

Mississippi Secretary of State

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES NOTICE FILING

AGENCY NAME Mississippi Department of Transportation		CONTACT PERSON Ray Goodman	TELEPHONE NUMBER 601-939-7105	
ADDRESS 401 N. West St.		CITY Jackson	STATE MS	ZIP 39201
EMAIL rules@mdot.state.ms.us	SUBMIT DATE 3-24-21	Name or number of rule(s): 37.I.7501.04001		

Short explanation of rule/amendment/repeal and reason(s) for proposing rule/amendment/repeal: minor changes and clarifications

Specific legal authority authorizing the promulgation of rule: Section 5 65-1-8 (2)(cl. et. seq. of the Mississippi Code of 1972

Annotated as amended)

List all rules repealed, amended, or suspended by the proposed rule: 37.I.7501.04001

ORAL PROCEEDING:

☐ An oral proceeding is scheduled for this rule on Date: _____ Time: _____ Place: _____

☒ Presently, an oral proceeding is not scheduled on this rule.

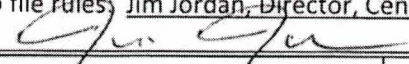
If an oral proceeding is not scheduled, an oral proceeding must be held if a written request for an oral proceeding is submitted by a political subdivision, an agency or ten (10) or more persons. The written request should be submitted to the agency contact person at the above address within twenty (20) days after the filing of this notice of proposed rule adoption and should include the name, address, email address, and telephone number of the person(s) making the request; and, if you are an agent or attorney, the name, address, email address, and telephone number of the party or parties you represent. At any time within the twenty-five (25) day public comment period, written submissions including arguments, data, and views on the proposed rule/amendment/repeal may be submitted to the filing agency.

ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT:

☐ Economic impact statement not required for this rule. ☒ Concise summary of economic impact statement attached.

TEMPORARY RULES	PROPOSED ACTION ON RULES	FINAL ACTION ON RULES
_____ Original filing _____ Renewal of effectiveness To be in effect in _____ days Effective date: _____ Immediately upon filing _____ Other (specify): _____	Action proposed: _____ New rule(s) ☒ Amendment to existing rule(s) _____ Repeal of existing rule(s) _____ Adoption by reference Proposed final effective date: _____ 30 days after filing ☒ Other (specify): 5-24-21	Date Proposed Rule Filed: _____ Action taken: _____ Adopted with no changes in text _____ Adopted with changes _____ Adopted by reference _____ Withdrawn _____ Repeal adopted as proposed Effective date: _____ 30 days after filing _____ Other (specify): _____

Printed name and Title of person authorized to file rules: Jim Jordan, Director, Central Services Division

Signature of person authorized to file rules: 

OFFICIAL FILING STAMP	DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE OFFICIAL FILING STAMP	OFFICIAL FILING STAMP
Accepted for filing by	 Accepted for filing by #25420	Accepted for filing by

The entire text of the Proposed Rule including the text of any rule being amended or changed is attached.



Michael Watson
SECRETARY OF STATE

CONCISE SUMMARY OF ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT

An Economic Impact Statement is required for this proposed rule by Section 25-43-3.105 of the Administrative Procedures Act. This is a Concise Summary of the Economic Impact Statement which must be filed with the Secretary of State's Office.

AGENCY NAME Mississippi Department of Transportation	CONTACT PERSON Ray Goodman	TELEPHONE NUMBER 601-939-7105
ADDRESS 401 N. West Street	CITY Jackson	STATE MS
EMAIL rules@mdot.state.ms.us	ZIP 39201	
DESCRIPTIVE TITLE OF PROPOSED RULE Underground Utility Crossings		
Specific Legal Authority Authorizing the promulgation of Rule: Miss. Code Ann. § 65-1-8(2) (Rev 2006)		Reference to Rules repealed, amended or suspended by the Proposed Rule: 37.1.7501.04001

A. Estimated Costs and Benefits

1. Briefly summarize the benefits that may result from this regulation and who will benefit:

Scaled drawings will be required showing the location of proposed underground utility crossings. Upon completion of the permitted work, the utility must certify that all work has been done in accordance with the permit. MDOT reserves the right to require a utility to expose a facility as necessary to verify the actual installed location. The intent is to ensure compliance with the permit requirements and prevent utilities from being located at locations other than the permitted location as represented on the approved permit. A separate permit is required for additional service line work.

2. Briefly describe the need for the proposed rule: The proposed rule will ensure that submitted drawings are to scale and the proposed utility is installed in the permitted location. Facilities found to be installed in locations other than those shown on the approved permit shall be relocated to the approved location at the utility company's expense.
3. Briefly describe the effect the proposed action will have on the public health, safety, and welfare: The proposed action will help to more accurately locate utilities on the right-of-way. This should enhance safety, and reduce cost for both MDOT and the utility permittee.
4. Estimated Cost of implementing proposed action:
- a. To the agency
☒ Nothing ☐ Minimal ☐ Moderate ☐ Substantial ☐ Excessive
 - b. To other state or local government entities
☒ Nothing ☐ Minimal ☐ Moderate ☐ Substantial ☐ Excessive
5. Estimated Cost and/or economic benefit to all persons directly affected by the proposed rule:
- c. Cost:
☐ Nothing ☒ Minimal ☐ Moderate ☐ Substantial ☐ Excessive

d. Economic Benefit:

☐ Nothing ☒ Minimal ☐ Moderate ☐ Substantial ☐ Excessive

6. Estimated impact on small businesses:

☒ Nothing ☐ Minimal ☐ Moderate ☐ Substantial ☐ Excessive

a. Estimate of the number of small businesses subject to the proposed regulation: None

b. Projected costs for small businesses to comply: None

c. Statement of probable effect on impacted small businesses: None

7. The cost of adopting the rule compared to not adopting the rule or significantly amending the existing rule (check option):

☐ substantially less than ☐ moderately less than ☐ minimally less than
☒ the same as ☐ minimally more than ☐ moderately more than
☐ substantially more than ☐ excessively more than

8. The benefit of adopting the rule compared to not adopting the rule or significantly amending the existing rule (check option):

☐ substantially less than ☐ moderately less than ☐ minimally less than
☐ the same as ☒ minimally more than ☐ moderately more than
☐ substantially more than ☐ excessively more than

B. Reasonable Alternative Methods

1. Other than adopting this rule, are there less costly or less intrusive methods for achieving the purpose of the proposed rule?

☐ yes ☒ no

2. If yes, please briefly describe available, reasonable alternative(s) and the reasons for rejecting those alternatives in favor of the proposed rule. (Please see §25-43-4.104 for factors you must consider.)

C. Data and Methodology

1. Please briefly describe the data and methodology you used in making the estimates required by this form. Professional experience and judgment was used in estimating any minimal impacts associated with the proposed revisions.

D. Public Notice

1. Where, when, and how may someone present their views on the proposed rule and request an oral proceeding on the proposed rule if one is not already scheduled? Questions and comments can be submitted and oral proceedings can be scheduled virtually on a as needed basis if necessary.

SIGNATURE

DATE

3-24-21

TITLE

Director, Central Services Division

PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE OF

RULE

5-24-21