

State any waste or polluting substance of any kind as defined for the purpose of this subtitle in violation of any duly authorized rule, regulation or order of the Department. Any person who shall so discharge or permit to be discharged directly or indirectly any waste or polluting substance into any of the waters of this State which will cause pollution as defined herein shall be deemed to violate the provisions of this subtitle.

Every person the Department has reason to believe is causing or is about to be causing pollution shall furnish to it all pertinent information required by it in the discharge of its duties under this subtitle.

(b) (1) Whenever, in the opinion of the Department, any person shall violate or attempt to violate the provisions of this subtitle, or fails to control the pollutant content or waste discharge into any of the waters of the State, the Department shall notify the alleged offender *in writing* of such determination by it *requiring such person to abate the same within a time to be specified in the notice*. Within thirty (30) days from the receipt of notice of such determination, such person shall file with the Department a full report showing what steps have been and are being taken to control such waste or pollution. Within 90 days from the receipt of such report filed with the [Commission,] Department, the [Commission] Department shall issue such orders as in its opinion shall be deemed necessary.

(2) *The mailing of a notice of the Department's decision or order by registered mail to the last known address of any person, or principal office of record, shall constitute compliance with the requirement of service of such notice under this subtitle.*

(3) *Upon failure to comply with such written notice, within ninety (90) days the Department shall be authorized to bring any appropriate action, including by injunction, in the name of the people of the State of Maryland, as may be deemed necessary in the discretion of said Department to carry out the provisions of this subtitle and to enforce any and all laws relating to the pollution of the waters of the State, except as herein provided.*

(4) *When a written notice or order pursuant to this subtitle has been served on any person, and the person fails to comply with the notice or order or fails to make a reasonable effort to comply with the notice or order, or continues to act in such a manner that the violation is not abated, with no reasonable assurance to the Department that such violation will be abated, upon petition by the Department, the Court may issue an order requiring the person to show cause ~~within thirty (30) days~~ why an injunction should not be granted pursuant to this subtitle.* , AND THEREAFTER GRANT RELIEF CONSISTENT WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE.

(5) [Any agent, authorized by the Department to represent it, shall have the authority to enforce the provisions of this subtitle and may make complaint against any person violating the same.] After service of a written notice, setting forth specifically any violation of this subtitle, any person who shall fail to [file the report] *comply with such notice as required by this subtitle* and who is thereafter found to be continuing such violation may be prosecuted under this subtitle; provided, however, that pending the