

and storing oil, petroleum products and their by-products, and the utilization of, and impact on, the state's resources,

LICENSE DESIGNATION	TOTAL STORAGE CAPACITY, IN BARRELS	ANNUAL LICENSE FEE
CLASS A	50,000 OR GREATER	\$5,000.00
CLASS B	20,000 TO LESS THAN 50,000	\$3,000.00 1,500.00
CLASS C	10,000 TO LESS THAN 20,000	\$2,000.00 1,000.00
CLASS D	5,000 TO LESS THAN 10,000	\$1,000.00 500.00
CLASS E	LESS THAN 5,000 BUT GREATER THAN 3,000	\$ 500.00 250.00

the THE annual fee shall be no less than ~~\$250.00~~ ~~\$500.00~~ 250.00 nor greater than ~~\$25,000~~, except that at the time the fund reaches its maximum of two million dollars there shall be no minimum license fee \$5,000, PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT THE MAXIMUM PAID BY ANY ONE PERSON SHALL NOT EXCEED \$25,000. AT THE TIME THE FUND REACHES ITS MAXIMUM OF \$500,000, COLLECTION OF THE ANNUAL LICENSE FEES SHALL BE ABATED. Annual fees shall be paid by these facilities to the state comptroller and upon receipt by him credited to the Maryland Oil Disaster ~~Research, Development~~ CONTAINMENT, CLEAN-UP and Contingency Fund. ANNUAL FEES SHALL BE PAID BY THESE FACILITIES BY NO LATER THAN SEPTEMBER 1, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1 IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING, IN NO EVENT SHALL THE COLLECTION OF LICENSE FEES FOR ANY ONE YEAR EXCEED THE SUM OF \$250,000, IF SUCH A CONTINGENCY SHOULD OCCUR, THAT EXCESS OVER \$250,000 SHALL BE CREDITED OR REFUNDED TO THE LICENSEES ON A PRORATED BASIS.

~~(d)~~ (C) As a condition precedent to the issuance or renewal of a license the Department shall require satisfactory evidence that the applicant has implemented or is in the process of implementing state and federal plans and regulations for control of pollution related to oil, petroleum products, and their by-products and the abatement thereof when a discharge occurs.

~~(e)~~ The Legislature finds and declares that the likelihood of significant damage to marine, estuarine, and terrestrial environment due to spills of oil, petroleum products, and their by-products by the following classes of persons, is remote due to the limited nature of their operations and the small quantities stored, and accordingly exempts them from licensing requirements imposed by this section.

Persons engaged in the business of servicing the fuel requirements of pleasure craft, fishing boats and other commercial vessels, where the purchaser and the consumer are the same entity and the serviced vessel is 75 feet or less in overall length.

(D) ANY PERSON WHO VIOLATES SUBSECTIONS (A) THROUGH (C) OF THIS SECTION IS GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR AND UPON CONVICTION SHALL BE PUNISHED