

(8) A SEWAGE SLUDGE UTILIZATION PERMIT IN EFFECT ON JULY 1, 1984 WILL REMAIN IN EFFECT UNTIL THE EXPIRATION DATE OF THE PERMIT.

(9) (I) UPON RECEIPT OF THE PERMIT APPLICATION BY THE DEPARTMENT, A COPY SHALL BE IMMEDIATELY FORWARDED TO THE COUNTY AND THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION IN WHICH THE SITE FOR THE UTILIZATION OR DISPOSAL OF SEWAGE SLUDGE IS LOCATED.

(II) IF THAT SITE IS WITHIN A RADIUS OF 1 MILE OF ANOTHER COUNTY, THE ADJACENT MARYLAND COUNTY SHALL ALSO BE SENT A COPY OF THE PERMIT APPLICATION AND ALL RELEVANT NOTICES SENT UNDER SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION.

(III) THE COUNTY AND THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION SHALL BE PROVIDED AN OPPORTUNITY TO CONSULT WITH THE DEPARTMENT REGARDING THE DECISION TO ISSUE OR DENY OR PLACE RESTRICTIONS ON THE PERMIT.

(IV) IF MORE THAN 1 COUNTY OR MUNICIPAL CORPORATION REQUESTS A HEARING OR INFORMATIONAL MEETING UNDER SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION, THE DEPARTMENT MAY CONSOLIDATE THE HEARING OR MEETING IN 1 COUNTY.

(F) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL MAINTAIN A PERMANENT PUBLIC RECORD OF ALL SEWAGE SLUDGE UTILIZATION PERMITS ISSUED UNDER THIS SECTION IN ORDER TO ALLOW THE PUBLIC TO IDENTIFY ALL PERMITS ISSUED FOR A PARTICULAR TRACT OF LAND.

(G) (1) TO ENFORCE THIS SECTION AND TO INSURE COMPLIANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF EACH SEWAGE SLUDGE UTILIZATION PERMIT, A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE DEPARTMENT OR THE COUNTY-HEALTH-OFFICER LOCAL HEALTH OFFICIAL MAY ENTER AND INSPECT, AT ANY REASONABLE TIME, ANY SITE WHERE SEWAGE SLUDGE IS UTILIZED.

(2) A SEWAGE SLUDGE UTILIZER MAY NOT:

(I) REFUSE TO GRANT ACCESS TO ANY REPRESENTATIVE OF THE DEPARTMENT OR THE COUNTY-HEALTH-OFFICER LOCAL HEALTH OFFICIAL, UNDER PARAGRAPH (3) AND (4) OF THIS SUBSECTION, WHO REQUESTS TO ENTER A SEWAGE SLUDGE UTILIZATION SITE UNDER THIS SECTION; OR

(II) INTERFERE WITH ANY INSPECTION UNDER THIS SUBTITLE.

(3) (I) THE COUNTY-HEALTH-OFFICER LOCAL HEALTH OFFICIAL FOR ANY COUNTY MAY INSPECT, MONITOR, AND INVESTIGATE A SITE WHERE SEWAGE SLUDGE IS UTILIZED OR DISPOSED IN THAT COUNTY.

(II) 1. THE COUNTY-HEALTH-OFFICER LOCAL HEALTH OFFICIAL, IN EXERCISING AUTHORITY UNDER THIS SECTION, MAY ISSUE A STOP WORK ORDER FOR SEWAGE SLUDGE UTILIZATION AT A SITE AND SUSPEND A SEWAGE SLUDGE UTILIZATION PERMIT WITH THE CONCURRENCE OF THE DEPARTMENT.