held by a local unit of government.
- (xi) Any other person who loans money for the purchase of or
- improvement of real property.
- 17 (xii) Any person who retains or receives a security interest to
- 18 service a debt or to secure a performance obligation.
- 19 (X) $\frac{(w)}{(w)}$ "Local health department" means that term as defined
- 20 in section 1105 of the public health code, Act No. 368 of the
- 21 Public Acts of 1978, being section 333.1105 of the Michigan
- 22 Compiled Laws 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.1105.
- (Y) $\frac{(x)}{(x)}$ "Local unit of government" means a county, city,
- 24 township, or village, an agency of a local unit of government, an
- 25 authority or any other public body or entity created by or pursuant
- 26 to state law. Local unit of government does not include the state
- 27 or federal government or a state or federal agency.

- 1 (Z) $\frac{(y)}{(y)}$ "Operator" means a person who is in control of or
- 2 responsible for the operation of a facility. Operator does not
- 3 include either of the following:
- 4 (i) A person who holds indicia of ownership primarily to
- 5 protect the person's security interest in the facility, unless that
- 6 person participates in the management of the facility as described
- 7 in section 20101a.
- (ii) A person who is acting as a fiduciary in compliance with
- 9 section 20101b.
- 10 (AA) -(z) "Owner" means a person who owns a facility. Owner
- 11 does not include either of the following:
- (i) A person who holds indicia of ownership primarily to
- 13 protect the person's security interest in the facility, including,
- 14 but not limited to, a vendor's interest under a recorded land
- 15 contract, unless that person participates in the management of the
- 16 facility as described in section 20101a.
- 17 (ii) A person who is acting as a fiduciary in compliance with
- **18** section 20101b.
- 19 (BB) (aa) "Permitted release" means 1 or more of the
- 20 following:
- 21 (i) A release in compliance with an applicable, legally
- 22 enforceable permit issued under state law.
- 23 (ii) A lawful and authorized discharge into a permitted waste
- 24 treatment facility.
- 25 (iii) A federally permitted release as defined in the
- 26 comprehensive environmental response, compensation, and liability
- 27 act of 1980, Public Law 96-510, 94 Stat. 2767 42 USC 9601 TO

- 1 9675.
- 2 (CC) (bb) "Release" includes, but is not limited to, any

- 3 spilling, leaking, pumping, pouring, emitting, emptying,
- 4 discharging, injecting, escaping, leaching, dumping, or disposing
- 5 of a hazardous substance into the environment, or the abandonment
- 6 or discarding of barrels, containers, and other closed receptacles
- 7 containing a hazardous substance. Release does not include any of
- 8 the following:
- 9 (i) A release that results in exposure to persons solely within
- 10 a workplace, with respect to a claim that these persons may assert
- 11 against their employers.
- (ii) Emissions from the engine exhaust of a motor vehicle,
- 13 rolling stock, aircraft, or vessel.
- 14 (iii) A release of source, by-product, or special nuclear
- 15 material from a nuclear incident, as those terms are defined in
- 16 the atomic energy act of 1954, chapter 1073, 68 Stat. 919 42 USC
- 17 2014, if the release is subject to requirements with respect to
- 18 financial protection established by the nuclear regulatory
- 19 commission under section 170 of chapter 14 of title I of the
- 20 atomic energy act of 1954, chapter 1073, 71 Stat. 576, 42 U.S.C.
- 21 USC 2210, or any release of source by-product or special nuclear
- 22 material from any processing site designated under section
- 23 102(a)(1) of title I or 302(a) of title III of the uranium mill
- 24 tailings radiation control act of 1978, Public Law 95-604, 42
- 25 U.S.C. USC 7912 and OR 42 USC 7942.
- 26 (iv) If applied according to label directions and according to
- 27 generally accepted agricultural and management practices, the

