

**18D.315 ADMINISTRATIVE PENALTIES.**

Subdivision 1. **Assessment.** (a) In determining the amount of the administrative penalty, the commissioner shall consider the economic gain received by the person allowing or committing the violation, the gravity of the violation in terms of actual or potential damage to human health and the environment, and the violator's culpability, good faith, and history of violations.

(b) The commissioner may assess an administrative penalty of up to \$1,500 per day for a violation of a corrective action order or remedial action order.

(c) An administrative penalty may be assessed if the person subject to a corrective action order or remedial action order does not comply with the order in the time provided in the order. The commissioner must state the amount of the administrative penalty in the corrective action order or remedial action order.

Subd. 2. **Collection of penalty.** (a) If a person subject to an administrative penalty fails to pay the penalty, which must be part of a final order by the commissioner, by 30 days after the final order is issued, the commissioner may commence a civil action for double the assessed penalty plus attorney fees and costs.

(b) An administrative penalty may be recovered in a civil action in the name of the state brought in the district court of the county where the violation is alleged to have occurred or the district court where the commissioner has an office.

**History:** 1989 c 326 art 7 s 11