HOUSE BILL No. 5878

June 14, 1990, Introduced by Reps. Alley, Bartnik, Stupak, Kosteva, Niederstadt, Hart, Brown, DeBeaussaert, Hickner and Gubow and referred to the Committee on Conservation, Recreation and Environment.

A bill to amend the title and sections 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, and 10 of Act No. 307 of the Public Acts of 1982, entitled as amended

"The environmental response act,"

section 3 as amended by Act No. 388 of the Public Acts of 1984, being sections 299.601, 299.603, 299.604, 299.605, 299.606, 299.607, 299.609, and 299.610 of the Michigan Compiled Laws; to add sections 11a, 11b, 12, 12a, 12b, 12c, 12d, 12e, 12f, 12g, 12h, 12i, 12j, 12k, 12l, 12m, 12n, 12o, 12p, 12q, 12r, and 12s; and to repeal certain parts of the act.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Section 1. The title and sections 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, and
- 2 10 of Act No. 307 of the Public Acts of 1982, section 3 as
- 3 amended by Act No. 388 of the Public Acts of 1984, being sections
- 4 299.601, 299.603, 299.604, 299.605, 299.606, 299.607, 299.609,

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- 1 and 299.610 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, are amended and
- 2 sections 11a, 11b, 12, 12a, 12b, 12c, 12d, 12e, 12f, 12g, 12h,
- 3 12i, 12j, 12k, 12l, 12m, 12n, 12o, 12p, 12q, 12r, and 12s are
- 4 added to read as follows:
- 5 TITLE
- 6 An act to provide for the identification, risk assessment,
- 7 and priority evaluation of environmental contamination at certain
- 8 sites in this state; to provide for response activity AT CERTAIN
- 9 FACILITIES AND SITES; to prescribe certain powers and duties of
- 10 the governor and certain state agencies and officials; to provide
- 11 for the promulgation of rules; TO REQUIRE RECORD NOTICE REGARDING
- 12 THE STATUS OF CERTAIN FACILITIES; to create an environmental
- 13 response fund, a Michigan unclaimed bottle fund, and a long term
- 14 maintenance trust fund CERTAIN FUNDS AND PROVIDE FOR THEIR
- 15 EXPENDITURE; TO PROVIDE FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION; TO AUTHORIZE
- 16 GRANTS; to create a long-term maintenance trust fund board and to
- 17 prescribe its powers and duties; TO PROVIDE FOR JUDICIAL REVIEW;
- 18 and to provide certain remedies and penalties.
- 19 Sec. 1. The legislature hereby finds and declares:
- 20 (a) That there exist in this state certain -sites
- 21 FACILITIES containing hazardous substances -which THAT pose a
- 22 danger to the public health, safety, -and- OR welfare, -and- OR
- 23 to the environment of this state.
- 24 (b) That there is a need to provide for a method of elimi-
- 25 nating the danger of environmental contamination caused by the
- 26 existence of hazardous substances at -those sites WITHIN THE
- 27 STATE.

- 1 (c) That it is the purpose of this act to provide for
- 2 appropriate response activity to eliminate the environmental con-
- 3 tamination caused by the presence of hazardous substances at
- 4 -those- sites WITHIN THE STATE.
- 5 (D) THAT THERE IS A NEED FOR ADDITIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE AND
- 6 JUDICIAL REMEDIES TO SUPPLEMENT EXISTING STATUTORY AND COMMON LAW
- 7 REMEDIES.
- 8 (E) THAT THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE COST OF RESPONSE ACTIVI-
- 9 TIES PERTAINING TO A RELEASE OR THREAT OF RELEASE AND REPAIRING
- 10 INJURY, DESTRUCTION, OR LOSS TO NATURAL RESOURCES CAUSED BY A
- 11 RELEASE OR THREAT OF RELEASE SHOULD NOT BE PLACED UPON THE PUBLIC
- 12 EXCEPT WHEN FUNDS CANNOT BE COLLECTED FROM, OR A RESPONSE ACTIV-
- 13 ITY CANNOT BE UNDERTAKEN BY, A PERSON LIABLE UNDER THIS ACT.
- 14 (F) THAT TO THE EXTENT POSSIBLE, CONSISTENT WITH REQUIRE-
- 15 MENTS UNDER THIS ACT AND RULES PROMULGATED UNDER THIS ACT,
- 16 RESPONSE ACTIVITIES SHALL BE UNDERTAKEN BY PERSONS LIABLE UNDER
- 17 THIS ACT.
- 18 (G) THAT THIS ACT IS INTENDED TO PROVIDE REMEDIES FOR FACIL-
- 19 ITIES POSING ANY THREAT TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY, OR WELFARE
- 20 OR TO THE ENVIRONMENT, REGARDLESS OF WHETHER THE RELEASE OR
- 21 THREAT OF RELEASE OF A HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE OCCURRED BEFORE OR
- 22 AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ACT, AND FOR THIS PURPOSE THIS
- 23 ACT SHALL BE GIVEN RETROACTIVE APPLICATION.
- 24 (H) THAT MONEY SHOULD BE APPROPRIATED BY THE LEGISLATURE
- 25 FROM THE GENERAL FUND AND FUNDS GENERATED FROM THE SALE OF BONDS
- 26 FOR RESPONSE ACTIVITIES TAKING INTO CONSIDERATION THE ORDER THAT
- 27 SITES ARE ON THE LIST DESCRIBED IN SECTION 6(1)(D).

- 1 (I) THAT A SITE THAT IS OWNED BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, THE
- 2 STATE, OR A LOCAL UNIT OF GOVERNMENT SHOULD NOT BE TREATED DIF-
- 3 FERENTLY IN TERMS OF THE EXPENDITURE OF MONEY FOR RESPONSE ACTIV-
- 4 ITIES THAN ANY OTHER SITE ON THE LIST.
- 5 (J) THAT IF A PERSON THAT MAY BE LIABLE UNDER SECTION 12 IS
- 6 THE STATE OR ANY POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE, OR A LOCAL
- 7 UNIT OF GOVERNMENT, THIS ACT SHOULD BE ENFORCED BY THE ATTORNEY
- 8 GENERAL AND THE DEPARTMENT IN THE SAME MANNER AS IT WOULD BE FOR
- 9 ANY OTHER PERSON THAT MAY BE LIABLE UNDER SECTION 12.
- 10 (K) THAT PRIOR TO EXPENDING MONEY TO UNDERTAKE REMEDIAL
- 11 ACTION AT A SITE, THE DEPARTMENT SHOULD ASSURE A PRIVATE OR
- 12 PUBLIC FUNDING SOURCE, OR A COMBINATION OF FUNDING SOURCES, THAT
- 13 IS SUFFICIENT TO ASSURE THAT THE RESPONSE ACTIVITIES AT THE SITE
- 14 PROCEED WITHOUT INTERRUPTIONS CAUSED BY INSUFFICIENT FINANCIAL
- 15 RESOURCES UNTIL THE SITE MEETS OR EXCEEDS THE STANDARDS ESTAB-
- 16 LISHED BY THE DEPARTMENT FOR THAT SITE.
- 17 Sec. 3. As used in this act:
- 18 (A) "ACT OF GOD" MEANS AN UNANTICIPATED GRAVE NATURAL
- 19 DISASTER OR OTHER NATURAL PHENOMENON OF AN EXCEPTIONAL, INEVITA-
- 20 BLE, AND IRRESISTIBLE CHARACTER, THE EFFECTS OF WHICH COULD NOT
- 21 HAVE BEEN PREVENTED OR AVOIDED BY THE EXERCISE OF DUE CARE OR
- 22 FORESIGHT.
- 23 (B) -(a) "Attorney general" means the department of the
- 24 attorney general.
- 25 (C) "DEPARTMENT" MEANS THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF
- 26 NATURAL RESOURCES OR HIS OR HER DESIGNEE.

- 1 (D) "DIRECTOR" MEANS THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF 2 NATURAL RESOURCES.
- 3 (E) (b) "Directors" means the directors or their designees
- 4 of the departments of natural resources, public health, agricul-
- 5 ture, AND state police. , and the toxic substance control
- 6 commission.
- 7 (c) "Environment" means any surface water, ground water,
- 8 drinking water supply, land surface, subsurface strata, or ambi-
- 9 ent air within the state.
- 10 (F) "DISPOSAL" MEANS THE DISCHARGE, DEPOSIT, INJECTION,
- 11 DUMPING, SPILLING, LEAKING, OR PLACING OF ANY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE
- 12 INTO OR ON ANY LAND OR WATER SO THAT THE HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE OR
- 13 ANY CONSTITUENT OF THE HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE MAY ENTER THE ENVIRON-
- 14 MENT OR BE EMITTED INTO THE AIR OR DISCHARGED INTO ANY GROUNDWA-
- 15 TER OR SURFACE WATER.
- 16 (G) "ENFORCEMENT COSTS" MEANS COURT EXPENSES, REASONABLE
- 17 ATTORNEY FEES OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, AND OTHER REASONABLE
- 18 EXPENSES OF AN EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT THAT ARE INCURRED IN RELATION
- 19 TO ENFORCEMENT UNDER THIS ACT OR RULES PROMULGATED UNDER THIS
- 20 ACT, OR BOTH.
- 21 (H) "ENVIRONMENT" OR "NATURAL RESOURCES" MEANS ANY LAND,
- 22 SURFACE WATER, GROUNDWATER, SUBSURFACE, STRATA, AIR, FISH, WILD-
- 23 LIFE, OR BIOTA WITHIN THE STATE.
- 24 (I) (d) "Environmental contamination" means the release of
- 25 a hazardous substance, or the potential release of a discarded
- 26 hazardous substance, in a quantity, which is or may become

- 1 injurious to the environment, or to the public health, safety, or 2 welfare.
- 3 (J) (e) "Evaluation" means those activities including but
- 4 not limited to investigation, studies, sampling, analysis,
- 5 alternate response activity plans DEVELOPMENT OF FEASIBILITY
- 6 STUDIES, and administrative efforts, -which THAT are needed to
- 7 determine the nature, extent, and impact of a release OR THREAT
- 8 OF RELEASE AND NECESSARY RESPONSE ACTIVITIES.
- 9 (K) "FACILITY" MEANS ANY AREA, PLACE, OR PROPERTY WHERE A
- 10 HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE HAS BEEN RELEASED, DEPOSITED, STORED, DIS-
- 11 POSED OF, OR OTHERWISE COMES TO BE LOCATED.
- 12 (1) "FEASIBILITY STUDY" MEANS A PROCESS FOR DEVELOPING,
- 13 EVALUATING, AND SELECTING APPROPRIATE RESPONSE ACTIVITIES.
- 14 (M) (Fund" means the environmental response fund
- 15 established in section 9.
- 16 (N) -(g) "Hazardous substance" means -a 1 OR MORE OF THE
- 17 FOLLOWING:
- 18 (i) A chemical or other material which is or may become
- 19 injurious to the public health, safety, or welfare or to the
- 20 environment.
- 21 (ii) "HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE" AS DEFINED IN THE COMPREHENSIVE
- 22 ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSE, COMPENSATION, AND LIABILITY ACT OF 1980,
- 23 PUBLIC LAW 96-510, 42 U.S.C. 9601 TO 9626, 9651 TO 9652, 9653 TO
- 24 9660, 9661 AND 9671 TO 9675.
- 25 (iii) "HAZARDOUS WASTE" AS DEFINED IN THE HAZARDOUS WASTE
- 26 MANAGEMENT ACT, ACT NO. 64 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1979, BEING
- 27 SECTIONS 299.501 TO 299.551 OF THE MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS.

