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- (IV) FLAMMABLE LIQUIDS OR SOLIDS;
- (V) COMBUSTIBLE LIQUIDS OR SOLIDS;
- (VI) POISONS;
- (VII) OXIDIZING OR CORROSIVE MATERIALS; AND
- (VIII) COMPRESSED GASES.
- (D) "HIGHWAY" HAS THE SAME MEANING AS PROVIDED IN § 11-127 OF THE TRANSPORTATION ARTICLE.
- (E) "MOTOR CARRIER" MEANS A COMMON CARRIER BY MOTOR VEHICLE, CONTRACT CARRIER BY MOTOR VEHICLE, AND PRIVATE CARRIER BY MOTOR VEHICLE THAT CARRIES A HAZARDOUS MATERIAL IN COMMERCE.
- 3-1102.
- (A) A MOTOR CARRIER IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE EXPENSE OF AN EMERGENCY RESPONSE, CONTAINMENT, CLEANUP, AND ABATEMENT BY A PAID FIRE DEPARTMENT IF THE MOTOR CARRIER:
- (1) TRANSPORTS A HAZARDOUS MATERIAL IN COMMERCE ON A HIGHWAY IN THE STATE; AND
- (2) IS AT FAULT IN AND CAUSES A TRAFFIC ACCIDENT IN THE STATE THAT RESULTS IN:
- (I) A SPILL OR DISCHARGE OF HAZARDOUS MATERIALS; AND
- (II) AN EMERGENCY RESPONSE, CONTAINMENT, CLEANUP, AND ABATEMENT BY THE PAID FIRE DEPARTMENT.
- (B)--THE-EXPENSE--OF--AN--EMERGENCY--RESPONSE;--CONTAINMENT; CLEANUP;--AND-ABATEMENT-UNDER-SUBSECTION-(A)-OF-THIS-SECTION-IS-ADEBT-AGAINST-THE-RESPONSIBLE-MOTOR-CARRIER;

3-1103.

- (A) A MOTOR CARRIER THAT IS AT FAULT IN AND CAUSES A TRAFFIC ACCIDENT THAT RESULTS IN A SPILL OR DISCHARGE OF HAZARDOUS MATERIALS SHALL NEGOTIATE IN GOOD FAITH TO REIMBURSE A PAID FIRE DEPARTMENT FOR ITS THE EXPENSE OF AN EMERGENCY RESPONSE, CONTAINMENT, CLEANUP, AND ABATEMENT INVOLVING THE HAZARDOUS MATERIALS IN THE TRAFFIC ACCIDENT.
- (B) IF THE NEGOTIATIONS UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION DO NOT RESOLVE THE DISPUTE TO THE SATISFACTION OF THE PARTIES, A PAID DEPARTMENT MAY FILE SUIT AGAINST THE MOTOR CARRIER IN A COURT OF COMPETENT JURISDICTION IN THE STATE.