



# LOUISVILLE METRO HAZMAT ORDINANCE APPEALS & OVERSEERS BOARD - 2022 SUMMARY

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## **HAZARDOUS MATERIALS ORDINANCE**

### **AUTHORITY AND PURPOSE**

The authority for the Hazardous Materials Ordinance (HMO) is KRS 67C.115(2), Chapter 95 of the Louisville Metro Code of Ordinances currently Ordinance 121, Series 2007.

The purpose of the HMO is for the protection of public health and safety in Louisville Metro, through prevention and control of hazardous materials incidents and releases and to require timely reporting of releases.

## **APPEALS AND OVERSEERS BOARD**

The Appeals and Overseers Board was created under Section 12 of the HMO, December 1985 (currently Section 95.13 of Ordinance 121, Series 2007). The purpose of the Board is to ensure that an appeal process is made available to those persons aggrieved by an enforcement action of the administering agency (MSD) under the HMO. An appeal may question the adequacy of a Hazardous Materials Spill Prevention and Control Plan (HMPC Plan) and/or a penalty imposed under the HMO. Upon receipt of an appeal, the Appeals and Overseers Board schedules a hearing with MSD and the complainant to review the case and offers recommendations for a solution.

The Board also serves to coordinate and integrate the policies and procedures of the regulating agencies regarding application of the HMPC Plans. In addition, the Board will review proposed amendments or modification of the HMO and submit appropriate recommendations to the Council members of the Greater Louisville Metro Government.

Each year the Board prepares a summary of its activities and those of the administering agency (MSD) for submittal to the Mayor. This report covers the period from January 1 to December 31, 2022.

The HMO Appeals and Overseers Board is committed to meeting the needs of those to whom it reports each year. To that end, the Board welcomes your feedback and comments regarding the information presented in this report. Please direct comments to Jacquelyn Quarles, MSD Deputy General Counsel.

The Board wishes to express its gratitude to the MSD staff for their continued excellence in providing support and assistance. The help of Jacquelyn Quarles, Adraine Niehoff-Ritman, Kandyce Groves, Jeremy Knight, Mike Moore, Scott Shrader, Robert Rose, Trent Winlock, Staunen Morian, Rodney Haskell, Cheryl Harris, Taylor Renfro, Kitt Tuttle and Bob Pifine is particularly appreciated and acknowledged.

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

### **METROPOLITAN SEWER DISTRICT (MSD)**

The Louisville and Jefferson County Metropolitan Sewer District (MSD) is the administering agency for the HMO. MSD is the approval authority for Hazardous Material Spill Prevention Control (HMPC) Plans. During the reporting year, there were 501 companies in Jefferson County that had approved HMPC Exemptions and 683 companies that had approved HMPC Plans. Exemptions from an approved HMPC Plan are based on Section 95.07(B) of the HMO and include companies that handle small quantities of hazardous materials which could not cause a dangerous release.

The Appeals and Overseers Board met on April 7 and July 28 in the year 2022.

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## **EMERGENCY RESPONSE AND HMPC PROGRAM UPDATE**

The HMO requires industrial and commercial businesses that manufacture, use, or store reportable quantities of listed hazardous materials or substances to submit a plan that addresses what spill prevention and control measures will be in effect for those hazardous materials. The plan also addresses how releases of those materials will be reported to appropriate authorities. This documentation is known as the Hazardous Material Spill Prevention and Control Plan (HMPC plan). The main objective of the HMPC plan is to obtain pertinent information/data about an industry's chemicals on site, and the facilities and structures used to contain, process and store hazardous materials. Also required are detailed disclosures of equipment, maps, plans and materials that will be used to mitigate releases and/or spills. The plans account for or identify sewer facilities on site, describe training requirements for employees, and include an Attachment outlining the industrial facility's spill plan.

As administering agency for the HMO, MSD is responsible for reviewing and approving HMPC plans and exemptions, conducting inspections at businesses with a HMPC plan, responding to hazardous materials incidents in Metro, determining whether violations of the HMO have occurred and imposing appropriate enforcement actions (correction notices, notices of violation and/or administrative fines) on the responsible parties involved in the violation. MSD is part of the Metro response community along with other agencies such as Louisville and Suburban Fire Departments, Metro Public Health and Wellness, and the Metro Emergency Management Agency, as well as various State response agencies. MSD is committed in its continued cooperation with other response agencies to maximize the community's resources in order to provide the best possible emergency response in our community. It is recognized and acknowledged by MSD that the program's success is in large part due to the dedication and commitment displayed by all of the agencies involved in emergency response in this community.

