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ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES NOTICE FILING

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Short explanation of rule/amendment/repeal and reason(s) for proposing rule/amendment/repeal: Individuals who conduct asbestos abatement activities in Mississippi and who are regulated by the Asbestos National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAP) regulations are required to be certified by MDEQ. The Asbestos Abatement Accreditation and Certification Act was amended during the 2025 Legislative Session to closely align with EPA's regulations and to make it easier to obtain certification. These proposed amendments reflect the recent changes to the Act and align this chapter with other MDEQ regulations.

Specific legal authority authorizing the promulgation of rule: Miss. Code Ann. §§ 37-138-9, 49-2-9(1), 49-17-17, and 49-17-25 (Rev. 2012)

List all rules repealed, amended, or suspended by the proposed rule: Amends 11 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 2 Ch. 10.

ORAL PROCEEDING:

☒ An oral proceeding is scheduled for this rule on: Date: February 23, 2026 Time: 1:30 p.m. Place: Virtually via Zoom. Please register to attend at www.mdeq.ms.gov/AirChapter10-Registration or contact Bryan Williams at (601) 961-5799 or bwilliams@mdeq.ms.gov.

☐ 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): _____	Date Proposed Rule Filed: <u>1/27/2026</u> 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 & Title of person authorized to file rules: Emily Brennan, Attorney, MDEQ

Signature of person authorized to file rules: *Emily Brennan*

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