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### EPA to reconsider RICE rules

On January 30, 2013, EPA finalized revisions to the National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for Reciprocating Internal Combustion Engines and New Source Performance Standards for Stationary Internal Combustion Engines. EPA has announced that they are reconsidering three specific issues in these rules after petitions for reconsideration were received. The three issues are:

- 1) the timing for compliance with the ultra-low sulfur diesel fuel requirement for emergency compression ignition stationary engines that operate for emergency-demand response, voltage/frequency deviations or local reliability
- 2) the timing of and information required for the reporting requirement for emergency stationary engines that operate for emergency demand response, voltage/frequency deviations or local reliability
- 3) the conditions for operation of an engine for up to 50 hours annually in non-emergency situations as part of a financial arrangement with another entity

EPA is accepting public comment on the above issues until November 4, 2013 or 30 days after a public hearing is held, if requested. Please note, EPA will not respond to comments addressing any other issues at this time. Visit <http://www.epa.gov/ttn/atw/icengines/> or <http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2013-09-05/pdf/2013-21626.pdf> for more information.

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### Office of Business Support welcomes new printing sector specialist



By Lisa Gaumnitz, Public Affairs Manager, DNR Office of Communication

Printers now have a new sector specialist to turn to at the Department of Natural Resources for help in navigating and complying with state environmental laws affecting their businesses.

Jessica Lawent, a longtime DNR air management specialist, has been selected to serve as DNR's new **printing sector** specialist. She succeeds Kristin Hart, who was appointed chief of the Permits



& Modeling Section in the Bureau of Air Management in April.

Lawent will work with DNR's Office of Business Support and Sustainability, where she will help the industry with regulatory compliance issues along with developing businesses across the sector to be more competitive, profitable and sustainable.

"Jessica brings a rich history of helping small and medium businesses understand and comply with environmental regulations," says OBSS Director Al Shea. "I am confident she will help Wisconsin's vital printing industry succeed in a highly competitive national market."

Lawent has a diverse background in environmental management and currently works as a DNR air management specialist helping fleets reduce vehicle emissions and assisting businesses through the Wisconsin Partners for Clean Air program. She will continue to work for DNR's Air Program while also working as DNR's printing sector specialist. Before working on air regulatory issues, Lawent served as DNR's community mercury sector development specialist.

"This is a great opportunity for me--I am excited to start working with an industry that is a state leader in sustainable businesses and thrives economically," said Lawent. "The industry is very enthusiastic about its accomplishments and I feel I can help it make even more progress."

As the printing sector development specialist, Lawent plans to enhance business and DNR relations, advise companies on sustainable business practices and creative solutions to environmental issues, and help companies apply for and obtain grants to implement innovative measures. She can be reached by phone at 414-263-8653 and by email at [Jessica.Lawent@wisconsin.gov](mailto:Jessica.Lawent@wisconsin.gov).

Editor's note: This story was originally posted in the [August 20 issue of the DNR Weekly News](#).

## Air Management Study Group promotes collaboration on air issues

The DNR Air Management Program has established an Air Management Study Group to provide constructive feedback on the opportunities and challenges presented by a broad spectrum of new air issues and work collaboratively with the Program to find workable solutions. The Group held its second meeting on August 22, 2013 and is scheduled to meet quarterly. With 11 members, the Group will be supported by ad hoc working groups. In the near term, the Group is working on the air permit streamlining rule and setting up subgroups on several technical topics. For more information on the Study Group and upcoming meetings, please visit <http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/AirQuality/AMStudyGroup.html>.



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