- 1 application of a fertilizer, soil conditioner, agronomically
- 2 applied manure, or pesticide, or fruit, vegetable, or field crop
- 3 residuals or processing by-products, aquatic plants, or a
- 4 combination of these substances. As used in this subparagraph,
- 5 fertilizer and soil conditioner have the meaning given to these
- 6 terms in part 85, and pesticide has the meaning given to that term
- 7 in part 83.
- 8 (v) A release does not include fruits, vegetables, field crop
- 9 processing by-products, or aquatic plants, that are applied to the
- 10 land for an agricultural use or for use as an animal feed, if the
- 11 use is consistent with generally accepted agricultural and
- 12 management practices developed pursuant to the Michigan right to
- 13 farm act, Act No. 93 of the Public Acts of 1981, being sections
- 14 286.471 to 286.474 of the Michigan Compiled Laws 1981 PA 93, MCL
- 15 286.471 TO 286.474.
- 16 (DD) -(cc) "Remedial action" includes, but is not limited to,
- 17 cleanup, removal, containment, isolation, destruction, or treatment
- 18 of a hazardous substance released or threatened to be released into
- 19 the environment, monitoring, maintenance, or the taking of other
- 20 actions that may be necessary to prevent, minimize, or mitigate
- 21 injury to the public health, safety, or welfare, or to the
- 22 environment.
- 23 (EE) (dd)— "Remedial action plan" means a work plan for
- 24 performing remedial action under this part.
- 25 (FF) "REMEDIATED SITE" MEANS A PARCEL OF PROPERTY OR A PORTION
- 26 OF A PARCEL OF PROPERTY AT WHICH ALL RESPONSE ACTIVITIES REQUIRED
- 27 BY THE DEPARTMENT TO MEET APPLICABLE CLOSURE STANDARDS HAVE BEEN

1 COMPLETED.

- 2 (GG) -(ee) "Response activity" means evaluation, interim
- 3 response activity, remedial action, demolition, or the taking of

- 4 other actions necessary to protect the public health, safety, or
- 5 welfare, or the environment or the natural resources. Response
- 6 activity also includes health assessments or health effect studies
- 7 carried out under the supervision, or with the approval of, the
- 8 department of public health and enforcement actions related to any
- 9 response activity.
- 10 (HH) -(ff) "Response activity costs" or "costs of response
- 11 activity" means all costs incurred in taking or conducting a
- 12 response activity, including enforcement costs.
- 13 (II) (gg) "Security interest" means any interest, including
- 14 a reversionary interest, in real property created or established
- 15 for the purpose of securing a loan or other obligation. Security
- 16 interests include, but are not limited to, mortgages, deeds of
- 17 trusts, liens, and title pursuant to lease financing transactions.
- 18 Security interests may also arise from transactions such as sale
- 19 and leasebacks, conditional sales, installment sales, trust receipt
- 20 transactions, certain assignments, factoring agreements, accounts
- 21 receivable financing arrangements, consignments, or any other
- 22 transaction in which evidence of title is created if the
- 23 transaction creates or establishes an interest in real property for
- 24 the purpose of securing a loan or other obligation.
- 25 (JJ) (hh)— "Site" means the location of environmental
- 26 contamination.
- 27 (KK) -(ii) "Threatened release" or "threat of release" means

- 1 any circumstance that may reasonably be anticipated to cause a
- 2 release.
- 3 (2) As used in this part, the phrase "a person who is liable"
- 4 includes a person who is described as being subject to liability in
- 5 section 20126. The phrase "a person who is liable" does not presume
- 6 that liability has been adjudicated.
- 7 SEC. 20105B. (1) THE OWNER OF A PARCEL OF PROPERTY MAY AGREE
- 8 TO HAVE HIS OR HER PROPERTY DESIGNATED AS A FACILITY BASED ON THE
- 9 PRESENCE OF HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES IN THE VICINITY OF THE PROPERTY.
- 10 IN ORDER TO SECURE A PROPERTY OWNER'S CONSENT IN THE ABSENCE OF
- 11 TESTING, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL PROVIDE ALL OF THE FOLLOWING
- 12 INFORMATION IN WRITING, IN AT LEAST 12-POINT FONT, TO THE PROPERTY
- 13 OWNER:
- 14 (A) A DEFINITION OF THE TERM FACILITY.
- 15 (B) A STATEMENT THAT IDENTIFIES THE HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE OR
- 16 SUBSTANCES FOUND IN EXCESS CONCENTRATIONS IN THE VICINITY OF THE
- 17 PROPERTY, INCLUDING THE CONCENTRATION LEVEL AND APPLICABLE STATE
- 18 CLEANUP STANDARD.
- 19 (C) A STATEMENT THAT LISTS THE RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES
- 20 THAT A PROPERTY OWNER INCURS WHEN HIS OR HER PROPERTY IS DESIGNATED
- 21 A FACILITY.
- 22 (D) A NOTICE THAT A FACILITY DESIGNATION MAY HAVE A NEGATIVE
- 23 IMPACT ON THE PROPERTY'S FAIR MARKET VALUE.
- 24 (2) THE NOTICE REQUIRED UNDER SUBSECTION (1) SHALL BE
- 25 DELIVERED TO THE PROPERTY OWNER IN PERSON OR BY REGISTERED MAIL
- 26 BEFORE THE PROPERTY OWNER AGREES TO THE DESIGNATION. THE DEPARTMENT
- 27 SHALL MAINTAIN RECORDS THAT LIST THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE

