

## COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

### DIVISION OF CODES AND STANDARDS

Notice of Readoption

Liquified Petroleum Gas

Readoption: N.J.A.C. 5:18

Authority: N.J.S.A. 21:1B-2 and 52:27D-509

Authorized By: Jacquelyn A. Suárez, Commissioner, Department of Community Affairs

Effective Date: \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

New Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_, 2031.

**Take notice** that, pursuant to the provisions of Executive Order No. 66 (1978) and N.J.S.A. 52:14B-5.1, the rules at N.J.A.C. 5:18 were scheduled to expire on August 1, 2024. These rules are intended to protect public health, safety, and welfare by providing minimum standards for the design, construction, location, installation, and operation of liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) systems, as well as requirements regarding licensing of LPG marketers, audits, quality control, and consumer protection pursuant to N.J.S.A. 21:1B-2 and 52:27D-509, the Propane Gas Customer Protection Act.

This chapter contains 11 subchapters. Subchapters 1 and 2 contain general provisions and definitions. Subchapters 3, 4, and 5 adopt NFPA and API standards by reference. Subchapter 6 contains rules for the release of plans or submittal of notice of LPG installation and approval of new LPG systems. Subchapter 7 contains violations, administrative penalties, and hearings. Subchapters 8 and 9 set forth the rules for inspections and quality control maintenance audits. Subchapter 10 contains the licensing requirements and Subchapter 11 lists additional required

information. Finally, there are three appendices; availability of standards and publications referred to in this chapter, additional forms, and the disclosure of customer rights and company policies.

The Department of Community Affairs has reviewed the rules and has determined that they should be readopted without amendment. The rules are necessary, reasonable, and proper for the purpose for which they were originally promulgated. Therefore, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:14B-5.1.c, these rules are readopted and shall continue in effect for a seven-year period.