

State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations
Department of Environmental Management

**NOTICE OF THE PUBLICATION OF A PROPOSED
DIRECT FINAL RULE**

Pursuant to the provisions of Chapters 42-17.1, 42-17.2, 42-17.6 and 42-117 of the General Laws of Rhode Island as amended, and in accordance with the *Administrative Procedures Act* Chapter 42-35 of the General Laws of 1956, as amended, and specifically Section 42-35-2.11 of the amended *Administrative Procedures Act*, the Director of the Department of Environmental Management (DEM) hereby proposes to repeal the following regulations by Direct Final Rule pursuant to Section 42-35-2.11 of the General Laws of 1956, as amended:

1. [Amendments to Regulations for RIDEM Uniform Appeal Period](#) (Repeal)
ERLID Number 706 Effective date: 12/31/2001
2. [Administrative Inspection Guidelines](#) (Repeal)
ERLID Number 2402 Effective date: 1/23/2003
3. [Rules and Regulations for the DEM Expedited Permit Process](#) (Repeal)
ERLID Number: 707 Effective date: 12/31/2001

The Director believes that the above proposed actions are noncontroversial and anticipates that no objections will be received concerning the proposed repeal of the above referenced regulations that have become obsolete.

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 42-35-2.6 and 42-35-2.7 of the Rhode Island General Laws, DEM has made the following determinations: DEM has considered alternative approaches to the proposed repeal and has determined that there is no alternative approach among the alternatives considered that would be as effective and less burdensome.

A copy of the subject regulations will be available for examination from June 27, 2017 through July 27, 2017, either by mail or at the offices of the Office of Customer and Technical Assistance (OCTA) which is located on the Second Floor at 235 Promenade Street, Providence, RI 02908, weekdays from 8:30 - 4:00 PM or by calling the OCTA at (401) 222-6822. Electronic copies of the proposed rulemaking are available at the DEM website at the following web address: www.dem.ri.gov/programs/legal/documents/pnrepeal617.pdf.

DEM encourages the review of the proposed repeal of ERLID # 706, ERLID #2402, and ERLID # 707, via a Direct Final Rule pursuant to Section 42-35-2.11 of the General Laws of 1956, as amended. If no objection is received on or before July 27, 2017 DEM will file the above rulemaking without opportunity for public comment. All written objections should be sent to the Department at the Office of Legal Services located at 235 Promenade Street, Providence, RI 02908 or via e-mail to sarah.gousie@dem.ri.gov and must be received no later than 11:59 PM on July 27, 2017.

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