- 1 (iv) "PETROLEUM" AS DEFINED IN THE LEAKING UNDERGROUND
- 2 STORAGE TANK ACT, ACT NO. 478 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1988, BEING
- 3 SECTIONS 299.831 TO 299.850 OF THE MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS.
- 4 (O) "INTERIM RESPONSE ACTIVITY" MEANS THE CLEANUP OR REMOVAL
- 5 OF A RELEASED HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE OR THE TAKING OF OTHER ACTIONS,
- 6 PRIOR TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF A REMEDIAL ACTION, AS MAY BE NEC-
- 7 ESSARY TO PREVENT, MINIMIZE, OR MITIGATE INJURY TO THE PUBLIC
- 8 HEALTH, SAFETY, OR WELFARE, OR TO THE ENVIRONMENT. INTERIM
- 9 RESPONSE ACTIVITY ALSO INCLUDES, BUT IS NOT LIMITED TO, MEASURES
- 10 TO LIMIT ACCESS, REPLACEMENT OF WATER SUPPLIES, AND TEMPORARY
- 11 RELOCATION OF PEOPLE AS DETERMINED TO BE NECESSARY BY THE
- 12 DEPARTMENT. IN ADDITION, INTERIM RESPONSE ACTIVITY MEANS THE
- 13 TAKING OF OTHER ACTIONS AS MAY BE NECESSARY TO PREVENT, MINIMIZE,
- 14 OR MITIGATE THE THREATENED RELEASE OF A HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE.
- 15 (P) "LOCAL UNIT OF GOVERNMENT" MEANS A COUNTY, CITY, TOWN-
- 16 SHIP, OR VILLAGE.
- 17 (Q) "OPERATOR" MEANS A PERSON WHO IS IN CONTROL OF OR
- 18 RESPONSIBLE FOR THE OPERATION OF A FACILITY. OPERATOR DOES NOT
- 19 INCLUDE ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 20 (i) A PERSON WHO, WITHOUT PARTICIPATING IN THE MANAGEMENT OF
- 21 THE PROPERTY, HOLDS INDICIA OF OWNERSHIP PRIMARILY TO PROTECT THE
- 22 PERSON'S SECURITY INTEREST IN THE PROPERTY.
- 23 (ii) THE STATE OR A LOCAL UNIT OF GOVERNMENT THAT ACQUIRED
- 24 OWNERSHIP OR CONTROL OF THE PROPERTY INVOLUNTARILY THROUGH BANK-
- 25 RUPTCY, TAX DELINQUENCY, ABANDONMENT, OR OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES IN
- 26 WHICH THE GOVERNMENT INVOLUNTARILY ACQUIRES TITLE OR CONTROL BY
- 27 VIRTUE OF ITS FUNCTION AS SOVEREIGN. IN CASE OF THIS INVOLUNTARY

- 1 ACQUISITION BY THE STATE OR A LOCAL UNIT OF GOVERNMENT, OPERATOR
- 2 MEANS A PERSON WHO WAS IN CONTROL OF OR RESPONSIBLE FOR OPERATION
- 3 OF THE PROPERTY IMMEDIATELY BEFORE THE STATE OR LOCAL UNIT OF
- 4 GOVERNMENT ACQUIRED OWNERSHIP OR CONTROL. THE EXCLUSION PROVIDED
- 5 IN THIS SUBPARAGRAPH SHALL NOT APPLY TO THE STATE OR A LOCAL UNIT
- 6 OF GOVERNMENT THAT CAUSED THE RELEASE OR THREAT OF A RELEASE OF A
- 7 HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE FROM THE FACILITY.
- 8 (iii) THE OPERATOR OF AN UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK SYSTEM, AS
- 9 DEFINED IN THE LEAKING UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK ACT, ACT NO. 478
- 10 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1988, BEING SECTIONS 299.831 TO 299.850 OF
- 11 THE MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS, FROM WHICH THERE IS A RELEASE OR
- 12 THREAT OF RELEASE IF ALL OF THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS ARE MET:
- (A) THE OPERATOR REPORTED THE RELEASE OR THREAT OF RELEASE
- 14 TO THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE, FIRE MARSHALL DIVISION, WITHIN
- 15 24 HOURS AFTER CONFIRMATION OF THE RELEASE OR THREAT OF RELEASE.
- 16 (B) THE RELEASE OR THREAT OF RELEASE AT THE FACILITY IS
- 17 SOLELY THE RESULT OF A RELEASE OR THREAT OF RELEASE OF A REGU-
- 18 LATED SUBSTANCE AS DEFINED IN ACT NO. 478 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF
- 19 1988, FROM AN UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK SYSTEM.
- 20 (C) THE OPERATOR IS IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF
- 21 ACT NO. 478 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1988, AND ANY PROMULGATED RULES
- 22 OR ANY ORDER, AGREEMENT, OR JUDGMENT ISSUED OR ENTERED INTO PUR-
- 23 SUANT TO THAT ACT.
- 24 (R) "OWNER" MEANS A PERSON WHO HOLDS A LEGAL, EQUITABLE, OR
- 25 POSSESSORY INTEREST OF ANY KIND IN PROPERTY ON WHICH A FACILITY
- 26 IS LOCATED. OWNER DOES NOT INCLUDE ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:

- 1 (i) A PERSON WHO, WITHOUT PARTICIPATING IN THE MANAGEMENT OF
- 2 THE PROPERTY, HOLDS INDICIA OF OWNERSHIP PRIMARILY TO PROTECT THE
- 3 PERSON'S SECURITY INTEREST IN THE PROPERTY.
- 4 (ii) THE STATE OR A LOCAL UNIT OF GOVERNMENT THAT ACQUIRED
- 5 OWNERSHIP OR CONTROL OF THE PROPERTY INVOLUNTARILY THROUGH BANK-
- 6 RUPTCY, TAX DELINOUENCY, ABANDONMENT, OR OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES IN
- 7 WHICH THE GOVERNMENT INVOLUNTARILY ACQUIRES TITLE OR CONTROL BY
- 8 VIRTUE OF ITS FUNCTION AS SOVEREIGN. IN CASE OF THIS INVOLUNTARY
- 9 ACQUISITION BY THE STATE OR A LOCAL UNIT OF GOVERNMENT, OWNER
- 10 MEANS ANY PERSON WHO OWNED OR CONTROLLED ACTIVITIES AT THE PROP-
- 11 ERTY IMMEDIATELY BEFORE THE STATE OR LOCAL UNIT OF GOVERNMENT
- 12 ACQUIRED OWNERSHIP OR CONTROL. THE EXCLUSION PROVIDED IN THIS
- 13 SUBPARAGRAPH SHALL NOT APPLY TO THE STATE OR A LOCAL UNIT OF GOV-
- 14 ERNMENT THAT CAUSED THE RELEASE OR THREAT OF A RELEASE OF A HAZ-
- 15 ARDOUS SUBSTANCE FROM THE FACILITY.
- 16 (iii) A PERSON WHO SATISFIES ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 17 (A) THE RELEASE WAS CAUSED SOLELY BY A THIRD PARTY, WHO IS
- 18 NOT AN EMPLOYEE OR AGENT OF THE PERSON, OR WHOSE ACTION WAS NOT
- 19 ASSOCIATED WITH A CONTRACTUAL RELATIONSHIP WITH THE PERSON.
- 20 (B) THE HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE WAS NOT DEPOSITED, STORED, OR
- 21 DISPOSED OF ON THAT PERSON'S PROPERTY.
- 22 (C) THE PERSON AT THE TIME OF TRANSFER OF THE PROPERTY DIS-
- 23 CLOSES ANY KNOWLEDGE OR INFORMATION CONCERNING THE GENERAL NATURE
- 24 AND EXTENT OF THE RELEASE AS REQUIRED IN SECTION 12K.
- 25 (1v) THE OWNER OF AN UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK SYSTEM, AS
- 26 DEFINED IN THE LEAKING UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK ACT, ACT NO. 478
- 27 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1988, BEING SECTIONS 299.831 TO 299.850 OF

- 1 THE MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS, FROM WHICH THERE IS A RELEASE OR
- 2 THREAT OF RELEASE IF ALL OF THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS ARE MET:
- 3 (A) THE OWNER REPORTED THE RELEASE OR THREAT OF RELEASE TO
- 4 THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE, FIRE MARSHALL DIVISION, WITHIN 24
- 5 HOURS AFTER CONFIRMATION OF THE RELEASE OR THREAT OF RELEASE.
- 6 (B) THE RELEASE OR THREAT OF RELEASE AT THE FACILITY IS
- 7 SOLELY THE RESULT OF A RELEASE OR THREAT OF RELEASE OF A REGU-
- 8 LATED SUBSTANCE AS DEFINED IN ACT NO. 478 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF
- 9 1988 FROM AN UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK SYSTEM.
- 10 (C) THE OWNER IS IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF ACT
- 11 NO. 478 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1988, AND ANY PROMULGATED RULES OR
- 12 ANY ORDER, AGREEMENT, OR JUDGMENT ISSUED OR ENTERED PURSUANT TO
- 13 THAT ACT.
- 14 (v) A PERSON WHO, WITHOUT PARTICIPATING IN THE MANAGEMENT OF
- 15 THE PROPERTY, HOLDS AN EASEMENT INTEREST IN A PORTION OF THE
- 16 PROPERTY FOR AN OIL OR GAS PIPELINE OR FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVID-
- 17 ING A PUBLIC SERVICE, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, UTILITIES,
- 18 SEWERS, AND ROADS AND OTHER PROPERTY ACQUIRED FOR DEDICATION AS A
- 19 PLAT. THE EXCLUSION PROVIDED IN THIS SUBPARAGRAPH SHALL NOT
- 20 APPLY TO A PERSON WHO HOLDS AN EASEMENT IF THAT PERSON CONTRIB-
- 21 UTED TO THE RELEASE OR THREAT OF RELEASE OF A HAZARDOUS SUB-
- 22 STANCE, OR IF EQUIPMENT OWNED OR OPERATED BY THAT PERSON CONTRIB-
- 23 UTED TO THE RELEASE.
- 24 (S) (h) "Person" means an individual, sole proprietorship,
- 25 partnership, association, JOINT VENTURE, TRUST, FIRM, JOINT
- 26 STOCK COMPANY, corporation, INCLUDING A GOVERNMENT CORPORATION,
- 27 ASSOCIATION, LOCAL UNIT OF GOVERNMENT, COMMISSION, the state,

- 1 or a political subdivision of the state, AN INTERSTATE BODY,
- 2 THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE FEDERAL
- 3 GOVERNMENT, OR ANY OTHER LEGAL ENTITY.
- 4 (T) -(i) "Release" includes, but is not limited to, any
- 5 spilling, leaking, pumping, pouring, emitting, emptying, dis-
- 6 charging, injecting, escaping, leaching, dumping, or disposing of
- 7 a hazardous substance into the environment, OR THE ABANDONMENT OR
- 8 DISCARDING OF BARRELS, CONTAINERS, AND OTHER CLOSED RECEPTACLES
- 9 CONTAINING A HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE. RELEASE DOES NOT INCLUDE ANY
- 10 OF THE FOLLOWING:
- (i) A RELEASE THAT RESULTS IN EXPOSURE TO PERSONS SOLELY
- 12 WITHIN A WORKPLACE, WITH RESPECT TO A CLAIM THAT THESE PERSONS
- 13 MAY ASSERT AGAINST THEIR EMPLOYERS.
- 14 (ii) EMISSIONS FROM THE ENGINE EXHAUST OF A MOTOR VEHICLE,
- 15 ROLLING STOCK, AIRCRAFT, VESSEL, OR PIPELINE PUMPING STATION
- 16 ENGINE.
- 17 (iii) A RELEASE OF SOURCE, BY-PRODUCT, OR SPECIAL NUCLEAR
- 18 MATERIAL FROM A NUCLEAR INCIDENT, AS THOSE TERMS ARE DEFINED IN
- 19 THE ATOMIC ENERGY ACT OF 1954, CHAPTER 1073, 68 STAT. 919, IF
- 20 SUCH RELEASE IS SUBJECT TO REQUIREMENTS WITH RESPECT TO FINANCIAL
- 21 PROTECTION ESTABLISHED BY THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION UNDER
- 22 SECTION 170 OF THE ATOMIC ENERGY ACT OF 1954, CHAPTER 1073, 71
- 23 STAT. 576, 42 U.S.C. 2210, OR, ANY RELEASE OF SOURCE BY-PRODUCT,
- 24 OR SPECIAL NUCLEAR MATERIAL FROM ANY PROCESSING SITE DESIGNATED
- 25 UNDER SECTION 102(a)(1) TITLE I OR 302(a) OF TITLE III OF THE
- 26 URANIUM MILL TAILINGS RADIATION CONTROL ACT OF 1978, 42 U.S.C.
- 27 7912 AND 7942.