- 1 PROPERTY OWNER, THE DATE ON WHICH THE DISCLOSURE STATEMENT IS
- 2 RECEIVED BY THE PROPERTY OWNER, THE DATE ON WHICH THE PROPERTY
- 3 OWNER AGREES TO THE FACILITY DESIGNATION IN WRITING, AND A COPY OF
- 4 THE PROPERTY OWNER'S SIGNED CONSENT FORM.
- 5 (3) FOLLOWING COMPLIANCE WITH THIS SECTION, THE DIRECTOR SHALL
- 6 PROVIDE A DOCUMENT TO THE OWNER OF THE PROPERTY THAT DESIGNATES THE
- 7 PARCEL OF PROPERTY OR PORTION OF THE PARCEL AS A FACILITY.
- 8 Sec. 20117. (1) To determine the need for response activity or
- 9 selecting or taking a response activity or otherwise enforcing this
- 10 part or a rule promulgated under this part, the directors or their
- 11 authorized representatives may upon reasonable notice require a
- 12 person to furnish any information that the person may have relating
- 13 to any of the following:
- 14 (a) The identification, nature, and quantity of materials that
- 15 have been or are generated, treated, stored, handled, or disposed
- 16 of at a facility or transported to a facility.
- 17 (b) The nature or extent of a release or threatened release at
- 18 or from a facility.
- 19 (2) Upon reasonable notice, a person required to furnish
- 20 information pursuant to subsection (1) shall DO either OF THE
- 21 FOLLOWING:
- 22 (a) Grant the directors or their authorized representatives
- 23 access at all reasonable times to any place, property, or location
- 24 to inspect and copy the related information.
- 25 (b) Copy and furnish to the directors or their authorized
- 26 representatives the related information.
- 27 (3) —If— EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (4), IF there is a

- 1 reasonable basis to believe that there may be a release or threat
- 2 of release, the directors or their authorized representatives have
- 3 the right to enter at all reasonable times any public or private
- 4 property for any of the following purposes:
- 5 (a) Identifying a facility.
- **6** (b) Investigating the existence, origin, nature, or extent of
- 7 a release or threatened release.
- 8 (c) Inspecting, testing, taking photographs or videotapes, or
- 9 sampling of any of the following: soils, air, surface water,
- 10 groundwater, suspected hazardous substances, or any containers or
- 11 labels of suspected hazardous substances.
- 12 (d) Determining the need for or selecting any response
- 13 activity.
- 14 (e) Taking or monitoring implementation of any response
- **15** activity.
- 16 (4) IF THE PROPERTY SUBJECT TO ENTRY UNDER SUBSECTION (3) IS A
- 17 HOMESTEAD, THE DIRECTORS OR THEIR AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVES MAY
- 18 ENTER THE PROPERTY ONLY WITH THE EXPRESS WRITTEN CONSENT OF THE
- 19 PROPERTY OWNER OR IF THERE IS A SUBSTANTIAL THREAT TO PUBLIC HEALTH
- 20 OR THE ENVIRONMENT.
- 21 (5) -(4)— A person -that— WHO enters public or private
- 22 property pursuant to subsection (3) OR (4) shall present
- 23 credentials; make a reasonable effort to contact the PROPERTY
- 24 OWNER, THE person in charge of the facility, or that person's
- 25 designee; describe the nature of the activities authorized under
- 26 subsection (3) to be undertaken; and inform the PROPERTY OWNER OR
- 27 THE person that WHO is in charge of the facility that he or she

