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Public Act No. 13-120 repealed the previous version of Connecticut General Statute Section 22a-174e, which required the Connecticut Department of Energy & Environmental Protection (DEEP) to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.
- 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.
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 maintain and operate 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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