- 1 (iv) IF APPLIED ACCORDING TO LABEL DIRECTIONS AND ACCORDING
- 2 TO GENERALLY ACCEPTED AGRICULTURAL AND MANAGEMENT PRACTICES, THE
- 3 APPLICATION OF A FERTILIZER, SOIL CONDITIONER, OR A PESTICIDE, OR
- 4 A COMBINATION OF THESE SUBSTANCES. AS USED IN THIS SUBPARAGRAPH,
- 5 FERTILIZER AND SOIL CONDITIONER HAVE THE MEANING GIVEN TO THESE
- 6 TERMS IN THE FERTILIZER ACT OF 1975, ACT NO. 198 OF THE PUBLIC
- 7 ACTS OF 1975, BEING SECTIONS 286.751 TO 286.767, AND PESTICIDE
- 8 HAS THE MEANING GIVEN TO THAT TERM IN THE PESTICIDE CONTROL ACT,
- 9 ACT NO. 171 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1976, BEING SECTIONS 286.551 TO
- 10 286.581 OF THE MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS.
- 11 -(-i)-"Response activity" means an activity necessary to pro-
- 12 tect the public health, safety, welfare, and the environment, and
- 13 includes but is not limited to, evaluation, cleanup, removal,
- 14 containment, isolation, treatment, monitoring, maintenance,
- 15 replacement of water supplies, temporary relocation of people as
- 16 determined to be necessary by the governor or the governor's des
- 17 ignee, and reimbursement for certain expenses as provided for in
- 18 section 11.
- (U) "REMEDIAL ACTION" INCLUDES, BUT IS NOT LIMITED TO,
- 20 CLEANUP, REMOVAL, CONTAINMENT, ISOLATION, DESTRUCTION, OR TREAT-
- 21 MENT OF A HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE RELEASED OR THREATENED TO BE
- 22 RELEASED INTO THE ENVIRONMENT, MONITORING, MAINTENANCE, OR THE
- 23 TAKING OF OTHER ACTIONS THAT MAY BE NECESSARY TO PREVENT, MINI-
- 24 MIZE, OR MITIGATE INJURY TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY, OR WEL-
- 25 FARE, OR TO THE ENVIRONMENT.
- 26 (V) "RESPONSE ACTIVITY" MEANS EVALUATION, INTERIM RESPONSE
- 27 ACTIVITY, REMEDIAL ACTION, OR THE TAKING OF OTHER ACTIONS

- 1 NECESSARY TO PROTECT THE PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY, OR WELFARE, OR
- 2 THE ENVIRONMENT, OR THE NATURAL RESOURCES. RESPONSE ACTIVITY
- 3 ALSO INCLUDES HEALTH ASSESSMENTS OR HEALTH EFFECT STUDIES CARRIED
- 4 OUT UNDER THE SUPERVISION, OR WITH THE APPROVAL OF, THE DEPART-
- 5 MENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH, AND ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS RELATED TO ANY OF
- 6 THE RESPONSE ACTIVITY.
- 7 (W) "RESPONSE ACTIVITY COSTS" OR "COSTS OF RESPONSE
- 8 ACTIVITY" MEANS ALL COSTS INCURRED IN TAKING OR CONDUCTING A
- 9 RESPONSE ACTIVITY, INCLUDING ENFORCEMENT COSTS.
- 10 (X) "RULE" MEANS A RULE PROMULGATED PURSUANT TO THE ADMINIS-
- 11 TRATIVE PROCEDURES ACT OF 1969, ACT NO. 306 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF
- 12 1969, BEING SECTIONS 24.201 TO 24.328 OF THE MICHIGAN COMPILED
- 13 LAWS.
- 14 (Y) -(k) "Site" means the location of -an- environmental
- 15 contamination.
- 16 (Z) "THREATENED RELEASE" OR "THREAT OF RELEASE" MEANS ANY
- 17 CIRCUMSTANCE THAT MAY REASONABLY BE ANTICIPATED TO POSE A POTEN-
- 18 TIAL OF A RELEASE.
- 19 Sec. 4. The governor or the governor's designee
- 20 DEPARTMENT shall seek federal assistance for -evaluation and-
- 21 response activities required at -sites FACILITIES in this
- 22 state.
- 23 Sec. 5. The governor or the governor's designee
- 24 DEPARTMENT shall coordinate all activities required under this
- 25 act and shall promulgate rules pursuant to Act No. 306 of the
- 26 Public Acts of 1969, as amended, being sections 24.201 to 24.315
- 27 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, TO REFLECT AND EFFECTUATE THE

- 1 POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE DEPARTMENT UNDER THIS ACT AND AS
- 2 necessary to carry out the requirements of this act.
- 3 Sec. 6. (1) The governor or the governor's designee
- 4 DEPARTMENT pursuant to section 5 shall DO ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 5 (a) Annually UPON DISCOVERY OF A SITE, identify and evalu-
- 6 ate the known sites in the state SITE for the purpose of
- 7 assigning TO THE SITE A priority SCORE for -evaluation and
- 8 response -actions ACTIVITIES. UPON ASSIGNMENT TO THE SITE OF A
- 9 PRIORITY SCORE FOR RESPONSE ACTIVITY, THE SITE SHALL RETAIN THE
- 10 SAME SCORE ASSIGNMENT UNLESS A SUBSTANTIAL BODY OF DATA IS PRO-
- 11 VIDED TO OR AVAILABLE TO THE DEPARTMENT INDICATING TO THE DEPART-
- 12 MENT THAT A SUBSTANTIAL CHANGE IN THE SCORE IS WARRANTED, AND A
- 13 PERSON REQUESTS RESCORING FOR A SITE DURING THE ANNUAL PUBLIC
- 14 COMMENT PERIOD FOLLOWING THE PUBLICATION OF THE LIST, OR THE
- 15 DEPARTMENT DETERMINES THAT RESCORING IS APPROPRIATE.
- (b) Develop —a | OR MORE numerical risk assessment —model—
- 17 MODELS for assessing the relative present and potential hazards
- 18 posed to the public health, safety, or welfare, or to the envi-
- 19 ronment by each site identified pursuant to subdivision (a). The
- 20 model shall provide a fair and objective site specific numerical
- 21 score designating the relative risk posed to the public health,
- 22 safety, or welfare, or to the environment of each site.
- 23 (c) Submit the INCLUDE IN RULES PROMULGATED UNDER THIS ACT
- 24 THE numerical risk assessment model. for public hearings. The
- 25 numerical risk assessment model shall be reviewed annually by the
- 26 governor or the governor's designee who may make recommendations
- 27 for change DEPARTMENT TO IDENTIFY POTENTIAL IMPROVEMENTS IN THE

- 1 MODEL. The procedure to be used for changing the numerical risk
- 2 assessment model developed pursuant to this section shall be
- 3 included in rules promulgated under this act.
- 4 (d) Submit to the legislature in November of each year
- 5 2 listings. One listing shall identify in order of relative
- 6 risk all known sites requiring further evaluation and any interim
- 7 response activity. The other listing shall, in order of relative
- 8 risk, identify sites where response activities are to be under
- 9 taken by the state. The 2 listings shall be strictly derived
- 10 from the numerical risk assessment model provided for in this
- 11 section. A LIST THAT DOES ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 12 (i) INCLUDES ALL SITES.
- 13 (ii) CATEGORIZES SITES ACCORDING TO THE RESPONSE ACTIVITY AT
- 14 THE SITE AT THE TIME OF LISTING AND ACCORDING TO CATEGORIES
- 15 ESTABLISHED BY RULES.
- 16 (iii) INDICATES WHETHER THE OWNER OF A SITE IS THE FEDERAL
- 17 GOVERNMENT, THE STATE, OR A LOCAL UNIT OF GOVERNMENT.
- 18 (E) MAINTAIN AND MAKE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC UPON REQUEST
- 19 RECORDS REGARDING SITES WHERE REMEDIAL ACTIONS HAVE BEEN COM-
- 20 PLETED, INCLUDING SITES WHERE LAND USE RESTRICTIONS HAVE BEEN
- 21 IMPOSED, IF THE RECORDS ARE NOT OTHERWISE PROTECTED FROM DISCLO-
- 22 SURE BY LAW.
- 23 (F) (e) Submit the 2 listings provided for under subdivi
- 24 sion (d) LIST for public hearings geographically dispersed
- 25 throughout the state. -, which THESE hearings shall be com-
- 26 pleted at least 30 days before the governor's annual budget
- 27 recommendations to the legislature.

- 1 (G) REPORT AT LEAST ANNUALLY TO THE LEGISLATURE AND THE
- 2 GOVERNOR THOSE SITES THAT HAVE BEEN REMOVED FROM THE LIST PURSU-
- 3 ANT TO THIS SECTION AND RULES PROMULGATED UNDER THIS ACT AND THE
- 4 SOURCE OF THE FUNDS USED TO UNDERTAKE THE RESPONSE ACTIVITY AT
- 5 EACH OF THE SITES.
- 6 (2) FOLLOWING THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE AMENDATORY ACT THAT
- 7 ADDED THIS SUBSECTION, IF THE DEPARTMENT HAS INFORMATION IDENTI-
- 8 FYING THE OWNER OF PROPERTY THAT MAY BE LISTED AS A SITE, THE
- 9 DEPARTMENT SHALL MAKE REASONABLE EFFORTS TO NOTIFY THE OWNER OF
- 10 THE PROPERTY IN WRITING PRIOR TO INCLUDING THE SITE ON THE LIST.
- 11 THIS SUBSECTION SHALL NOT BE CONSTRUED TO PROVIDE A DEFENSE TO
- 12 LIABILITY.
- 13 (3) A SITE SHALL BE REMOVED FROM THE LIST WHEN THE
- 14 DEPARTMENT'S REVIEW OF A SITE SHOWS THAT THE SITE DOES NOT MEET
- 15 THE CRITERIA SPECIFIED IN RULES PROMULGATED UNDER THIS ACT. A
- 16 SITE SHALL NOT BE REMOVED FROM THIS LIST UNTIL ANY NECESSARY
- 17 RESPONSE ACTIVITY THAT MEETS THE STANDARDS SPECIFIED IN RULES
- 18 PROMULGATED UNDER THIS ACT IS COMPLETE.
- 19 (4) A PERSON MAY REQUEST THAT A SITE BE REMOVED FROM THE
- 20 LIST BY SUBMITTING A PETITION TO THE DEPARTMENT. A PETITION
- 21 SHALL INCLUDE ALL OF THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:
- 22 (A) A DESCRIPTION AND HISTORY OF THE SITE.
- 23 (B) A DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND EXTENT OF THE ENVIRON-
- 24 MENTAL CONTAMINATION THAT EXISTED AT THE SITE AT THE TIME THE
- 25 SITE WAS INCLUDED ON THE LIST.
- 26 (C) A DESCRIPTION OF THE RESPONSE ACTIVITY UNDERTAKEN TO
- 27 REMEDY THE RELEASE OR THREAT OF A RELEASE, CONSISTENT WITH RULES

- 1 PROMULGATED UNDER THIS ACT, OR THE INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED THAT
- 2 SUPPORTS THE PERSON'S PETITION THAT THE SITE SHOULD BE REMOVED
- 3 FROM THE LIST WITHOUT FURTHER RESPONSE ACTIVITY.
- 4 (D) AN ANALYSIS OF THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE RESPONSE ACTIV-
- 5 ITY UNDERTAKEN TO REMEDIATE THE RELEASE OR THREAT OF RELEASE.
- 6 THE ANALYSIS SHALL INCLUDE SITE SPECIFIC ANALYTICAL DATA THAT
- 7 DOCUMENTS THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE RESPONSE ACTIVITY.
- 8 (E) OTHER SITE-SPECIFIC INFORMATION REQUIRED BY THE
- 9 DEPARTMENT.
- 10 (5) A PERSON SEEKING THE REMOVAL OF A SITE FROM THE LIST
- 11 SHALL PREPARE AND SUBMIT TO THE DEPARTMENT THE DOCUMENTATION
- 12 REQUIRED BY SUBSECTION (4). IF RESPONSE ACTIVITIES HAVE BEEN
- 13 CONDUCTED BY THE DEPARTMENT AT THE SITE, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL
- 14 PREPARE THE DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED BY SUBSECTION (4).
- 15 (6) WITHIN 30 DAYS AFTER RECEIPT OF THE PETITION, THE
- 16 DEPARTMENT SHALL DETERMINE WHETHER A PETITION SUBMITTED UNDER
- 17 SUBSECTION (4) IS ADMINISTRATIVELY COMPLETE. WITHIN 60 DAYS
- 18 AFTER A DETERMINATION THAT A PETITION IS ADMINISTRATIVELY COM-
- 19 PLETE, THE PETITIONER SHALL BE NOTIFIED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF THE
- 20 DEPARTMENT'S INTENT TO REMOVE THE SITE FROM THE LIST, OR THE
- 21 PETITIONER SHALL BE NOTIFIED THAT THE PETITION FOR REMOVAL OF THE
- 22 SITE FROM THE LIST DOES NOT MEET THE CRITERIA FOR REMOVAL OF THE
- 23 SITE FROM THE LIST AS DETERMINED BY RULE. REMOVAL OF SITES FROM
- 24 THE LIST SHALL BE ACCOMPLISHED AS PART OF THE PROCESS DESCRIBED
- 25 IN RULES PROMULGATED UNDER THIS ACT. HOWEVER, IF THE DEPARTMENT
- 26 CONCLUDES PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (3) THAT THE CIRCUMSTANCES
- 27 WARRANT REMOVAL OF THE SITE FROM THE LIST BEFORE OR AT THE NEXT

