58:11-9.1. Definitions of words and phrases

Definitions. As used in this act:

"Water supply system" means a system comprising structures which operating alone or with other structures result in the derivation, conveyance (or transmission), or distribution of water for potable or domestic purposes.

"Approved public potable water supply" means a water supply which has been approved by the Department of Health of the State of New Jersey under the provisions of article 1 of chapter 10 of Title 58 and article 1 of chapter 11 of Title 58 of the Revised Statutes, and is operating under said sections.

"Unapproved water supply" means a water supply which is not approved by the Department of Health of the State of New Jersey under the provisions of article 1 of chapter 10 of Title 58 and article 1 of chapter 11 of Title 58 of the Revised Statutes.

"A physical connection" means any cross-connection, by-pass, valve, pipeline, auxiliary intake, or any device which permits or may permit any flow of water into an approved public potable water supply from an unapproved water supply.

"Approved physical connection" means an installation constituting of a physical connection installed, owned, maintained, and operated in accordance with rules and regulations of the State department.

"State department" means State Department of Health.

L.1942, c. 308, p. 1139, s. 1. Amended by L.1966, c. 47, s. 1, eff. May 24, 1966.

58:11-9.2. Permits for connections required; expiration

No person, corporation, or municipality shall maintain, own, or operate a physical connection between an approved public potable water supply and an unapproved water supply, unless the person, corporation, or municipality first obtains a permit from the State Department. All such permits shall expire on April first of each year unless an earlier date is specified in the permit.

L.1942, c. 308, p. 1140, s. 2.

58:11-9.3. Prerequisites to issuance of permit

The State department, before it issues any permit under the provisions of this act, shall be satisfied of the following facts:

(a) That the physical connection between an approved public potable water supply and an unapproved water supply is protected by an approved physical connection.

(b) That the physical connection has the approval of the local board of health of the municipality whose approved public potable water supply may be affected; and

(c) That the physical connection has the approval of the person, corporation, or municipality owning the approved public potable water supply which may be affected.

L.1942, c. 308, p. 1140, s. 3. Amended by L.1966, c. 47, s. 2, eff. May 24, 1966.

58:11-9.4. Forms; rules and regulations

The State department shall establish such rules and regulations, as in its judgment may be necessary for the design, installation, testing and maintenance of an approved physical connection, and shall establish such form or forms as in its judgment may be necessary to ascertain the facts that the approved physical connection is of the standard required and is operating in a satisfactory manner in accordance with the rules, regulations, or statutes set forth in section 3 of this act, and such other forms as may be necessary to

the proper administration of this act.

Each application for the installation of an approved physical connection, and for the continuance of the approved physical connection, shall be made upon forms supplied by the State department.

L.1942, c. 308, p. 1141, s. 4. Amended by L.1966, c. 47, s. 3, eff. May 24, 1966.

58:11-9.5. Revocation of permit restoration

Upon evidence duly ascertained by the State department, or by the commissioner of health, or furnished to the department by any local board of health, or by the owner of an approved public water supply, that the person authorized under a permit issued under the provisions of this act to maintain an approved physical connection, is violating any of the rules, regulations, or statutes governing such physical connection, the State department or the commissioner of health shall, upon hearing, revoke such permit.

No such permit shall be renewed or restored until the State department is satisfied that all the provisions of this act are or have been strictly complied with.

L.1942, c. 308, p. 1141, s. 5. Amended by L.1966, c. 47, s. 4, eff. May 24, 1966.

58:11-9.6. Renewal of permit, prerequisites to

The State department, before it renews any permit, shall be satisfied of the following facts:

(a) That the approved physical connection has been tested for tightness under prevailing pressure conditions at least every 3 months;

(b) That the approved physical connection has been subjected to an internal inspection within 6 months prior to the application; and

(c) That the local board of health, the State department, and the owner of the water supply set forth in section 3 of this act, have determined that the approved physical connection was functioning satisfactorily.

L.1942, c. 308, p. 1141, s. 6. Amended by L.1966, c. 47, s. 5, eff. May 24, 1966.

58:11-9.7. Inspection of connection

The physical connection provided for in section two of this act shall be inspected by the engineers or inspectors of the State Department, by the local board of health whose approved public potable water supply may be affected, or, by the owner of the approved public potable water supply which may be affected.

L.1942, c. 308, p. 1142, s. 7.

58:11-9.8. Violations; other laws respecting remedies not affected

Whoever violates any of the provisions of section two of this act shall be liable to a penalty of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) for each offense, and each day's continuance of a violation after notice to abate or remove the unapproved physical connection shall have been given by the State Department, the local board of health having jurisdiction over the place where such violation was committed, or, the owner of the approved potable public water supply which is or may be affected by such violation, shall constitute a separate offense. Nothing in this section shall be construed to modify or otherwise affect any other law or statute conferring upon any local board of health or the owner of any approved potable public water supply the power or authority to institute any proceedings in any court of this State for the recovery of any penalty for, or obtaining any injunction against, the pollution of any of the public supplies of potable waters in this State.

L.1942, c. 308, p. 1142, s. 8.

58:11-9.9. Recovery of penalties, procedure

9. Any penalty incurred under any of the provisions of section 8 of this act shall be recovered in a civil action in the name of the State department, a local board of health, or the owner of the supply specified in said section eight. Such action may be maintained in the Superior Court or any municipal court, and jurisdiction is conferred upon said courts, within their respective territorial jurisdictions, to hear and determine such actions.

L.1942,c.308,s.9; amended 1953,c.54,s.21; 1991,c.91,s.529.

58:11-9.10. Injunctive relief against violations

If any person, corporation, or municipality, or any municipal authority shall violate any of the provisions of sections two and five of this act, the State department, whether or not the penalty prescribed by section eight of this act shall have been sued for or recovered, may institute a civil action in the Superior Court in the name of the State on the relation of the department for injunctive relief to prohibit the further violation of said sections two and five.

The local board of health having jurisdiction over the place where such offense was committed, or the owner of the potable water supply which is or may be affected by such offense, whether or not such penalty shall have been sued for or recovered, may institute a civil action in the Superior Court in the name of such board or owner for injunctive relief to prohibit further violation of the said sections two and five.

L.1942, c. 308, p. 1143, s. 10. Amended by L.1953, c. 54, p. 959, s. 22.

58:11-9.11. Approval of application by local board or owner not required

Nothing in this article shall be construed as requiring the local board of health or the owner of the supply specified in section three of this act, to approve an application to establish a physical connection.

L.1942, c. 308, p. 1143, s. 11.