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Dear Dry Cleaning Owner/Operator:

The Small Business Environmental Assistance Program (SBEAP) is writing to inform you that the U.S Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is requiring that you submit a Status of Compliance form to the Air Quality Bureau by July 28, 2008. This form is for dry cleaners that use perchloroethylene (perc or PCE) and is included in this letter. In addition, we have listed some of the changes to the 2006 Dry Cleaning Rule.

Highlights of the 2006 Perc Rule Revisions:

1. Requires notification of the Status of Compliance with all provisions of the revised rule by July 28, 2008 (the enclosed form covers this requirement).
2. Eliminates the use of transfer machines after July 27, 2008.
3. Bans new construction of perc dry cleaners located in residential buildings (co-located).
4. Phases out perc use at co-located dry cleaners by December 21, 2020.
5. Requires additional emissions controls for new drycleaner construction or reconstruction.
6. Strengthens monitoring and record keeping requirements.
  - Dry cleaner components will need to be tested for leaks by using either a halogenated hydrocarbon detector or PCE gas analyzer. The detector or analyzer must be capable of detecting perc concentrations equal to or greater than 25 parts per million (ppm).

More information, including a list of perc detectors may be found on the SBEAP website at [http://www.nmenv.state.nm.us/aqb/sbap/sbap\\_industry\\_sectors\\_3.html](http://www.nmenv.state.nm.us/aqb/sbap/sbap_industry_sectors_3.html)  
The Dry Cleaning Regulation may be found at 40 CFR Part 63, Subpart M.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation and please submit the form to us at the address below by July 28, 2008. If you have any questions, you can contact SBEAP at (505) 222-9507 or -9583.

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