- 1 REGULARLY SCHEDULED HEARING TO BE HELD IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULES
- 2 PROMULGATED UNDER THIS ACT, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL PREPARE A NOTICE
- 3 OF INTENT TO REMOVE THE SITE FROM THE LIST. A NOTICE OF INTENT
- 4 SHALL INCLUDE INFORMATION CONSIDERED APPROPRIATE BY THE DEPART-
- 5 MENT AND SHALL BE PUBLISHED IN AT LEAST 1 NEWSPAPER OF GENERAL
- 6 CIRCULATION THAT SERVES THE AREA OF THE SITE AND BE PROVIDED TO
- 7 THE LOCAL UNIT OF GOVERNMENT THAT SERVES THE AREA IN WHICH THE
- 8 SITE IS LOCATED. PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE NOTICE OF INTENT TO
- 9 REMOVE THE SITE FROM THE SITE LIST SHALL BE ACCEPTED FOR A PERIOD
- 10 OF NOT LESS THAN 30 DAYS FROM THE DATE OF PUBLICATION. THE
- 11 DEPARTMENT MAY HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED ACTION.
- 12 (7) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL MAKE A FINAL DETERMINATION WHETHER
- 13 TO INCLUDE THE SITE ON THE NEXT LIST. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL CON-
- 14 SIDER ANY COMMENTS RECEIVED IN RESPONSE TO THE NOTICE DESCRIBED
- 15 IN SUBSECTION (6).
- 16 (8) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL NOTIFY THE PERSON WHO REQUESTED
- 17 THAT THE SITE BE REMOVED FROM THE LIST OF THE DECISION WITHIN 45
- 18 DAYS OF THE END OF THE PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD PROVIDED FOR IN THE
- 19 NOTICE PUBLISHED PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SUBSECTION (6).
- 20 (9) AS USED IN THIS SECTION "LIST" MEANS THE LIST DESCRIBED
- 21 IN SUBSECTION (1)(D).
- 22 Sec. 7. (1) The governor shall include in his or her annual
- 23 budget recommendations to the legislature a recommended level of
- 24 funding to provide for -further evaluation of those sites identi-
- 25 fied and submitted to the legislature under section 6 and the
- 26 implementation of any interim response activity. The governor
- 27 shall identify the order of priority by which the evaluation of

- 1 sites and the implementation of any interim response activity
- 2 shall proceed. THE ACTIVITIES NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THIS ACT.
- 3 (2) The governor shall include in his or her annual budget
- 4 recommendations to the legislature a recommended level of funding
- 5 to provide for response activities at those sites identified and
- 6 submitted to the legislature pursuant to section 6. The governor
- 7 shall identify the order in which recommended response activities
- 8 shall proceed.
- 9 (2) -(3) The governor's recommendations under this section
- 10 shall be accompanied by a site specific description of the extent
- 11 of known or suspected environmental contamination, the recom-
- 12 mended -responses RESPONSE ACTIVITIES to be undertaken, and an
- 13 estimate of cost of those -responses RESPONSE ACTIVITIES.
- 14 (4) The governor shall include in his or her recommenda
- 15 tions to the legislature under subsections (2) and (3) a level of
- 16 response activity beyond which further response activity would
- 17 not, in the opinion of the governor and upon the advice of the
- 18 directors, result in any further significant reduction of risk to
- 19 the public health, safety, or welfare or to the environment. The
- 20 governor's recommendation under this subsection shall contain the
- 21 numerical score which would be given to the site on a reassess
- 22 ment of that site after completion of the response activity rec
- 23 ommended by the governor, using the numerical risk assessment
- 24 model developed pursuant to section 6(b) of this act.
- 25 (5) This section shall not take effect until January 1,
- 26 1983.

- 1 Sec. 9. (1) An environmental response fund is established
- 2 in the department of the treasury. The environmental response
- 3 fund shall be administered by the governor or the governor's
- 4 designee DEPARTMENT.
- 5 (2) The fund shall receive as revenue any money from any
- 6 source, as appropriated by the legislature AND THE INTEREST AND
- 7 EARNINGS OF THE FUND SHALL BE CREDITED TO THE FUND.
- 8 (3) IN ADDITION TO THE MONEY RECEIVED UNDER SUBSECTION (2),
- 9 THE FUND SHALL RECEIVE AS REVENUE MONEY COLLECTED BY THE ATTORNEY
- 10 GENERAL IN ACTIONS FILED UNDER THIS ACT, COLLECTED BY THE STATE
- 11 UNDER THIS ACT, OR COLLECTED BY A PERSON UNDER SECTION 12(J).
- 12 (4) AN UNEXPENDED BALANCE WITHIN THE FUND AT THE CLOSE OF
- 13 THE FISCAL YEAR SHALL BE CARRIED FORWARD TO THE FOLLOWING FISCAL
- 14 YEAR.
- 15 Sec. 10. (1) Money required to pay for -evaluation and
- 16 response activities recommended under this act and to reimburse
- 17 state departments and agencies for expenditures for those pur-
- 18 poses shall be appropriated from the -environmental response-
- 19 fund and any other source the legislature considers necessary to
- 20 carry out the requirements of this act.
- 21 (2) Money from the -environmental response fund shall be
- 22 appropriated only for -evaluation and response activities at
- 23 -sites which FACILITIES THAT have been subjected to the risk
- 24 assessment process described in section 6.
- 25 (3) The -environmental response fund may be used for match,
- 26 operation, and maintenance purposes as required under the
- 27 comprehensive environmental response, compensation, and liability

- 1 act of 1980, PUBLIC LAW 96-510, 94 Stat. 2767- 42 U.S.C. 9601 TO
- 2 9626, 9651 TO 9652, 9653 TO 9660, 9661, AND 9671 TO 9675 AND
- 3 UNDER SUBTITLE I OF THE SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL ACT, TITLE II OF
- 4 PUBLIC LAW 89-272, 42 U.S.C. 6991 TO 6991i.
- 5 (4) The governor shall recommend an annual appropriation for
- 6 the fund in his or her annual budget recommendations to the
- 7 legislature.
- 8 (5) This section shall not take effect until January 1,
- 9 1983.
- 10 SEC. 11A. (1) THIS SECTION ONLY APPLIES TO A FACILITY WHERE
- 11 2 OR MORE PERSONS THAT MAY BE LIABLE UNDER SECTION 12 ARE IDENTI-
- 12 FIED BY THE DEPARTMENT.
- 13 (2) AFTER THE DEPARTMENT APPROVES A REMEDIAL ACTION PLAN FOR
- 14 A FACILITY PURSUANT TO THIS ACT AND ANY RULES PROMULGATED UNDER
- 15 THIS ACT, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL NOTIFY IN WRITING EACH IDENTIFIED
- 16 PERSON THAT MAY BE LIABLE UNDER SECTION 12 AND THE ORPHAN SHARE
- 17 ADMINISTRATION OF THE APPROVAL OF THE REMEDIAL ACTION PLAN FOR
- 18 THE FACILITY. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ALSO SEND THE ORPHAN SHARE
- 19 ADMINISTRATION A LIST OF THE NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF ALL IDENTI-
- 20 FIED PERSONS THAT MAY BE LIABLE UNDER SECTION 12, AND IF
- 21 REQUESTED BY THE ORPHAN SHARE ADMINISTRATION, THE DEPARTMENT
- 22 SHALL AT ANY TIME PROVIDE THE ORPHAN SHARE ADMINISTRATION WITH
- 23 ALL INFORMATION IN THE POSSESSION OF THE DEPARTMENT THAT IS
- 24 RELATED TO THE RELEASE. UPON THE REQUEST OF THE ORPHAN SHARE
- 25 ADMINISTRATION, THE ALLOCATION PROCESS MAY COMMENCE PRIOR TO THE
- 26 APPROVAL OF THE REMEDIAL ACTION PLAN. A PERSON THAT MAY BE
- 27 LIABLE UNDER SECTION 12 MAY PETITION THE ORPHAN SHARE

- 1 ADMINISTRATION TO COMMENCE THE ALLOCATION PROCESS PRIOR TO THE
- 2 APPROVAL OF THE REMEDIAL ACTION PLAN.
- 3 (3) NOT LATER THAN 7 DAYS AFTER RECEIPT OF THE NOTICE OF
- 4 APPROVAL OF A REMEDIAL ACTION PLAN FOR THE FACILITY, THE ORPHAN
- 5 SHARE ADMINISTRATION SHALL NOTIFY EACH OF THE PERSONS THAT MAY BE
- 6 LIABLE UNDER SECTION 12 IN WRITING OF THE OPPORTUNITY TO PARTICI-
- 7 PATE IN AN ALLOCATION PROCESS. A PERSON THAT MAY BE LIABLE UNDER
- 8 SECTION 12 THAT INTENDS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE ALLOCATION PROCESS
- 9 SHALL NOTIFY THE ORPHAN SHARE ADMINISTRATION IN WRITING WITHIN 14
- 10 DAYS OF RECEIVING NOTICE FROM THE ORPHAN SHARE ADMINISTRATION.
- 11 (4) IF, WITHIN THE 14-DAY PERIOD DURING WHICH A PERSON THAT
- 12 MAY BE LIABLE UNDER SECTION 12 MAY INDICATE THEIR INTENTION TO
- 13 PARTICIPATE IN THE ALLOCATION PROCESS, 1 OR MORE OF THE PERSONS
- 14 THAT MAY BE LIABLE UNDER SECTION 12 IDENTIFIED IN REGARD TO A
- 15 FACILITY NOTIFY THE ORPHAN SHARE ADMINISTRATION THAT THE PERSON
- 16 INTENDS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE ALLOCATION PROCESS, THE ORPHAN
- 17 SHARE ADMINISTRATION SHALL DEVELOP A SCHEDULE AND PLAN TO FACILI-
- 18 TATE NEGOTIATIONS TO DETERMINE THE PERCENTAGE SHARE OF RESPONSE
- 19 COSTS OF EACH PERSON THAT MAY BE LIABLE UNDER SECTION 12 AND ANY
- 20 ORPHAN SHARE. THE NEGOTIATIONS SHALL BE COMPLETED WITHIN 21 DAYS
- 21 AFTER THE LAST DAY ON WHICH PERSONS THAT MAY BE LIABLE UNDER
- 22 SECTION 12 MAY NOTIFY THE ORPHAN SHARE ADMINISTRATION OF THE
- 23 INTENT TO PARTICIPATE, UNLESS ALL OF THE PARTICIPANTS AGREE TO
- 24 EXTEND THE NEGOTIATIONS. AN EXTENSION OF THE NEGOTIATIONS SHALL
- 25 NOT RESULT IN AN EXTENSION OF THE TIME LIMITATIONS PROVIDED IN
- 26 SUBSECTIONS (7) AND (9).

- 1 (5) IF, DURING THE NEGOTIATION PERIOD PROVIDED IN
- 2 SUBSECTION (4), ALL OF THE PERSONS THAT MAY BE LIABLE UNDER
- 3 SECTION 12 PARTICIPATING IN THE ALLOCATION PROCESS AND THE ORPHAN
- 4 SHARE ADMINISTRATION AGREE IN WRITING TO A COMPLETE PERCENTAGE
- 5 ALLOCATION OF RESPONSE COSTS RELATED TO THE FACILITY, THE ORPHAN
- 6 SHARE ADMINISTRATION SHALL, WITHIN 3 DAYS OF REACHING THE AGREE-
- 7 MENT, SEND A COPY OF THE AGREEMENT TO THE DIRECTOR AND THE ATTOR-
- 8 NEY GENERAL.
- 9 (6) THE ATTORNEY GENERAL ON BEHALF OF THE STATE MAY ENTER
- 10 INTO A LEGALLY ENFORCEABLE CONSENT JUDGMENT WITH 1 OR MORE OF THE
- 11 PARTICIPANTS IN THE ALLOCATION PROCESS PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTA-
- 12 TION OF THE REMEDIAL ACTION PLAN, PAYMENT OF RESPONSE COSTS, AND
- 13 RESOLUTION OF OTHER POTENTIAL LIABILITY UNDER THIS ACT, INCLUDING
- 14 LIABILITY FOR DAMAGES AND CIVIL FINES.
- 15 (7) IF, WITHIN THE NEGOTIATION PERIOD PROVIDED IN
- 16 SUBSECTION (4), ALL OF THE PERSONS THAT MAY BE LIABLE UNDER
- 17 SECTION 12 AND THE ORPHAN SHARE ADMINISTRATION DO NOT AGREE IN
- 18 WRITING TO A COMPLETE PERCENTAGE ALLOCATION OF RESPONSE COSTS
- 19 RELATED TO THE SITE, THE ORPHAN SHARE ADMINISTRATION SHALL CON-
- 20 VENE AN ALLOCATION REVIEW PANEL TO DETERMINE AN ALLOCATION OF THE
- 21 PERCENTAGE SHARE OF RESPONSE COSTS OF EACH PERSON THAT MAY BE
- 22 LIABLE UNDER SECTION 12 INCLUDING THE ORPHAN SHARE, IF ANY.
- 23 REGARDLESS OF WHEN THE ALLOCATION PROCESS COMMENCES, THE ALLOCA-
- 24 TION REVIEW PANEL SHALL BE CONVENED NO LATER THAN 50 DAYS AFTER
- 25 NOTIFICATION OF THE PERSONS THAT MAY BE LIABLE UNDER SECTION 12
- 26 OF THE APPROVAL OF THE REMEDIAL ACTION PLAN FOR A FACILITY. THE
- 27 ALLOCATION REVIEW PANEL SHALL CONSIST OF 3 MEMBERS SELECTED IN

