CHAPTER 114C

ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATORY INNOVATIONS

114C.21 Definitions.

114C.24 Enforcement.

114C.21 DEFINITIONS.

[For text of subds 1 to 7, see M.S.2000]

Subd. 8. **Major facility.** "Major facility" means an industrial or municipal wastewater discharge major facility as defined in rules of the agency; a feedlot that is permitted for 1,000 or more animal units; a large quantity hazardous waste generator as defined in rules of the agency; a hazardous waste treatment, storage, or disposal facility that is required to have a permit under the federal Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, United States Code, title 42, section 6925; or a major source as defined in Minnesota Rules, parts 7007.0100, subpart 13, and 7007.0200, subpart 2.

[For text of subds 10 to 12, see M.S.2000]

History: 2001 c 187 s 1

114C.24 ENFORCEMENT.

[For text of subds 1 and 2, see M.S.2000]

- Subd. 3. Exceptions. Notwithstanding subdivisions 1 and 2, the state may at any time bring:
- (1) a criminal enforcement action against any person who commits a violation under section 609.671;
- (2) a civil or administrative enforcement action, which may include a penalty, under section 115.071 or 116.072, against the owner or operator of a facility if:
- (i) the owner or operator discloses a violation in the audit report required under section 114C.22, which (A) was part of an enforcement action initiated in the previous three years involving the imposition of a monetary penalty, or (B) occurred within one year after resolution of an enforcement action which did not include the imposition of a monetary penalty;
- (ii) the owner or operator discloses a violation in the audit report required under section 114C.22 which was also disclosed in a previous audit report submitted within the last year;
- (iii) a violation caused serious harm to, or presents an imminent and substantial endangerment to, human health or the environment;
- (iv) a violation is of the specific terms of an administrative order, a judicial order or consent decree, a stipulation agreement, or a schedule of compliance;
- (v) a violation has resulted in a substantial economic benefit which gives the violator a clear advantage over its business competitors; or
- (vi) a violation is identified through a legally mandated monitoring or sampling requirement prescribed by statute, regulation, permit, judicial or administrative order, or consent agreement; or
- (3) an enforcement action against the owner or operator of a facility to enjoin an imminent and substantial danger under section 116.11.

[For text of subds 4 to 6, see M.S.2000]

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