- 1 is entitled to participate in the collection of split samples, and
- 2 is entitled to a copy of the results of any analysis of samples and
- 3 a copy of any photograph or videotape taken. The PROPERTY OWNER OR
- 4 THE person in charge OF THE PROPERTY or his or her agent may
- 5 accompany the directors or their authorized representatives during
- 6 the activities authorized under subsection (3) that take place and
- 7 may participate in the collection of any split samples on the
- 8 property. The absence or unavailability of the PROPERTY OWNER OR
- 9 THE person in charge or that person's agent shall not delay or
- 10 limit the authority of the directors or their authorized
- 11 representatives to enter the property or proceed with the
- 12 activities authorized under subsection (3).
- 13 (6) $\frac{(5)}{(5)}$ If the directors or their authorized representatives
- 14 obtain any samples, before leaving the property they shall give to
- 15 the PROPERTY OWNER OR THE person in charge of the property from
- 16 which the samples were obtained a receipt describing the -sample
- 17 SAMPLES. A copy of the results of any analysis of the samples shall
- 18 upon request be furnished promptly to the PROPERTY OWNER OR THE
- 19 person in charge. A copy of any photograph or videotape taken
- 20 pursuant to subsection (3)(c) shall upon request be furnished
- 21 promptly to the PROPERTY OWNER OR THE person in charge.
- 22 (7) -(6) All inspections and investigations undertaken by the
- 23 directors or their authorized representatives under this section
- 24 shall be completed with reasonable promptness.
- 25 (8) -(7)— If the director or their authorized representatives
- 26 ARE refused entry or information under subsections (1) to $\frac{(4)}{(4)}$
- 27 (5), for the purposes of enforcing the information gathering and

- 1 entry authority provided in this section, the attorney general, on
- 2 behalf of the state, may do either of the following:
- 3 (a) Petition the court of appropriate jurisdiction for a
- 4 warrant authorizing access to property or information pursuant to
- 5 this section.
- **6** (b) Commence a civil action to compel compliance with a
- 7 request for information or entry pursuant to this section, to
- 8 authorize information gathering and entry provided for in this
- 9 section, and to enjoin interference with the exercise of the
- 10 authority provided in this section.
- 11 (9) -(8) In a civil action brought pursuant to subsection
- 12 (7) (8), if there is a reasonable basis to believe there may be a
- 13 release or a threatened release, the court shall in the case of
- 14 interference or noncompliance with information requests pursuant to
- 15 subsection (1), or with entry or inspection requests pursuant to
- 16 subsection (3) OR (4), enjoin interference with and direct
- 17 compliance with the requests unless the defendant establishes that,
- 18 under the circumstances of the case, the request is arbitrary and
- 19 capricious, an abuse of discretion, or otherwise not in accordance
- 20 with law.
- 21 (10) -(9)— In a civil action brought pursuant to subsection
- 22 (7) (8), if there is a reasonable basis to believe there may be a
- 23 release or a threatened release, the court may assess a civil fine
- 24 not to exceed \$25,000.00 for each day of noncompliance against a
- 25 person that unreasonably fails to comply with subsection (1), (2),
- 26 or (3), OR (4), AS APPLICABLE.
- 27 (11) $\overline{(10)}$ Information obtained by the directors or their

- 1 authorized representatives as authorized under subsection (1) or
- 2 (2) shall be available to the public to the extent provided by the
- 3 freedom of information act, Act No. 442 of the Public Acts of
- 4 1976, being sections 15.231 to 15.246 of the Michigan Compiled Laws
- 5 1976 PA 442, MCL 15.231 TO 15.246. A person who provides
- 6 information pursuant to subsection (1) or (2), or the person in
- 7 charge of a facility at which photographs or videotapes are taken
- 8 pursuant to subsection (3), may designate the information that the
- **9** person believes to be entitled to protection as if the information
- 10 was exempt from disclosure as being either trade secrets or
- information of a personal nature under section 13(1)(a) or (g) of
- 12 the freedom of information act, Act No. 442 of the Public Acts of
- 13 1976, being section 15.243 of the Michigan Compiled Laws 1976 PA
- 14 442, MCL 15.243, and submit that specifically designated
- 15 information separately from other information required to be
- 16 provided under this section.
- 17 (12) -(11) Notwithstanding subsection -(10) (11), the
- 18 following information obtained by the directors or their authorized
- 19 representatives as required by this section shall be available to
- 20 the public:
- 21 (a) The trade name, common name, or generic class or category
- 22 of the hazardous substance.
- (b) The physical properties of a hazardous substance,
- 24 including its boiling point, melting point, flash point, specific
- 25 gravity, vapor density, solubility in water, and vapor pressure at
- 26 20 degrees Celsius.
- 27 (c) The hazards to the public health, safety, or welfare, or