- 1 THE PROCESS ESTABLISHED BY THE ORPHAN SHARE ADMINISTRATION
- 2 PURSUANT TO THE MICHIGAN ENVIRONMENTAL ASSURANCE CORPORATION
- 3 ACT. IN SELECTING THE MEMBERS FOR AN ALLOCATION REVIEW PANEL,
- 4 THE ORPHAN SHARE ADMINISTRATION SHALL DETERMINE THAT A MEMBER
- 5 SELECTED FOR A PANEL DOES NOT HAVE A PERSONAL OR FINANCIAL INTER-
- 6 EST IN THE OUTCOME OF THE ALLOCATION PROCESS.
- 7 (8) ACCORDING TO THE PROCEDURES ESTABLISHED BY THE ORPHAN
- 8 SHARE ADMINISTRATION AS PROVIDED IN THE MICHIGAN ENVIRONMENTAL
- 9 ASSURANCE CORPORATION ACT, EACH OF THE PARTICIPATING PERSONS THAT
- 10 MAY BE LIABLE UNDER SECTION 12 AND THE ORPHAN SHARE ADMINISTRA-
- 11 TION MAY SUBMIT TO THE PANEL DOCUMENTATION AND OTHER INFORMATION
- 12 AS CONSIDERED RELEVANT BY A PERSON THAT MAY BE LIABLE UNDER
- 13 SECTION 12 OR THE ORPHAN SHARE ADMINISTRATION. IN ADDITION, THE
- 14 DIRECTOR MAY SUBMIT TO THE PANEL INFORMATION RELATED TO THE
- 15 FACILITY OR ALLOCATION PROCESS THAT THE DIRECTOR CONSIDERS
- 16 RELEVANT.
- 17 (9) NOT LATER THAN 90 DAYS AFTER NOTIFICATION OF THE PERSONS
- 18 THAT MAY BE LIABLE UNDER SECTION 12 OF APPROVAL OF THE REMEDIAL
- 19 ACTION PLAN FOR A FACILITY, THE ALLOCATION REVIEW PANEL SHALL
- 20 ISSUE A WRITTEN DETERMINATION ALLOCATING THE PERCENTAGE SHARE OF
- 21 RESPONSE COSTS OF EACH PERSON THAT MAY BE LIABLE UNDER SECTION 12
- 22 AND THE ORPHAN SHARE, IF ANY. IN REACHING A DETERMINATION, THE
- 23 ALLOCATION REVIEW PANEL SHALL DO ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 24 (A) CONSIDER EACH OF THE FOLLOWING AS THESE ITEMS RELATE TO
- 25 EACH PERSON THAT MAY BE LIABLE UNDER SECTION 12 AND THE ORPHAN
- 26 SHARE, IF ANY:

- 1 (i) THE VOLUME OF HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES TRANSPORTED TO THE
- 2 FACILITY. FOR PURPOSES OF DETERMINING VOLUME, A SHIPMENT OF A
- 3 HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE SHALL BE COUNTED 1 TIME WHEN ALLOCATING A
- 4 PERCENTAGE SHARE OF RESPONSE COSTS BETWEEN A GENERATOR AND A
- 5 TRANSPORTER OF A HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE.
- 6 (ii) THE ANTICIPATED IMPACT OF THE HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE ON
- 7 THE COST OF RESPONSE ACTIVITY AT THE FACILITY.
- 8 (iii) THE DEGREE OF CARE EXERCISED IN THE DISPOSAL OR TREAT-
- 9 MENT, OR BOTH OF THE HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE BY EACH PERSON THAT MAY
- 10 BE LIABLE UNDER SECTION 12.
- 11 (iv) THE MANNER IN WHICH THE FACILITY WAS OPERATED AND THE
- 12 DEGREE OF CARE EXERCISED BY THE OWNER OR OPERATOR.
- 13 (ν) THE DEGREE OF INVOLVEMENT IN FACILITY OPERATIONS.
- 14 (vi) WHETHER ALL APPLICABLE PERMITS AND LICENSES REQUIRED BY
- 15 LAW WERE OBTAINED AND COMPLIED WITH.
- 16 (vii) THE DEGREE OF COOPERATION BY THE PERSON WITH FEDERAL,
- 17 STATE, OR LOCAL OFFICIALS TO PREVENT, MINIMIZE, RESPOND TO, OR
- 18 REMEDY THE RELEASE OR THREAT OF RELEASE.
- 19 (viii) ANY OTHER AGGRAVATING OR MITIGATING FACTOR THAT THE
- 20 ALLOCATION REVIEW PANEL DETERMINES TO BE RELEVANT.
- 21 (B) CONSIDER THE QUALITY OF DOCUMENTATION AND OTHER INFORMA-
- 22 TION SUBMITTED.
- 23 (C) IF INFORMATION GAPS EXIST, MAKE REASONABLE EXTRAPOLA-
- 24 TIONS FROM THE AVAILABLE INFORMATION AS CONSIDERED ADVISABLE BY
- 25 THE ALLOCATION REVIEW PANEL.
- 26 (10) A COPY OF THE WRITTEN DETERMINATION OF THE ALLOCATION
- 27 REVIEW PANEL SHALL BE FORWARDED BY THE PANEL TO THE DIRECTOR, THE

- 1 ATTORNEY GENERAL, AND TO EACH OF THE PARTICIPANTS IN THE
- 2 ALLOCATION PROCESS. WITHIN 10 DAYS OF RECEIPT OF THE DETERMINA-
- 3 TION OF THE ALLOCATION REVIEW PANEL, EACH PARTICIPANT SHALL
- 4 NOTIFY THE ORPHAN SHARE ADMINISTRATION OF THE PARTICIPANT'S
- 5 ACCEPTANCE OR REJECTION OF THE PANEL'S DETERMINATION. THE ORPHAN
- 6 SHARE ADMINISTRATION SHALL NOTIFY THE ALLOCATION REVIEW PANEL,
- 7 THE DIRECTOR, AND THE ATTORNEY GENERAL OF THE PARTICIPANTS'
- 8 DECISION.
- 9 (11) THE ORPHAN SHARE ADMINISTRATION MAY REJECT THE ALLOCA-
- 10 TION REVIEW PANEL'S DETERMINATION IF IT BELIEVES THAT THE PERCEN-
- 11 TAGE COST OF RESPONSE ACTIVITY ALLOCATED TO THE ORPHAN SHARES BY
- 12 THE PANEL CREATES A SUBSTANTIAL RISK TO THE FISCAL INTEGRITY OF
- 13 THE FUND. IF THE ORPHAN SHARE ADMINISTRATION REJECTS THE ALLOCA-
- 14 TION REVIEW PANEL'S DETERMINATION IT MAY NEGOTIATE WITH OTHER
- 15 PARTICIPATING PERSONS THAT MAY BE LIABLE UNDER SECTION 12 TO
- 16 ATTEMPT TO ARRIVE AT AN ALTERNATIVE PERCENTAGE ALLOCATION OF
- 17 RESPONSE COSTS THAT IS AGREEABLE TO ALL OF THE PARTICIPANTS. THE
- 18 ORPHAN SHARE ADMINISTRATION AND THE OTHER PARTICIPATING PERSONS
- 19 THAT MAY BE LIABLE UNDER SECTION 12 HAVE NO LONGER THAN 7 DAYS TO
- 20 ATTEMPT TO ARRIVE AT AN ALTERNATIVE ALLOCATION.
- 21 (12) THE ATTORNEY GENERAL ON BEHALF OF THE STATE MAY ENTER
- 22 INTO A LEGALLY ENFORCEABLE CONSENT JUDGMENT WITH 1 OR MORE OF THE
- 23 PARTICIPANTS IN THE ALLOCATION PROCESS WHO ARE IN AGREEMENT WITH
- 24 THE DETERMINATION OF THE ALLOCATION REVIEW PANEL OR WHO ENTER
- 25 INTO A NEGOTIATED AGREEMENT PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (11) PROVIDING
- 26 FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF THE REMEDIAL ACTION PLAN, PAYMENT OF

- 1 RESPONSE COSTS, AND RESOLUTION OF OTHER POTENTIAL LIABILITY UNDER
- 2 THIS ACT, INCLUDING LIABILITY FOR DAMAGES AND CIVIL FINES.
- 3 (13) THIS SECTION SHALL NOT BE CONSTRUED TO LIMIT THE
- 4 AUTHORITY OF THE DEPARTMENT OR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL AT ANY TIME
- 5 TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST TO RESOLVE IN
- 6 WHOLE OR IN PART THE LIABILITY OF A PERSON UNDER THIS ACT.
- 7 (14) ANY ALLOCATION OF PERCENTAGE SHARES OF RESPONSE COSTS
- 8 UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL NOT BE ADMISSIBLE AS EVIDENCE IN ANY
- 9 PROCEEDING, AND A COURT SHALL NOT HAVE JURISDICTION TO REVIEW AN
- 10 ALLOCATION OR THE PROCEDURES USED TO DETERMINE AN ALLOCATION.
- 11 ALLOCATION OF PERCENTAGE SHARE OF RESPONSE COSTS OR THE PROCE-
- 12 DURES USED TO DETERMINE AN ALLOCATION SHALL NOT CONSTITUTE AN
- 13 APPORTIONMENT OR OTHER STATEMENT ON THE DIVISIBILITY OF HARM OR
- 14 CAUSATION.
- 15 (15) THE LIABILITY UNDER THIS ACT OF A PERSON THAT MAY BE
- 16 LIABLE UNDER SECTION 12 THAT ACCEPTS AND PAYS ITS ALLOCATED SHARE
- 17 OF RESPONSE ACTIVITY COSTS AS DETERMINED THROUGH A VOLUNTARY
- 18 ALLOCATION AGREEMENT PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (5) OR BY THE ALLOCA-
- 19 TION REVIEW PANEL PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (9), AND WHO ENTERS INTO
- 20 A LEGALLY ENFORCEABLE CONSENT JUDGMENT WITH THE ATTORNEY GENERAL
- 21 ON BEHALF OF THE STATE THAT PROVIDES FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF THE
- 22 REMEDIAL ACTION PLAN AND PAYMENT OF ALL STATE RESPONSE ACTIVITY
- 23 COSTS BY THE SETTLING PERSONS SHALL, WITH RESPECT TO MATTERS COV-
- 24 ERED BY THE CONSENT JUDGMENT, BE LIMITED TO THAT ALLOCATED SHARE
- 25 OF RESPONSE ACTIVITY COSTS.
- 26 (16) IF A PERSON THAT MAY BE LIABLE UNDER SECTION 12
- 27 PARTICIPATES IN THE ALLOCATION PROCESS SET FORTH IN THIS

- I SUBSECTION, THE DIRECTOR AND THE ATTORNEY GENERAL MAY NOT
- 2 COMMENCE AN ACTION UNDER SECTION 12F OR 12H AGAINST THE PARTICI-
- 3 PATING PERSON FOR A PERIOD OF 120 DAYS AFTER THE PERSONS THAT MAY
- 4 BE LIABLE UNDER SECTION 12 HAVE BEEN NOTIFIED OF THE APPROVAL OF
- 5 A REMEDIAL ACTION PLAN. IF THE DIRECTOR AND THE ATTORNEY GENERAL
- 6 DETERMINE THAT THE PARTIES ARE BARGAINING IN GOOD FAITH AND THAT
- 7 AN EXTENSION OF THIS MORATORIUM WOULD FACILITATE AN AGREEMENT
- 8 WITH THE PERSONS THAT MAY BE LIABLE UNDER SECTION 12 FOR TAKING
- 9 RESPONSE ACTIVITY, THEY MAY EXTEND THE MORATORIUM FOR AN ADDI-
- 10 TIONAL PERIOD OF UP TO 30 DAYS.
- 11 (17) NOTWITHSTANDING SUBSECTION (16), THIS SECTION SHALL NOT
- 12 LIMIT THE DEPARTMENT'S AUTHORITY TO UNDERTAKE RESPONSE ACTIVITY
- 13 AT ANY TIME OR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S AUTHORITY TO UNDERTAKE
- 14 ENFORCEMENT ACTION AGAINST ANY PERSON THAT MAY BE LIABLE UNDER
- 15 SECTION 12 THAT DOES NOT PARTICIPATE IN THE ALLOCATION PROCESS.
- 16 (18) WHEN THE ALLOCATION PROCESS IS COMPLETED, THE ORPHAN
- 17 SHARE ADMINISTRATION SHALL CONTRIBUTE THE PERCENTAGE OF COSTS
- 18 ASSIGNED TO THE ORPHAN SHARE PLUS THE PERCENTAGE SHARE ASSIGNED
- 19 TO IDENTIFIED PERSONS THAT MAY BE LIABLE UNDER SECTION 12 THAT
- 20 REFUSE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE ALLOCATION PROCESS, OR REMEDIAL
- 21 ACTION, OR PAY ON THE BASIS OF THEIR ALLOCATED SHARE. THIS SUB-
- 22 SECTION SHALL APPLY WHETHER THE REMEDIATION IS PERFORMED BY THE
- 23 PARTIES THAT MAY BE RESPONSIBLE UNDER SECTION 12 PURSUANT TO A
- 24 SETTLEMENT. THE ATTORNEY GENERAL MAY FILE AN ACTION UNDER
- 25 SECTION 12H TO RECOVER ALL COSTS INCURRED BY THE ORPHAN SHARE
- 26 ADMINISTRATION FROM PARTIES WHO REFUSE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE

