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SPECIAL NOTICE

NEW ILLINOIS RULE FOR SOLVENT CLEANING OPERATIONS

The Illinois EPA has issued a new regulation addressing Solvent Cleaning Operations. **The rule covers virtually any facility in the Chicago metro area that uses solvent cleaners containing Volatile Organic Materials (VOM)**, including cold cleaning (i.e. parts washers), vapor degreasing, wipe cleaning, spray gun cleaning, equipment cleaning, floor cleaning and tank cleaning.

Facilities are covered even if they do not have an air permit and believe they have no air pollution. The intent is to identify and regulate air emissions of VOM compounds.

A certification statement is required to be submitted to the Agency by April 1, 2011, for all facilities that have solvent cleaning operations; including facilities that only have exempt cleaning operations.

The certification includes documentation for:

- all of the VOM containing solvent cleaning operations at your facility,
- how each cleaning operation will comply with the various solvent cleaning regulatory requirements and limits

Many exemptions are listed in the new rule, which means that many facilities are already in compliance if they meet one or more of the exemptions. **But they still must submit the certification statement.**

Admiral can assist in reviewing your solvent cleaning operations and determine if your facility is subject to the new rule. We can identify if any exemptions apply, prepare the certification statement, and if necessary, discuss the compliance options that are best suited for your situation.

If you would like **Admiral** to evaluate your operation, please give us a call or contact me at Steve@Admiralenv.com.

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