During this reporting period, MSD Environmental Compliance Inspectors (ECIs) continued all of the activities associated with the HMO including HMPC Plan and Exemption review and approval, inspections, Incident Response, and MSD Customer Relations Request Response. In addition, MSD continued to administer the Incident Response Mitigation Program and to hold monthly Response Group Meetings (RGMs).

Additionally, ECIs have continued entering chemical inventory information into the IPS inventory database. This data will continue to be shared with other emergency response



agencies upon request to assist emergency response and long-term planning efforts. All of the hazardous material data collected has geographic coordinates associated with it. Using a Geographic Information System (GIS) to enhance emergency response and hazardous materials planning has given MSD a strategic advantage when analyzing the storage of materials in different parts of the county and ultimately a better understanding of the risk associated with the use of those materials.

**Key statistics for January 1 through December 31 2022 are as follows:**

Total Incidents to which MSD responded.....	196
Declared Hazmat Incidents to which MSD responded .....	86
Requests for response from FD to which MSD responded .....	39
Other request to which MSD responded .....	71
Facilities with HMPC exemptions .....	500
Facilities with HMPC Plans.....	998
Fines Levied by MSD.....	1
Fines Levied by EMA .....	None

The following table lists enforcement actions taken for violations of the HMO for the period January 1 – December 31, 2022. The table lists the enforcement actions by incident number.

<b>COMPANY</b>	<b>INCIDENT NUMBER</b>	<b>DATE OF VIOLATION</b>	<b>MATERIAL RELEASED</b>	<b>REASON FOR VIOLATION</b>	<b>SECTION OF HMO VIOLATED</b>
<b>Angels Envy Distillery</b>	22ER1011	01/27/22	Ethanol Solution	Notice of Violation for delayed or failure to notify “911”	95.06 (A) (1)
<b>Allnex USA, Inc.</b>	22ER1030	03/11/22	Styrene	Notice of Violation for delayed or failure to notify “911”	95.06 (A) (1)
<b>Top Line Service, Inc.</b>	22ER1038	03/27/22	Diesel Fuel	Notice of Violation for delayed or failure to notify “911”	95.06 (A) (1)
<b>MSD</b>	22ER1044	02/16/22	Diesel Fuel	Notice of Violation for delayed or failure to notify “911”	95.06 (A) (1)
<b>American Synthetic Rubber Co.</b>	22ER1047	04/15/22	Toluene	Notice of Violation for delayed or failure to notify “911”	95.06 (A) (1)
<b>River Metals Recycling, LLC</b>	22ER1057	04/25/22	Diesel Fuel	Notice of Violation for delayed or failure to notify “911”	95.06 (A) (1)
<b>UPS Centennial Hub</b>	22ER1068	05/18/22	Diesel Fuel	Notice of Violation for delayed or failure to notify “911”	95.06 (A) (1)
<b>Norton Healthcare, Inc.</b>	22ER1113	07/28/22	Hydraulic Oil	Notice of Violation for delayed or failure to notify “911”	95.06 (A) (1)

<b>Circle K 3221</b>	22ER1119	08/14/22	Gasoline	Notice of Violation for delayed or failure to notify "911"	95.06 (A) (1)
<b>Zeochem, LLC</b>	22ER1132	08/30/22	Diesel Fuel	Notice of Violation for delayed or failure to notify "911"	95.06 (A) (1)
<b>Allnex USA, Inc.</b>	22ER1186	12-14-22	Solvent/Resin mixture containing xylene, butyl acetate, toluene	Notice of Violation for delayed or failure to notify "911"	95.06 (A) (1)
<b>Old Forester Distillery</b>	22ER1193	12-23-22	Ethanol / Water mixture	Notice of Violation for delayed or failure to notify "911"	95.06 (A) (1)
<b>J. H. Bischoff Flooring, Inc.</b>	22ER1182	12-12-2022	Diesel fuel	Notice of Violation for delayed or failure to notify "911"	95.06 (A) (1)

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