- 1 ALLOCATION PROCESS OR IN THE REMEDIAL ACTION ON THE BASIS OF
- 2 THEIR ALLOCATED SHARE.
- 3 (19) THE ORPHAN SHARE ADMINISTRATION MAY ESTABLISH A LOAN
- 4 PROGRAM TO PROVIDE LOANS TO SMALL BUSINESSES THAT ARE POTENTIALLY
- 5 RESPONSIBLE PARTIES. A LOAN SHALL BE PROVIDED TO ASSIST A SMALL
- 6 BUSINESS IN FULFILLING ITS RESPONSIBILITIES UNDER A CONSENT
- 7 AGREEMENT. AS USED IN THIS SUBSECTION, "SMALL BUSINESS" MEANS A
- 8 BUSINESS CONCERN INCORPORATED OR DOING BUSINESS IN THIS STATE,
- 9 INCLUDING THE AFFILIATES OF THE BUSINESS CONCERN, THAT IS INDE-
- 10 PENDENTLY OWNED AND OPERATED AND EMPLOYS FEWER THAN 25 FULL-TIME
- 11 EMPLOYEES OR THAT HAS A NET WORTH OF LESS THAN \$1,000,000.00.
- 12 (20) AS USED IN THIS SECTION:
- 13 (A) "ALLOCATION PROCESS" MEANS A VOLUNTARY SYSTEM FOR DETER-
- 14 MINING THE PERCENTAGE SHARE OF RESPONSE COSTS PURSUANT TO THIS
- 15 SECTION OF EACH PERSON THAT MAY BE LIABLE UNDER SECTION 12 AND
- 16 THE ORPHAN SHARE, IF ANY.
- 17 (B) "ALLOCATION REVIEW PANEL" OR "PANEL" MEANS THE ALLOCA-
- 18 TION REVIEW PANEL APPOINTED BY THE ORPHAN SHARE ADMINISTRATION.
- 19 (C) "FUND" MEANS THE MICHIGAN ENVIRONMENTAL ASSURANCE FUND
- 20 CREATED IN THE MICHIGAN ENVIRONMENTAL ASSURANCE CORPORATION ACT.
- 21 (D) "ORPHAN SHARE" MEANS THE PERCENTAGE SHARE OF RESPONSE
- 22 COSTS FOR A FACILITY THAT THE ORPHAN SHARE ADMINISTRATION AGREES
- 23 OR THE ALLOCATION REVIEW PANEL DETERMINES IS NOT REASONABLY ALLO-
- 24 CABLE TO ANY PERSON THAT MAY BE LIABLE UNDER SECTION 12 USING THE
- 25 CRITERIA IN SUBSECTION (9).

- 1 (E) "ORPHAN SHARE ADMINISTRATION" MEANS A PERSON APPOINTED
- 2 PURSUANT TO THE MICHIGAN ENVIRONMENTAL ASSURANCE CORPORATION ACT
- 3 TO PAY FOR THE ORPHAN SHARE.
- 4 (F) "REMEDIAL ACTION PLAN" MEANS A WORK PLAN FOR PERFORMING
- 5 REMEDIAL ACTION UNDER THIS ACT.
- 6 (G) "RESPONSE COSTS" MEANS ALL COSTS INCURRED IN TAKING OR
- 7 CONDUCTING A RESPONSE ACTIVITY, ENFORCEMENT COSTS, AND ALL COSTS
- 8 INCURRED BY THE ORPHAN SHARE ADMINISTRATION FOR THE SERVICES OF
- 9 THE ALLOCATION REVIEW PANEL.
- 10 SEC. 11B. (1) THE STATE MAY, IN ITS DISCRETION, PROVIDE A
- 11 PERSON WITH A COVENANT NOT TO SUE CONCERNING ANY LIABILITY TO THE
- 12 STATE UNDER THIS ACT, INCLUDING FUTURE LIABILITY, RESULTING FROM
- 13 A RELEASE OR THREATENED RELEASE ADDRESSED BY REMEDIAL ACTION,
- 14 WHETHER THAT ACTION IS ON A FACILITY OR OFF A FACILITY, IF EACH
- 15 OF THE FOLLOWING IS MET:
- 16 (A) THE COVENANT NOT TO SUE IS IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST.
- 17 (B) THE COVENANT NOT TO SUE WOULD EXPEDITE RESPONSE ACTION
- 18 CONSISTENT WITH RULES PROMULGATED UNDER THIS ACT.
- 19 (C) THERE IS FULL COMPLIANCE WITH A CONSENT AGREEMENT UNDER
- 20 THIS ACT FOR RESPONSE TO THE RELEASE OR THREATENED RELEASE
- 21 CONCERNED.
- 22 (D) THE RESPONSE ACTION HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE
- 23 DEPARTMENT.
- 24 (2) THE STATE SHALL PROVIDE A PERSON TO WHOM THE DEPARTMENT
- 25 IS AUTHORIZED UNDER SUBSECTION (1) TO ISSUE A COVENANT NOT TO SUE
- 26 FOR THE PORTION OF REMEDIAL ACTION DESCRIBED IN SUBDIVISION (A)
- 27 OR (B) WITH A COVENANT NOT TO SUE WITH RESPECT TO FUTURE

- 1 LIABILITY TO THE STATE UNDER THIS ACT FOR A FUTURE RELEASE OR
- 2 THREATENED RELEASE FROM THE FACILITY, AND A PERSON PROVIDED THE
- 3 COVENANT NOT TO SUE SHALL NOT BE LIABLE TO THE STATE UNDER
- 4 SECTION 12 WITH RESPECT TO THAT RELEASE OR THREATENED RELEASE AT
- 5 A FUTURE TIME. THE PORTION OF REMEDIAL ACTION TO WHICH THE COVE-
- 6 NANT NOT TO SUE PERTAINS IS 1 OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 7 (A) THE TRANSPORT AND SECURE DISPOSITION OFF SITE OF HAZARD-
- 8 OUS SUBSTANCES IN A FACILITY MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF
- 9 SECTIONS 3004(c), (d), (e), (f), (g), (m), (o), (p), (u), AND (v)
- 10 AND 3005(c) OF THE SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL ACT, TITLE II OF PUBLIC
- 11 LAW 89-272, 42 U.S.C. 6924 AND 6925, IF THE DEPARTMENT HAS
- 12 REOUIRED OFF-SITE DISPOSITION AND HAS REJECTED PROPOSED REMEDIAL
- 13 ACTION THAT IS CONSISTENT WITH THE RULES PROMULGATED UNDER THIS
- 14 ACT THAT DOES NOT INCLUDE OFF-SITE DISPOSITION.
- (B) THE TREATMENT OF HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES SO AS TO DESTROY,
- 16 ELIMINATE, OR PERMANENTLY IMMOBILIZE THE HAZARDOUS CONSTITUENTS
- 17 OF THE SUBSTANCES, SO THAT, IN THE JUDGMENT OF THE DEPARTMENT,
- 18 THE SUBSTANCES NO LONGER PRESENT ANY CURRENT OR CURRENTLY FORE-
- 19 SEEABLE FUTURE SIGNIFICANT RISK TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY, OR
- 20 WELFARE, OR TO THE ENVIRONMENT, NO BY-PRODUCT OF THE TREATMENT OR
- 21 DESTRUCTION PROCESS PRESENTS ANY SIGNIFICANT HAZARD TO THE PUBLIC
- 22 HEALTH, SAFETY, OR WELFARE, OR THE ENVIRONMENT, AND ALL
- 23 BY-PRODUCTS ARE THEMSELVES TREATED, DESTROYED, OR CONTAINED IN A
- 24 MANNER THAT ASSURES THAT THE BY-PRODUCTS DO NOT PRESENT ANY CUR-
- 25 RENT OR CURRENTLY FORESEEABLE FUTURE SIGNIFICANT RISK TO THE
- 26 PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY, OR WELFARE, OR THE ENVIRONMENT.

- 1 (3) A COVENANT NOT TO SUE CONCERNING FUTURE LIABILITY TO THE
- 2 STATE SHALL NOT TAKE EFFECT UNTIL THE DEPARTMENT CERTIFIES THAT
- 3 REMEDIAL ACTION HAS BEEN COMPLETED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE
- 4 REQUIREMENTS OF THIS ACT AT THE FACILITY THAT IS THE SUBJECT OF A
- 5 COVENANT.
- 6 (4) IN ASSESSING THE APPROPRIATENESS OF A COVENANT NOT TO
- 7 SUE GRANTED UNDER SUBSECTION (1) AND ANY CONDITION TO BE INCLUDED
- 8 IN A COVENANT NOT TO SUE UNDER SUBSECTION (1) OR (2), THE STATE
- 9 SHALL CONSIDER WHETHER THE COVENANT OR CONDITION IS IN THE PUBLIC
- 10 INTEREST ON THE BASIS OF FACTORS SUCH AS THE FOLLOWING:
- 11 (A) THE EFFECTIVENESS AND RELIABILITY OF THE REMEDY, IN
- 12 LIGHT OF THE OTHER ALTERNATIVE REMEDIES CONSIDERED FOR THE FACIL-
- 13 ITY CONCERNED.
- (B) THE NATURE OF THE RISKS REMAINING AT THE FACILITY.
- 15 (C) THE EXTENT TO WHICH PERFORMANCE STANDARDS ARE INCLUDED
- 16 IN THE ORDER OR DECREE.
- 17 (D) THE EXTENT TO WHICH THE RESPONSE ACTION PROVIDES A COM-
- 18 PLETE REMEDY FOR THE FACILITY, INCLUDING A REDUCTION IN THE HAZ-
- 19 ARDOUS NATURE OF THE SUBSTANCES AT THE FACILITY.
- 20 (E) THE EXTENT TO WHICH THE TECHNOLOGY USED IN THE RESPONSE
- 21 ACTION IS DEMONSTRATED TO BE EFFECTIVE.
- 22 (F) WHETHER THE FUND OR OTHER SOURCES OF FUNDING WOULD BE
- 23 AVAILABLE FOR ANY ADDITIONAL REMEDIAL ACTIONS THAT MIGHT EVENTU-
- 24 ALLY BE NECESSARY AT THE FACILITY.
- 25 (G) WHETHER REMEDIAL ACTION WILL BE CARRIED OUT, IN WHOLE OR
- 26 IN SIGNIFICANT PART, BY PERSONS RESPONSIBLE UNDER SECTION 12.

