



# Compliance Advisory

NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION  
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## Do You Have an Air Permit That Starts with PCP96 Or PCP97? It May Be Time to Update Your Permit

### WHO IS AFFECTED BY THIS ADVISORY?

Any facility in New Jersey that is operating equipment under a PCP96 or PCP97 permit, especially boilers less than 50 MMBtu/hour and all emergency generators greater than 1.0 MMBtu/hour. If you obtained an approved permit in 1997 or earlier, you have a PCP96 or PCP97 permit. The permit number will begin with PCP96 or PCP97, for example PCP960001 or PCP970001.

### WHY IS DEP ISSUING THIS ADVISORY?

To encourage facilities with older air permits to review their permits and potentially opt into another option. There are three reasons to update your permits:

1. **Cost Savings:** If there is a general permit that applies to your equipment the facility will benefit from a cost savings every time the permit comes up for renewal.
2. **Updated Equipment:** Permits do not transfer from one piece of equipment to another. If equipment was replaced and a new permit was not obtained the facility may be paying for a permit for equipment that no longer exists. Additionally, the current equipment is considered unpermitted and is in non-compliance of N.J.A.C. 7:27-8 et seq.
3. **Updated Compliance Requirements:** The PCP96 or PCP97 air permits may not include Federal and State regulations promulgated since issuance. There have been new regulations for both emergency generators and boilers that have been implemented since 1997. PCP96 and PCP97 permits do not reference these regulations but facilities are still required to comply with all of the requirements. If a permit is updated, it will include all current applicable regulations thereby assisting a facility in maintaining compliance.

### WHAT IS DEP DOING?

The Department and its County-counterparts will be conducting inspections in the near future. Appropriate enforcement actions will be issued to all violators. Enforcement actions may include penalty assessments in accordance with N.J.A.C. 7:27A – Air Administrative Procedures and Penalties.

### WHAT SHOULD I DO?

Review your current permits and review the general permits that are available at <https://www.state.nj.us/dep/aqpp/gp.html>

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If there is a general permit applicable for your equipment, consider replacing your current PCP96 or PCP97 permit with the general permit.

If you have questions that relate to compliance with your permit conditions and/or the regulations, contact the appropriate Air Compliance & Enforcement office listed below according to where the county that your facility is located. Ask to speak to a duty officer or contact your NJDEP inspector (if you know who your inspector is).

## WHO SHOULD I CONTACT WITH QUESTIONS?

<b>NJDEP Air Quality Permitting</b>	<b>609-292-9258</b> <a href="mailto:aqppls@dep.nj.gov">aqppls@dep.nj.gov</a>
<b>Air Compliance and Enforcement - Northern Field Office</b> Covering Bergen, Essex, Hudson, Hunterdon, Morris, Passaic, Somerset, Sussex, Warren, and Union Counties	<b>973-656-4444</b> <a href="mailto:AirCE-Northern@dep.nj.gov">AirCE-Northern@dep.nj.gov</a>
<b>Air Compliance and Enforcement – Central Field Office</b> Covering Burlington, Mercer, Middlesex, Monmouth, and Ocean Counties	<b>609-292-3187</b> <a href="mailto:AirCE-Central@dep.nj.gov">AirCE-Central@dep.nj.gov</a>
<b>Air Compliance and Enforcement – Southern Field Office</b> Covering Atlantic, Camden, Cape May, Cumberland, Gloucester, and Salem Counties	<b>856-614-3601</b> <a href="mailto:AirCE-Southern@dep.nj.gov">AirCE-Southern@dep.nj.gov</a>

## WHERE CAN I GET MORE INFORMATION?

The following web sites can be accessed for additional information regarding this advisory:

- Division of Air Quality Permitting Program website (for information about Air Quality Permits): <http://www.state.nj.us/dep/aqpp/>
- For general NJDEP information (Contact NJDEP): <http://www.nj.gov/cgi-bin/dep/contactdep.pl>
- To comment on this advisory: <http://www.nj.gov/dep/enforcement/survey.html>

*This advisory is intended to be a summary explanation of a department initiative. It does not include all potentially applicable requirements. If you have any questions related to compliance with this initiative, please contact the Enforcement numbers listed above.*