- 1 the environment posed by a hazardous substance, including physical
- 2 hazards, such as explosion, and potential acute and chronic health
- 3 hazards.
- 4 (d) The potential routes of human exposure to the hazardous
- 5 substance at the facility being investigated, entered, or inspected
- 6 under this section.
- 7 (e) The location of disposal of any waste stream released or
- 8 threatened to be released from the facility.
- **9** (f) Monitoring data or analysis of monitoring data pertaining
- 10 to disposal activities related to the facility.
- 11 (g) Hydrogeologic data.
- 12 (h) Groundwater monitoring data.
- 13 (13) -(12) To collect information for the purpose of
- 14 identifying persons who are liable under section 20126 or to
- 15 otherwise enforce this part or a rule promulgated under this part,
- 16 the attorney general may by administrative subpoena require the
- 17 attendance and testimony of witnesses and production of papers,
- 18 reports, documents, answers to questions, and other information the
- 19 attorney general considers necessary. Witnesses shall be paid the
- 20 same fees and mileage that are paid witnesses in the courts of this
- 21 state. If a person fails or refuses to obey the administrative
- 22 subpoena, the circuit court for the county of Ingham or for the
- 23 county in which that person resides has jurisdiction to order that
- 24 person to comply with the subpoena. A failure to obey the order of
- 25 the court is punishable by the court as contempt.
- 26 (14) -(13)— As used in this section, "information" includes,
- 27 but is not limited to, documents, materials, records, photographs,

- 1 and videotapes.
- 2 Sec. 20120a. (1) The department may establish cleanup criteria

- 3 and approve of remedial actions in the categories listed in this
- 4 subsection. The cleanup category proposed shall be the option of
- 5 the person proposing the remedial action, subject to department
- 6 approval, considering the appropriateness of the categorical
- 7 criteria to the facility. The categories are as follows:
- 8 (a) Residential.
- **9** (b) Commercial.
- 10 (c) Recreational.
- 11 (d) Industrial.
- 12 (e) Other land use based categories established by the
- **13** department.
- 14 (f) Limited residential.
- 15 (q) Limited commercial.
- (h) Limited recreational.
- 17 (i) Limited industrial.
- 18 (j) Other limited categories established by the department.
- 19 (2) The department may approve a remedial action plan based on
- 20 site specific criteria that satisfy the applicable requirements of
- 21 this part and the rules promulgated under this part. The department
- 22 shall utilize only reasonable and relevant exposure pathways in
- 23 determining the adequacy of a site specific criterion.
- 24 Additionally, the department may approve a remedial action plan for
- 25 a designated area-wide zone encompassing more than 1 facility, and
- 26 may consolidate remedial actions for more than 1 facility. THE
- 27 DEPARTMENT SHALL INCORPORATE INTO A REMEDIAL ACTION PLAN AREA-WIDE

- 1 OR SITE-SPECIFIC CLEANUP CRITERIA DERIVED FROM PEER-REVIEWED
- 2 BIOAVAILABILITY STUDIES, PEER-REVIEWED SITE-SPECIFIC HUMAN EXPOSURE
- 3 DATA, AND ANY OTHER PEER-REVIEWED SCIENTIFICALLY BASED RISK
- 4 ASSESSMENT STUDIES THAT ARE AVAILABLE AND RELEVANT.
- 5 (3) The department shall develop cleanup criteria pursuant to
- 6 subsection (1) based on generic human health risk assessment
- 7 assumptions determined by the department to appropriately
- 8 characterize patterns of human exposure associated with certain
- 9 land uses. The department shall utilize only reasonable and
- 10 relevant exposure pathways in determining these assumptions. The
- 11 department may prescribe more than 1 generic set of exposure
- 12 assumptions within each category described in subsection (1). If
- 13 the department prescribes more than 1 generic set of exposure
- 14 assumptions within a category, each set of exposure assumptions
- 15 creates a subcategory within a category described in subsection
- 16 (1). The department shall specify site characteristics that
- 17 determine the applicability of criteria derived for these
- 18 categories or subcategories.
- 19 (4) If a hazardous substance poses a carcinogenic risk to
- 20 humans, the cleanup criteria derived for cancer risk under this
- 21 section shall be the 95% upper bound on the calculated risk of 1
- 22 additional cancer above the background cancer rate per 100,000
- 23 individuals using the generic set of exposure assumptions
- 24 established under subsection (3) for the appropriate category or
- 25 subcategory. If the hazardous substance poses a risk of an adverse
- 26 health effect other than cancer, cleanup criteria shall be derived
- 27 using appropriate human health risk assessment methods for that