- 1 (5) A COVENANT NOT TO SUE UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL BE
- 2 SUBJECT TO THE SATISFACTORY PERFORMANCE BY A PERSON OF ITS
- 3 OBLIGATIONS UNDER THE AGREEMENT CONCERNED.
- 4 (6) EXCEPT FOR THE PORTION OF THE REMEDIAL ACTION THAT IS
- 5 SUBJECT TO A COVENANT NOT TO SUE UNDER SUBSECTION (2) OR UNDER
- 6 SECTION 11A, A COVENANT NOT TO SUE A PERSON CONCERNING FUTURE
- 7 LIABILITY TO THE STATE SHALL INCLUDE AN EXCEPTION TO THE COVENANT
- 8 THAT ALLOWS THE STATE TO SUE THAT PERSON CONCERNING FUTURE
- 9 LIABILITY RESULTING FROM THE RELEASE OR THREATENED RELEASE THAT
- 10 IS THE SUBJECT OF THE COVENANT IF THE LIABILITY ARISES OUT OF
- 11 CONDITIONS THAT ARE UNKNOWN AT THE TIME THE DEPARTMENT CERTIFIES
- 12 UNDER SUBSECTION (3) THAT REMEDIAL ACTION HAS BEEN COMPLETED AT
- 13 THE FACILITY CONCERNED.
- 14 (7) IN EXTRAORDINARY CIRCUMSTANCES, THE STATE MAY DETERMINE,
- 15 AFTER ASSESSMENT OF RELEVANT FACTORS SUCH AS THOSE REFERRED TO IN
- 16 SUBSECTION (4) AND VOLUME, TOXICITY, MOBILITY, STRENGTH OF EVI-
- 17 DENCE, ABILITY TO PAY, LITIGATIVE RISKS, PUBLIC INTEREST CONSID-
- 18 ERATIONS, PRECEDENTIAL VALUE, AND INEQUITIES AND AGGRAVATING FAC-
- 19 TORS, NOT TO INCLUDE THE EXCEPTION IN SUBSECTION (6) IF OTHER
- 20 TERMS, CONDITIONS, OR REQUIREMENTS OF THE AGREEMENT CONTAINING
- 21 THE COVENANT NOT TO SUE ARE SUFFICIENT TO PROVIDE ALL REASONABLE
- 22 ASSURANCES THAT THE PUBLIC HEALTH AND THE ENVIRONMENT WILL BE
- 23 PROTECTED FROM ANY FUTURE RELEASES AT OR FROM THE FACILITY.
- 24 (8) THE STATE IS AUTHORIZED TO INCLUDE ANY PROVISIONS PRO-
- 25 VIDING FOR FUTURE ENFORCEMENT ACTION UNDER SECTION 12F OR 12H
- 26 THAT IN THE DISCRETION OF THE DEPARTMENT ARE NECESSARY AND

- 1 APPROPRIATE TO ASSURE PROTECTION OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY,
- 2 WELFARE, AND THE ENVIRONMENT.
- 3 SEC. 12. (1) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OR RULE OF
- 4 LAW AND SUBJECT ONLY TO THE DEFENSES SET FORTH IN SECTION 12A, IF
- 5 THERE IS A RELEASE OR THREATENED RELEASE FROM A FACILITY THAT
- 6 CAUSES THE INCURRENCE OF RESPONSE ACTIVITY COSTS, THE FOLLOWING
- 7 PERSONS SHALL BE LIABLE UNDER THIS SECTION:
- 8 (A) THE OWNER OR OPERATOR OF THE FACILITY.
- 9 (B) A PERSON WHO AT THE TIME OF DISPOSAL OF A HAZARDOUS SUB-
- 10 STANCE OWNED OR OPERATED THE FACILITY.
- 11 (C) A PERSON NOT INCLUDED IN SUBDIVISION (A) OR (B) WHO
- 12 SINCE THE TIME OF DISPOSAL OF A HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE OWNED OR
- 13 OPERATED THE FACILITY.
- 14 (D) A PERSON WHO BY CONTRACT, AGREEMENT, OR OTHERWISE
- 15 ARRANGED FOR DISPOSAL OR TREATMENT, OR ARRANGED WITH A TRANS-
- 16 PORTER FOR TRANSPORT FOR DISPOSAL OR TREATMENT, OF A HAZARDOUS
- 17 SUBSTANCE OWNED OR POSSESSED BY THE PERSON, BY ANY OTHER PERSON,
- 18 AT THE FACILITY OWNED OR OPERATED BY ANOTHER PERSON AND CONTAIN-
- 19 ING THE HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE.
- 20 (E) A PERSON WHO ACCEPTS OR ACCEPTED ANY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE
- 21 FOR TRANSPORT TO THE FACILITY SELECTED BY THAT PERSON.
- 22 (2) A PERSON DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (1) SHALL BE LIABLE FOR
- 23 ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 24 (A) ALL COSTS OF RESPONSE ACTIVITY INCURRED BY THE STATE NOT
- 25 INCONSISTENT WITH RULES RELATING TO THE SELECTION AND IMPLEMENTA-
- 26 TION OF RESPONSE ACTIVITY PROMULGATED UNDER THIS ACT.

- 1 (B) ANY OTHER NECESSARY COSTS OF RESPONSE ACTIVITY INCURRED
- 2 BY ANY OTHER PERSON CONSISTENT WITH RULES RELATING TO THE
- 3 SELECTION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF RESPONSE ACTIVITY PROMULGATED
- 4 UNDER THIS ACT.
- 5 (C) DAMAGES FOR THE FULL VALUE OF INJURY TO, DESTRUCTION OF,
- 6 OR LOSS OF NATURAL RESOURCES, INCLUDING THE REASONABLE COSTS OF
- 7 ASSESSING THE INJURY, DESTRUCTION, OR LOSS RESULTING FROM THE
- 8 RELEASE.
- 9 (3) THE COSTS OF RESPONSE ACTIVITY RECOVERABLE UNDER SUBSEC-
- 10 TION (2) SHALL ALSO INCLUDE:
- 11 (A) ALL COSTS OF RESPONSE ACTIVITY REASONABLY INCURRED BY
- 12 THE STATE PRIOR TO THE PROMULGATION OF RULES RELATING TO THE
- 13 SELECTION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF RESPONSE ACTIVITY UNDER THIS
- 14 ACT. A PERSON CHALLENGING THE RECOVERY OF THESE COSTS SHALL HAVE
- 15 THE BURDEN OF ESTABLISHING THAT THE COSTS WERE NOT REASONABLY
- 16 INCURRED UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES THAT EXISTED AT THE TIME THE
- 17 COSTS WERE INCURRED.
- 18 (B) ANY OTHER NECESSARY COSTS OF RESPONSE ACTIVITY REASON-
- 19 ABLY INCURRED BY ANY OTHER PERSON PRIOR TO THE PROMULGATION OF
- 20 RULES RELATING TO THE SELECTION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF RESPONSE
- 21 ACTIVITY UNDER THIS ACT. A PERSON SEEKING RECOVERY OF THESE
- 22 COSTS HAS THE BURDEN OF ESTABLISHING THAT THE COSTS WERE REASON-
- 23 ABLY INCURRED UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES THAT EXISTED AT THE TIME
- 24 THE COSTS WERE INCURRED.
- 25 (4) THE AMOUNTS RECOVERABLE IN AN ACTION UNDER THIS SECTION
- 26 SHALL INCLUDE INTEREST ON THE AMOUNTS RECOVERABLE UNDER
- 27 SUBSECTION (2)(A), (B), AND (C). THIS INTEREST SHALL ACCRUE FROM

- 1 THE DATE PAYMENT IS DEMANDED IN WRITING, OR THE DATE OF THE
- 2 EXPENDITURE OR DAMAGE, WHICHEVER IS LATER. THE RATE OF INTEREST
- 3 ON THE OUTSTANDING UNPAID BALANCE OF THE AMOUNTS RECOVERABLE
- 4 UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL BE THE SAME RATE AS IS SPECIFIED IN
- 5 SECTION 6013(5) OF THE REVISED JUDICATURE ACT OF 1961, ACT
- 6 NO. 236 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1961, BEING SECTION 600.6013 OF THE
- 7 MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS.
- 8 (5) IF THE DIRECTOR DETERMINES THAT THERE MAY BE AN IMMINENT
- 9 AND SUBSTANTIAL ENDANGERMENT TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH OR WELFARE OR
- 10 THE ENVIRONMENT BECAUSE OF AN ACTUAL OR THREATENED RELEASE FROM A
- 11 FACILITY, THE ATTORNEY GENERAL MAY BRING AN ACTION AGAINST ANY
- 12 PERSON DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (1) OR ANY OTHER APPROPRIATE
- 13 PERSON TO SECURE THE RELIEF THAT MAY BE NECESSARY TO ABATE THE
- 14 DANGER OR THREAT. THE COURT HAS JURISDICTION TO GRANT SUCH
- 15 RELIEF AS THE PUBLIC INTEREST AND THE EQUITIES OF THE CASE MAY
- 16 REQUIRE.
- 17 SEC. 12A. (1) A PERSON SHALL NOT BE LIABLE UNDER SECTION 12
- 18 IF THAT PERSON ESTABLISHES BY A PREPONDERANCE OF THE EVIDENCE
- 19 THAT THE RELEASE OR THREAT OF RELEASE WAS CAUSED SOLELY BY:
- 20 (A) AN ACT OF GOD.
- 21 (B) AN ACT OF WAR.
- (C) AN ACT OR OMISSION OF A THIRD PARTY OTHER THAN AN
- 23 EMPLOYEE OR AGENT OF THE PERSON THAT MAY BE LIABLE UNDER
- 24 SECTION 12, OR OTHER THAN ONE WHOSE ACT OR OMISSION OCCURS IN
- 25 CONNECTION WITH A CONTRACTUAL RELATIONSHIP, EXISTING DIRECTLY OR
- 26 INDIRECTLY, WITH THE PERSON THAT MAY BE LIABLE UNDER SECTION 12

- 1 IF THE PERSON THAT MAY BE LIABLE UNDER SECTION 12 ESTABLISHES BY
- 2 A PREPONDERANCE OF THE EVIDENCE BOTH OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 3 (i) THAT HE OR SHE EXERCISED DUE CARE WITH RESPECT TO THE
- 4 HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, TAKING INTO CONSIDERATION THE CHARACTERIS-
- 5 TICS OF THE HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, IN LIGHT OF ALL RELEVANT FACTS
- 6 AND CIRCUMSTANCES.
- 7 (ii) THAT HE OR SHE TOOK PRECAUTIONS AGAINST FORESEEABLE
- 8 ACTS OR OMISSIONS OF A THIRD PARTY AND THE CONSEQUENCES THAT
- 9 FORESEEABLY COULD RESULT FROM THOSE ACTS OR OMISSIONS.
- 10 (D) ANY COMBINATION OF SUBDIVISION (A), (B), OR (C).
- 11 (2) THE TERM CONTRACTUAL RELATIONSHIP, AS USED IN SUBSECTION
- 12 (1)(C), INCLUDES, BUT IS NOT LIMITED TO, LAND CONTRACTS, DEEDS,
- 13 OR OTHER INSTRUMENTS TRANSFERRING TITLE OR POSSESSION, UNLESS
- 14 BOTH OF THE FOLLOWING ARE ESTABLISHED:
- 15 (A) THE REAL PROPERTY ON WHICH THE FACILITY IS LOCATED WAS
- 16 ACQUIRED BY THE PERSON THAT MAY BE LIABLE UNDER SECTION 12 AFTER
- 17 THE DISPOSAL OR PLACEMENT OF THE HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE ON, IN, OR
- 18 AT THE PROPERTY.
- 19 (B) THE PERSON THAT MAY BE LIABLE UNDER SECTION 12 BY A PRE-
- 20 PONDERANCE OF THE EVIDENCE PROVES 1 OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 21 (i) AT THE TIME THE PERSON THAT MAY BE LIABLE UNDER
- 22 SECTION 12 ACQUIRED THE PROPERTY, THAT PERSON DID NOT KNOW AND
- 23 HAD NO REASON TO KNOW THAT A HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE THAT IS THE
- 24 SUBJECT OF THE RELEASE OR THREAT OF A RELEASE WAS DISPOSED OF ON,
- 25 IN, OR AT THE FACILITY.
- 26 (ii) THE PERSON THAT MAY BE LIABLE UNDER SECTION 12 IS A
- 27 STATE OR LOCAL UNIT OF GOVERNMENT THAT ACQUIRES THE PROPERTY BY

