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(A) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL:

(1) DUPLICATE INFORMATION CONTAINED ON ALL CHEMICAL INFORMATION LISTS AND MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEETS THAT THE DEPARTMENT RECEIVES UNDER ARTICLE 89, § 32H OF THE CODE;

(2) MAINTAIN THIS INFORMATION IN A CENTRAL REPOSITORY FOR A PERIOD OF 40 YEARS; AND

(3) PROVIDE ACCESS TO THIS INFORMATION BY THE PERSONS WHO ARE ALLOWED ACCESS UNDER THIS SUBTITLE.

(B) ON WRITTEN REQUEST TO THE DEPARTMENT, THE FOLLOWING PERSONS MAY HAVE ACCESS TO, INSPECT, AND MAKE A COPY, AT THE PERSON'S EXPENSE, OF ANY CHEMICAL INFORMATION LIST AND MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET THAT CONTAINS INFORMATION ON HAZARDOUS OR TOXIC CHEMICALS AND THAT THE DEPARTMENT MAINTAINS UNDER THIS SUBTITLE:

(1) ANY STATEWIDE ENVIRONMENTAL ORGANIZATION THAT IS REGISTERED-WITH-THE-STATE IN THE STATE OF MARYLAND;

(2) ANY STATEWIDE CIVIC OR CONSUMER ORGANIZATION THAT IS REGISTERED-WITH-THE-STATE IN THE STATE OF MARYLAND; AND

(3) ANY INDIVIDUAL WHO LIVES:

(I) IN A LOCAL COMMUNITY WHERE A BUSINESS STORES, PRODUCES, OR LOCATES HAZARDOUS OR TOXIC CHEMICALS; OR

(II) IN THE NEAREST LOCAL COMMUNITY TO A BUSINESS THAT STORES, PRODUCES, OR LOCATES HAZARDOUS OR TOXIC CHEMICALS.

(C) WHENEVER THE DEPARTMENT RECEIVES A WRITTEN REQUEST, UNDER THIS SUBTITLE, FOR CHEMICAL INFORMATION LISTS AND MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEETS SUBMITTED BY AN EMPLOYER IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 32H OF ARTICLE 89, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL PROMPTLY NOTIFY THE EMPLOYER OF THE REQUEST.

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(A) THE DEPARTMENT MAY ADOPT RULES AND REGULATIONS TO PROVIDE FOR ACCESS BY THE PUBLIC IN AN EFFICIENT MANNER THAT DOES NOT INTERRUPT OR IMPEDE THE NORMAL COURSE OF BUSINESS OF THE DEPARTMENT TO ANY INFORMATION THAT THE DEPARTMENT HAS CONCERNING HAZARDOUS OR TOXIC CHEMICALS ON CHEMICAL INFORMATION LISTS AND MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEETS.

(B) THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE SHALL CONSULT WITH THE DIVISION OF LABOR AND INDUSTRY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING AND REGULATION WHEN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE ADOPTS RULES AND REGULATIONS UNDER THIS SECTION.