

COVID-19-Emergency Request to Temporarily Suspend
Regulatory Requirements and/or Permit Conditions

In accordance with Governor Wolf’s Proclamation of Disaster Emergency of March 6, 2020 and the Governor’s powers pursuant to the Emergency Management Code, 35 Pa.C.S. §7301, the Governor has authority to suspend regulatory obligations and other legal obligations within his jurisdiction where strict compliance will prevent, hinder, or delay necessary action in coping with the COVID-19 emergency.

*If you are requesting suspension of a Federal requirement, under only Federal authority, please contact US EPA Region III and refer to the US EPA March 26, 2020 Memorandum (COVID-19 Implications for EPA’s Enforcement and Compliance Assurance Program). To the extent the request relates to a federal program delegated to Pennsylvania, Pennsylvania will review requests submitted in this format.

Submit completed and signed requests to the email resource account:
RA-EPCOVID19SuspReq@pa.gov

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| Background |
| <p>A. Identify the Regulated Entity or Permittee, including an address for the location of the permitted or regulated activity (if no address, DEP Permit No. can be used), and a point of contact for this request with email and phone number. Hodge Foundry Inc- 42 Leech Road Greenville, PA 16125 Nate Goldowski- (440)864-8656, ngoldowski@elyriafoundry.com</p> |
| <p>B. Describe what permitted or regulated activity you are engaged in. State Only Operating Permit- Synthetic Minor Air Permit Application Renewal Due Date of May 31, 2020</p> |
| <p>C. If you were issued a permit by DEP for the permitted or regulated activity described above, identify the type of permit and permit number. Please list the DEP Office, Conservation District, Oil and Gas District Office, or District Mining Office that issued the permit or authorization. Operating Permit #- 43-00036 Synthetic Minor Air Permit- Air Quality Program</p> |
| <p>D. Identify what regulatory requirement(s) or permit condition(s) or other requirement(s) you seek a temporary suspension of. Please cite the specific regulatory requirement(s), condition(s) and/or other requirement(s). Renewal Application pursuant to operating permit and 25 Pa. Code 127.446(e). renewal application must be submitted at least 6 months, but not more than 18 months before the expiration date of the current permit. Expiration date for the current permit is 10/30/2020. Renewal application due by May 31, 2020.</p> |

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| Reasons for Requested Suspension |
| <p>For each regulatory requirement or permit condition or requirement listed above, please state clearly why you are seeking the temporary suspension, addressing at least the following in detail:</p> |
| <p>A. How will strict compliance with the subject requirement(s) prevent, hinder, or delay necessary action in coping with the COVID-19 emergency? Be as specific as possible.</p> |

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| <p>Due to the uncertainty surrounding the state of our business which is heavily dicated by large capital expendutures, we are going through plant shut downs. COVID-19 has caused markets and customers to stop orders which has in turn caused Hodge Foundries current and future state to be in jeopardy. the uncertainty and lack of orders/business is creating a situation that is jeopardizing the future state of the business and with an extension granted for the renewal date, it will allow our business to determine what the future state will be moving forward.</p> |
| <p>B. How has COVID-19 restricted your ability to comply with the environmental regulatory requirement, permit condition or other requirements for which you are seeking a suspension? As the future state of the business is decided in the coming weeks/month we can better determine what the future business state of the organization will be.</p> |
| <p>C. What other aspects or parts of your operation(s) are being shut down or are not functioning due to the COVID-19 restrictions? And, are you requesting any suspensions or waiver(s) from other government agencies? If so, from what agencies and for what requirements? plant wide operation shut down that will be in regard to all operations. no other requests are being made from other agnecies.</p> |
| <p>D. What alternate compliance options have you explored to address the issues or environmental compliance hurdles with which you are confronted? As an orgnaization we are continuing to maintain compliance with our current permit.</p> |
| <p>E. Do you believe cost gouging or supply hoarding is negatively effecting your ability to comply? If so, please explain and provide cost information and/or availability information from your supply chain history. N/A</p> |
| <p>F. How long do you expect to be unable to comply with the regulatory requirement(s), permit condition(s) or other requirement and identify what circumstances must exist for you to return to compliance. Specify the period of time for which you are requesting the suspension. Suspensions will not be issued initially beyond June 30, 2020. We are requesting a waiver on our renewal application until June 30, 2020 to better determine what the future state of our business will be.</p> |
| <p>G. If applicable, identify how you will account for all reporting obligations for the period of noncompliance. All reporting and complicance requirements in our current permit will continue to be me met moving forward with the exception of meeting our renewal application deadline date of May 31, 2020.</p> |

Evaluate Risk to Public Health and the Environment

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| <p>A. Will the temporary suspension, if granted, result in an increase in the risk of additional pollution (e.g. increased emissions, increased concentrations of any pollutant and/or releases of new or more pollutants) and/or will it result in less monitoring, reporting, and/or supervision of pollution incidents, accidents or equipment failures? No. current obligations and permit requirements will continue to be met.</p> |
| <p>(i) If yes, please identify what pollutants and the nature of the risk.</p> |
| <p>(ii) If yes, please identify the potential extent of increased pollution, including any increases in risk to human health, safety or the environment.</p> |
| <p>(iii) If no, explain how increased pollution will be avoided. We will continue to meet the requirements of our current permit</p> |
| <p>B. What public health and/or safety benefits will result if the temporary suspension is granted? Temporary suspension/extension would grant us time to determine what the future state of our organization will be.</p> |
| <p>C. Is the restriction on your ability to comply generally applicable to others engaged in your industrial classification or industry? If no, please explain why your situation is unique. Our situation is unique. Our business is heavily predicted by large capital projects in the overall economy and with the state of the economy due to COVID-19, our future state is heavily unknown and due to this we are requesting an extension of 60 days to determine what the future state of our business will be.</p> |
| <p>D. Would you possess a unique advantage over your competitors, or others in the same industry, if a suspension is granted? This extension/suspension would better allow us to determine our ability to operate in the future due to the market conditions effected by COVID-19</p> |
| <p>E. What would be the negative consequences to your operation if the temporary suspension is not granted? What would be the negative consequences to the Commonwealth's response to the COVID-19 emergency if your requested temporary suspension is not granted?</p> |

CERTIFICATION

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Pursuant to the prohibition against unsworn falsification to authorities, 18 Pa.C.S.A. §4904, I am an authorized representative of the requestor and have personal knowledge of the facts set forth in this temporary suspension request.

I hereby certify that the information provided herein is true and accurate.

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Signature and title of Certifier *EHS Manager*

Nate Goldowski EHS Manager

Print Name and Title

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