

# Asbestos Program Merger

Ohio EPA  
and  
Ohio Department Of Health

# Proposal to Combine Programs

- The proposal was included in House Bill 49, the SFY17-18 Biennium Budget
- Passed in July 2017
- The portion of law regarding the program merger became effective Jan. 1, 2018

# What does the merger really mean?

- All aspects of the ODH Asbestos Program will be transferred to Ohio EPA.
- ODH staff will be transferred to Ohio EPA.
- ODH's electronic system for notifications and licensing/certification will be replaced with an Ohio EPA electronic system in phases.

# Rules

After merger:

- Licensing rules (Formerly OAC Chapter 3701-34) became OAC Chapter 3745-22. OAC Chapter 3745-20 remained the same. (Statute for licensing remained as Revised Code 3710.)
- Rules have been revised to address conflicting definitions and/or requirements. Other issues will be addressed as policy decisions.
- January 1 effective date.
- ODH rules rescinded January 1.

# Receive Notifications of Asbestos Projects

Formerly, ODH and Ohio EPA:

- ODH received and processed notifications and ODH Fiscal received and processed checks for fees for asbestos abatement projects >50SF/LF of friable ACM.
  - Submitted via mail or online system.
  - Collect fees first before notification review.
- Ohio EPA notifications were submitted to the DO/LAA.
  - Notifications were entered into ANTS.
  - Billed by DAPC CO after the project was complete.

After merger:

- All notifications (Licensing and NESHAP) and fees will be submitted to and processed by DAPC Central Office Staff on a combined form.
  - Submitted via online system or mail.
  - All initial notification fees charged upon submission; revised amounts billed after all project(s) completed.
  - District staff and LAA staff will have access to notification information via the Central Office database.

# Notification Fees

- The fee structure (amount) has not changed for the ODH and Ohio EPA asbestos programs.
  - \$65 for licensing notification (for each address w/more than 50SF/LF Friable ACM)
  - \$75 plus RACM and/or clean-up for NESHAPs [ORC 3745.11(G)]
- Changes you will see:
  - \$75 for demolitions without asbestos
  - \$75 per notification of an installation (more than one building)
- **Changes to the Ohio Revised Code allow for us to collect our Ohio EPA fees upfront; addressing the issue of owners/operators not paying.**
- A payment will need to be submitted with a notification in order for the notification to be processed and approved.
- Fees will be calculated automatically based upon the information submitted in the notification.
- **Submit online!!!!**



# Ohio EPA Asbestos Website

<http://epa.ohio.gov/dapc/atu/asbestos.aspx>

- Notification Form (Word and PDF)
- Instructions
- Fee Payment Worksheet (Blank & Examples)

# Questions?