



Ohio Administrative Code Rule 1501:9-8-01 Definitions.

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As used in Chapter 1501:9-8 of the Administrative Code:

- (A) "Blowout" means an unplanned and uncontrolled flow of fluids or gases from a well when that well cannot be controlled by previously installed barriers or devices.
- (B) "Environment" means navigable waters and any other surface water, groundwater, drinking water supply, land surface, subsurface strata, or ambient air.
- (C) "Emergency Management Zone" has the same meaning as in paragraph (Y) of rule 3745-42-01 of the Administrative Code.
- (D) "Emergency responder" means either of the following:
- (1) A representative of a "fire department" as defined in section 3750.01 of the Revised Code; or
 - (2) A person performing "emergency medical services" as defined in section 4765.01 of the Revised Code.
- (E) "Extremely hazardous substance" has the same meaning as in rule 3750-20-30 of the Administrative Code.
- (F) "Hazardous substance" has the same meaning as in rule 3750-20-50 of the Administrative Code.
- (G) "Owner" has the same meaning as in section 1509.01 of the Revised Code.
- (H) "Production Operation" has the same meaning as in section 1509.01 of the Revised Code.
- (I) "Release" means any spilling, leaking, pumping, pouring, emitting, emptying, discharging,



injecting, escaping, leaching, dumping, or disposing of into the environment that is not authorized under Chapter 1509. of the Revised Code or under division 1501:9 of the Administrative Code.

"Release" does not include any spilling, leaking, pumping, pouring, emitting, emptying, discharging, injecting, escaping, leaching, dumping, or disposing of into the environment that is in compliance with Chapter 1509, 3704, 3734, or 6111 of the Revised Code or rules adopted under those chapters, the terms or conditions of a current and valid permit or license, or order, issued thereunder, or a plan approval made thereunder.

(J) "Reporting person" means an owner, a person to whom an order or permit is issued under Chapter 1509. of the Revised Code or under division 1501:9 of the Administrative Code authorizing an activity or a person engaged in an activity regulated under Chapter 1509. of the Revised Code or under division 1501:9 of the Administrative Code, a person to whom a registration certificate is issued under section 1509.222 of the Revised Code, or a person engaged in an activity pursuant to section 1509.226 of the Revised Code.

(K) "Secondary containment" means structures such as berms, dikes, retaining walls, curbing or drip pans, sumps, retention pads or basins, perimeter ditches, perimeter underdrain systems or other collection systems, including those listed in 40 C.F.R. 112.7(c)(1), in effect on the effective date of this rule, capable of containing any release, from a primary containment system such that the release will not escape the secondary containment system before cleanup occurs.

[The Code of Federal Regulations (C.F.R.) reference listed in this paragraph generally can be found in public libraries or electronically at the website <http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys.>]

(L) "Urban Area" means an area within the boundaries of a municipal corporation or within the boundaries of a township that has an unincorporated population of more than five thousand in the most recent federal decennial census.

(M) "Waters of the state" has the same meaning as in section 1509.01 of the Revised Code.