

**NATURAL RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ACT (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 451 of 1994**

**324.21510d Reliance of owner or operator on fund to meet financial responsibility requirements; submission of request for determination; notice.**

Sec. 21510d. If an owner or operator intends to rely on the fund to meet financial responsibility requirements, the owner or operator shall submit to the authority a request for a determination that the owner or operator would be eligible for funding under this part in the event of a release from a refined petroleum underground storage tank system. Upon receipt of a request under this subsection, the authority shall make a determination and provide notice of that determination, in writing, to the owner or operator. The notice may contain conditions for maintenance of that eligibility. A determination under this section is based upon a demonstration of all of the following:

- (a) The owner or operator is not ineligible for funding under section 21510(4) and (5).
- (b) The refined petroleum underground storage tank or tanks are presently in compliance with the registration and fee requirements of part 211.
- (c) The owner or operator is not the United States government.
- (d) The owner or operator has financial responsibility for the deductible amount. In order to demonstrate that the owner or operator has financial responsibility for the deductible amount under this section and section 21510(1)(f), the owner or operator may rely upon any financial assurance mechanism listed in 40 CFR 280.95 to 280.107 or either of the following:
  - (i) A financial test of self-insurance. To pass the financial test of self-insurance, the owner or operator must submit, on a form developed by the authority, financial information certified as accurate by the chief financial officer or comparable position that demonstrates a tangible net worth of at least 3 times the deductible amount required under this part.
  - (ii) A deposit account in the amount of the deductible amount required under this part in a financial institution as defined in section 1202 of the banking code of 1999, 1999 PA 276, MCL 487.11202, if access to the deposit account is restricted by a deposit account control agreement or similar restriction as approved by the authority that requires the approval of the administrator for a withdrawal from the deposit account.

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