- 1 adverse health effect and the generic set of exposure assumptions
- 2 established under subsection (3) for the appropriate category or
- 3 subcategory. A hazard quotient of 1.0 shall be used to derive
- 4 noncancer cleanup criteria. For the noncarcinogenic effects of a
- 5 hazardous substance present in soils, the intake shall be assumed
- 6 to be 100% of the protective level, unless compound and site-
- 7 specific data are available to demonstrate that a different source
- 8 contribution is appropriate. If a hazardous substance poses a risk
- 9 of both cancer and 1 or more adverse health effects other than
- 10 cancer, cleanup criteria shall be derived under this section for
- 11 the most sensitive effect.
- 12 (5) If a cleanup criterion derived under subsection (4) for
- 13 groundwater in an aquifer differs from either: (a) the state
- 14 drinking water standard established pursuant to section 5 of the
- 15 safe drinking water act, Act No. 399 of the Public Acts of 1976,
- 16 being section 325.1005 of the Michigan Compiled Laws 1976 PA 399,
- 17 MCL 325.1005, or (b) criteria for adverse aesthetic characteristics
- 18 derived pursuant to R 299.5709 of the Michigan administrative code,
- 19 the cleanup criterion shall be the more stringent of (a) or (b)
- 20 unless the department determines that compliance with this rule is
- 21 not necessary because the use of the aquifer is reliably restricted
- 22 pursuant to section 20120b(4) or (5).
- 23 (6) The department shall not approve of a remedial action plan
- 24 in categories set forth in subsection (1)(b) to (j), unless the
- 25 person proposing the plan documents that the current zoning of the
- 26 property is consistent with the categorical criteria being
- 27 proposed, or that the governing zoning authority intends to change

- 1 the zoning designation so that the proposed criteria are consistent
- 2 with the new zoning designation, or the current property use is a
- 3 legal nonconforming use. The department shall not grant final
- 4 approval for a remedial action plan that relies on a change in
- 5 zoning designation until a final determination of that zoning
- 6 change has been made by the local unit of government. The
- 7 department may approve of a remedial action that achieves
- 8 categorical criteria that is based on greater exposure potential
- 9 than the criteria applicable to current zoning. In addition, the
- 10 remedial action plan shall include documentation that the current
- 11 property use is consistent with the current zoning or is a legal
- 12 nonconforming use. Abandoned or inactive property shall be
- 13 considered on the basis of zoning classifications as described
- 14 above.
- 15 (7) Cleanup criteria from 1 or more categories in subsection
- 16 (1) may be applied at a facility, if all relevant requirements are
- 17 satisfied for application of a pertinent criterion.
- 18 (8) Except as provided in subsection (4) and subsections (9)
- 19 to (13), compliance with the residential category in subsection
- 20 (1)(a) shall be based on $\frac{R}{299.5709}$ through $\frac{R}{299.5711(4)}$, $\frac{R}{299.5711(4)}$
- 21 299.5711(6) through R 299.5715 and R 299.5727 of the Michigan
- 22 administrative code. R 299.5711(5), R 299.5723, and R 299.5725 of
- 23 the Michigan administrative code shall not apply for calculations
- 24 of residential criteria under subsection (1)(a) R 299.5706A TO R
- 25 299.5710, R 299.5714, R 299.5718, AND R 299.5722 TO R 299.5726 OF
- 26 THE MICHIGAN ADMINISTRATIVE CODE.
- 27 (9) The need for soil remediation to protect an aquifer from

- 1 hazardous substances in soil shall be determined by $\frac{R}{R} = \frac{299.5711(2)}{100}$
- 2 R 299.5720 of the Michigan administrative code, considering the
- 3 vulnerability of the aquifer or aquifers potentially affected if
- 4 the soil remains at the facility. Migration of hazardous substances
- 5 in soil to an aquifer is a pertinent pathway if appropriate based
- 6 on consideration of site specific factors.
- 7 (10) The department may establish cleanup criteria for a
- 8 hazardous substance using a biologically based model developed or
- 9 identified as appropriate by the United States environmental
- 10 protection agency if the department determines all of the
- 11 following:
- 12 (a) That application of the model results in a criterion that
- 13 more accurately reflects the risk posed.
- 14 (b) That data of sufficient quantity and quality are available
- 15 for a specified hazardous substance to allow the scientifically
- 16 valid application of the model.
- 17 (c) The United States environmental protection agency has
- 18 determined that application of the model is appropriate for the
- 19 hazardous substance in question.
- 20 (11) If the cleanup criterion for a hazardous substance
- 21 determined by R 299.5707 of the Michigan administrative code is
- 22 greater than a cleanup criterion developed for a category pursuant
- 23 to subsection (1), the criterion determined pursuant to R 299.5707
- 24 of the Michigan administrative code shall be the cleanup criterion
- 25 for that hazardous substance in that category.
- 26 (12) In determining the adequacy of a land-use based response
- 27 activity to address sites contaminated by polychlorinated

- 1 biphenyls, the department shall not require response activity in
- 2 addition to that which is subject to and complies with applicable
- 3 federal regulations and policies that implement the toxic
- 4 substances control act, Public Law 94-469, 15 U.S.C. USC 2601
- 5 to 2629, 2641 to 2656, 2661 to 2671, and 2681 to 2692.
- **6** (13) Response activity to address the release of
- 7 uncontaminated mineral oil satisfies R 299.5709 for groundwater or
- 8 R 299.5711 R 299.5720 for soil under the Michigan administrative
- 9 code if all visible traces of mineral oil are removed from
- 10 groundwater and soil.
- 11 (14) Approval by the department of a remedial action plan
- 12 based on 1 or more categorical standard in subsection (1)(a) to (e)
- 13 shall be granted only if the pertinent criteria are satisfied in
- 14 the affected media. The department shall approve the use of
- 15 probabilistic or statistical methods or other scientific methods of
- 16 evaluating environmental data when determining compliance with a
- 17 pertinent cleanup criterion if the methods are determined by the
- 18 department to be reliable, TO BE scientifically valid, and TO best
- 19 represent actual site conditions and exposure potential.
- 20 (15) If a remedial action allows for venting groundwater, the
- 21 discharge shall comply with requirements of part 31, and the rules
- 22 promulgated under that part or an alternative method established by
- 23 rule. If the discharge of venting groundwater is provided for in a
- 24 remedial action plan that is approved by the department, a permit
- 25 for the discharge is not required. As used in this subsection,
- 26 "venting groundwater" means groundwater that is entering a surface
- 27 water of the state from a facility.

- 1 (16) A remedial action plan shall provide response activity to
- 2 meet the residential categorical criteria, or provide for
- 3 acceptable land use or resource use restrictions pursuant to
- 4 section 20120b.
- 5 (17) A remedial action plan that relies on categorical cleanup
- 6 criteria developed pursuant to subsection (1) shall also consider
- 7 other factors necessary to protect the public health, safety, and
- 8 welfare, and the environment as specified by the department, if the
- 9 department determines based on data and existing information that
- 10 such considerations are relevant to a specific facility. These
- 11 factors include, but are not limited to, the protection of surface
- 12 water quality and consideration of ecological risks if pertinent to
- 13 the facility based on the requirements of $\frac{R}{R}$ 299.5717 R 299.5728
- 14 of the Michigan administrative code.
- 15 (18) The department shall annually evaluate and revise, if
- 16 appropriate, the cleanup criteria derived under this section. The
- 17 evaluation shall incorporate knowledge gained through research and
- 18 studies in the areas of fate and transport and risk assessment. The
- 19 department shall prepare and submit to the legislature a report
- 20 detailing revisions made to cleanup criteria under this section.