- 1 PURCHASE, GIFT, TRANSFER, DEDICATION, OR CONDEMNATION, AND THE
- 2 STATE OR LOCAL UNIT OF GOVERNMENT DOES ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 3 (A) CONDUCTS A VISUAL INSPECTION OF THE PROPERTY AND REVIEWS
- 4 THE OWNERSHIP AND USE HISTORY OF THE PROPERTY TO DETERMINE
- 5 WHETHER A PROBABILITY EXISTS THAT THE PROPERTY IS A FACILITY. IF
- 6 THE VISUAL INSPECTION OR THE OWNERSHIP AND USE HISTORY, OR BOTH,
- 7 SHOW THAT THERE MAY BE A RELEASE OR THREAT OF RELEASE, THE GOV-
- 8 ERNMENT ENTITY SHALL CONDUCT, OR CAUSE TO BE CONDUCTED, AN ENVI-
- 9 RONMENTAL ASSESSMENT OF THE PROPERTY THAT INCLUDES AN ON-SITE
- 10 EVALUATION OF THE NATURE AND EXTENT, IF ANY, OF THE RELEASE OR
- 11 THREAT OF RELEASE, AND AN INSPECTION OF ALL PERMANENT STRUCTURES
- 12 ON THE PROPERTY FOR THE PRESENCE OF A HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE.
- 13 (B) PRIOR TO FINAL ACQUISITION, IF THE ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESS-
- 14 MENT REQUIRED IN SUBDIVISION (A) DISCLOSES A RELEASE OR THREAT OF
- 15 RELEASE, A REPORT OF THE FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS SHALL BE SUB-
- 16 MITTED TO THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE UNIT OF GOVERNMENT AND THE
- 17 DEPARTMENT. THE REPORT SHALL BE AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION,
- 18 AND ITS AVAILABILITY NOTICED TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC.
- 19 (iii) THE PERSON THAT MAY BE LIABLE UNDER SECTION 12
- 20 ACQUIRED THE PROPERTY BY INHERITANCE.
- 21 (3) IN ADDITION TO ESTABLISHING | OR MORE OF THE CIRCUM-
- 22 STANCES DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (2)(B)(i), (ii), OR (iii), THE
- 23 PERSON THAT MAY BE LIABLE UNDER SECTION 12 SHALL ESTABLISH THAT
- 24 HE OR SHE HAS SATISFIED THE REQUIREMENTS OF SUBSECTION (1)(C)(i)
- 25 AND (ii).
- 26 (4) TO ESTABLISH THAT THE PERSON THAT MAY BE LIABLE UNDER
- 27 SECTION 12 HAD NO REASON TO KNOW, AS REQUIRED UNDER SUBSECTION

- 1 (2)(B)(i), THE PERSON THAT MAY BE LIABLE UNDER SECTION 12 SHALL
- 2 HAVE UNDERTAKEN, AT THE TIME OF ACQUISITION, ALL APPROPRIATE
- 3 INQUIRY INTO THE PREVIOUS OWNERSHIP AND USES OF THE PROPERTY CON-
- 4 SISTENT WITH GOOD COMMERCIAL OR CUSTOMARY PRACTICE IN AN EFFORT
- 5 TO MINIMIZE LIABILITY. FOR PURPOSES OF THE PRECEDING SENTENCE,
- 6 THE COURT SHALL TAKE INTO ACCOUNT ANY SPECIALIZED KNOWLEDGE OR
- 7 EXPERIENCE ON THE PART OF THE PERSON THAT MAY BE LIABLE UNDER
- 8 SECTION 12, THE RELATIONSHIP OF THE PURCHASE PRICE TO THE VALUE
- 9 OF THE PROPERTY IF UNCONTAMINATED BY A HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, COM-
- 10 MONLY KNOWN OR REASONABLY ASCERTAINABLE INFORMATION ABOUT THE
- 11 PROPERTY, THE OBVIOUSNESS OF THE PRESENCE OR LIKELY PRESENCE OF A
- 12 RELEASE OR THREAT OF RELEASE AT THE PROPERTY, AND THE ABILITY TO
- 13 DETECT A RELEASE OR THREAT OF RELEASE BY APPROPRIATE INSPECTION.
- 4 (5) THIS SECTION SHALL NOT DIMINISH THE LIABILITY OF A PRE-
- 15 VIOUS OWNER OR OPERATOR OF A FACILITY WHO WOULD OTHERWISE BE
- 16 LIABLE UNDER THIS ACT. NOTWITHSTANDING THIS SECTION, IF THE
- 17 PERSON THAT MAY BE LIABLE UNDER SECTION 12 OBTAINED ACTUAL KNOWL-
- 18 EDGE OF THE RELEASE OR THREAT OF RELEASE AT THE FACILITY WHEN
- 19 THAT PERSON OWNED THE REAL PROPERTY AND THEN TRANSFERRED OWNER-
- 20 SHIP OF THE PROPERTY TO ANOTHER PERSON WITHOUT DISCLOSING THIS
- 21 KNOWLEDGE, THE PERSON THAT MAY BE LIABLE UNDER SECTION 12 SHALL
- 22 BE LIABLE UNDER SECTION 12 AND A DEFENSE UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL
- 23 NOT BE AVAILABLE TO THAT PERSON. NOTHING IN THIS SECTION SHALL
- 24 AFFECT THE LIABILITY UNDER THIS ACT OF A PERSON THAT MAY BE
- 25 LIABLE UNDER SECTION 12 WHO, BY AN ACT OR OMISSION, CAUSED OR
- 26 CONTRIBUTED TO THE RELEASE OR THREAT OF RELEASE THAT IS THE
- 27 SUBJECT OF A RESPONSE ACTIVITY AT THE FACILITY.

- 1 (6) THE STATE OR A LOCAL UNIT OF GOVERNMENT SHALL NOT BE
- 2 LIABLE UNDER THIS ACT FOR COSTS OR DAMAGES AS A RESULT OF ACTIONS
- 3 TAKEN IN RESPONSE TO A RELEASE OR THREAT OF RELEASE GENERATED BY
- 4 OR FROM A FACILITY OWNED BY ANOTHER PERSON. THIS SUBSECTION
- 5 SHALL NOT PRECLUDE LIABILITY FOR COSTS OR DAMAGES AS A RESULT OF
- 6 GROSS NEGLIGENCE, INCLUDING RECKLESS, WILLFUL, OR WANTON MISCON-
- 7 DUCT, OR INTENTIONAL MISCONDUCT BY THE STATE OR LOCAL UNIT OF
- 8 GOVERNMENT.
- 9 (7) A COMMERCIAL LENDING INSTITUTION THAT WITHOUT PARTICI-
- 10 PATING IN THE MANAGEMENT OF A FACILITY ACQUIRES A PROPERTY THAT
- II IS A FACILITY FOR THE PURPOSE OF REALIZING ON A SECURITY INTEREST
- 12 SHALL NOT BE LIABLE UNDER THIS ACT, IF 1 OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING
- 13 IS TRUE:
- 14 (A) THE PROPERTY IS A RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY.
- 15 (B) THE PROPERTY IS AN AGRICULTURAL PROPERTY, AND THE
- 16 RELEASE OR THREATENED RELEASED OCCURRED AS A RESULT OF THE APPLI-
- 17 CATION OF A FERTILIZER, SOIL CONDITIONER, OR PESTICIDE, OR A COM-
- 18 BINATION OF THESE SUBSTANCES, IF APPLIED ACCORDING TO LABEL
- 19 DIRECTIONS AND ACCORDING TO GENERALLY ACCEPTED AGRICULTURAL AND
- 20 MANAGEMENT PRACTICES.
- 21 (C) THE COMMERCIAL LENDING INSTITUTION ACQUIRED OWNERSHIP OR
- 22 CONTROL OF THE PROPERTY INVOLUNTARILY THROUGH A COURT ORDER OR
- 23 OTHER INVOLUNTARY CIRCUMSTANCE.
- 24 SEC. 12B. (1) IF 2 OR MORE PERSONS ACTING INDEPENDENTLY
- 25 CAUSE A RELEASE OR THREAT OF RELEASE THAT RESULTS IN RESPONSE
- 26 ACTIVITY COSTS, OR DAMAGES FOR INJURY TO, DESTRUCTION OF, OR LOSS
- 27 OF NATURAL RESOURCES, AND THERE IS A REASONABLE BASIS FOR

- 1 DIVISION OF HARM ACCORDING TO CONTRIBUTION OF EACH PERSON, EACH
- 2 PERSON IS SUBJECT TO LIABILITY UNDER SECTION 12 ONLY FOR THE POR-
- 3 TION OF THE TOTAL HARM THAT THE PERSON CAUSED. HOWEVER, A PERSON
- 4 SEEKING TO LIMIT ITS LIABILITY ON THE GROUND THAT THE ENTIRE HARM
- 5 IS CAPABLE OF DIVISION SHALL HAVE THE BURDEN OF PROOF AS TO THE
- 6 DIVISIBILITY OF THE HARM AND AS TO THE APPORTIONMENT OF
- 7 LIABILITY.
- 8 (2) IF 2 OR MORE PERSONS CAUSE OR CONTRIBUTE TO AN INDIVISI-
- 9 BLE HARM THAT RESULTS IN RESPONSE ACTIVITY COSTS, OR DAMAGES FOR
- 10 INJURY TO, DESTRUCTION OF, OR LOSS OF NATURAL RESOURCES, EACH
- 11 PERSON IS SUBJECT TO LIABILITY UNDER SECTION 12 FOR THE ENTIRE
- 12 HARM.
- 13 (3) A PERSON MAY SEEK CONTRIBUTION FROM ANY OTHER PERSON WHO
- 14 IS LIABLE OR MAY BE LIABLE UNDER SECTION 12 DURING OR FOLLOWING A
- 15 CIVIL ACTION BROUGHT UNDER THIS ACT. NOTHING IN THIS SUBSECTION
- 16 SHALL DIMINISH THE RIGHT OF A PERSON TO BRING AN ACTION FOR CON-
- 17 TRIBUTION IN THE ABSENCE OF A CIVIL ACTION BY THE STATE UNDER
- 18 THIS ACT. THE COURT SHALL CONSIDER ALL OF THE FOLLOWING FACTORS
- 19 IN ALLOCATING RESPONSE ACTIVITY COSTS AND DAMAGES AMONG LIABLE
- 20 PERSONS:
- 21 (A) EACH PERSON'S RELATIVE DEGREE OF RESPONSIBILITY IN CAUS-
- 22 ING THE RELEASE OR THREAT OF RELEASE.
- 23 (B) THE PRINCIPLES OF EQUITY PERTAINING TO CONTRIBUTION.
- 24 (C) THE DEGREE OF INVOLVEMENT OF AND CARE EXERCISED BY THE
- 25 PERSON IN THE INVOLVEMENT OF THE PERSON WITH THE HAZARDOUS
- 26 SUBSTANCE.

- (D) THE DEGREE OF COOPERATION BY THE PERSON WITH FEDERAL,
- 2 STATE, OR LOCAL OFFICIALS TO PREVENT, MINIMIZE, RESPOND TO, OR
- 3 REMEDY THE RELEASE OR THREAT OF RELEASE.
- 4 (E) WHETHER EQUITY REQUIRES THAT THE LIABILITY OF SOME OF
- 5 THE PERSONS SHOULD CONSTITUTE A SINGLE SHARE.
- 6 (4) IF, IN AN ACTION FOR CONTRIBUTION UNDER SUBSECTION (3),
- 7 THE COURT DETERMINES THAT ALL OR PART OF A PERSON'S SHARE OF
- 8 LIABILITY IS UNCOLLECTIBLE FROM THAT PERSON, THEN THE COURT MAY
- 9 REALLOCATE ANY UNCOLLECTIBLE AMOUNT AMONG THE OTHER PERSONS
- 10 ACCORDING TO THE FACTORS LISTED IN SUBSECTION (3). A PERSON
- 11 WHOSE SHARE IS DETERMINED TO BE UNCOLLECTIBLE SHALL CONTINUE TO
- 12 BE SUBJECT TO CONTRIBUTION AND TO ANY CONTINUING LIABILITY TO THE
- 13 STATE.
- 14 (5) A PERSON THAT HAS RESOLVED ITS LIABILITY TO THE STATE IN
- 15 AN ADMINISTRATIVE OR JUDICIALLY APPROVED SETTLEMENT SHALL NOT BE
- 16 LIABLE FOR CLAIMS FOR CONTRIBUTION REGARDING MATTERS ADDRESSED IN
- 17 THE SETTLEMENT. THE SETTLEMENT DOES NOT DISCHARGE ANY OF THE
- 18 OTHER PERSONS LIABLE UNDER SECTION 12 UNLESS THE TERMS OF THE
- 19 SETTLEMENT PROVIDE FOR THIS DISCHARGE, BUT THE POTENTIAL LIABIL-
- 20 ITY OF THE OTHER PERSONS IS REDUCED BY THE AMOUNT OF THE
- 21 SETTLEMENT.
- 22 (6) IF THE STATE OBTAINS LESS THAN COMPLETE RELIEF FROM A
- 23 PERSON THAT HAS RESOLVED ITS LIABILITY TO THE STATE IN AN ADMIN-
- 24 ISTRATIVE OR JUDICIALLY APPROVED SETTLEMENT UNDER THIS ACT, THE
- 25 STATE MAY BRING AN ACTION AGAINST ANY OTHER PERSON LIABLE UNDER
- 26 SECTION 12 THAT HAS NOT RESOLVED ITS LIABILITIES.

- 1 (7) A PERSON THAT HAS RESOLVED ITS LIABILITY TO THE STATE
- 2 FOR SOME OR ALL OF A RESPONSE ACTIVITY IN AN ADMINISTRATIVE OR
- 3 JUDICIALLY APPROVED SETTLEMENT MAY SEEK CONTRIBUTION FROM ANY
- 4 PERSON THAT IS NOT A PARTY TO THE SETTLEMENT DESCRIBED IN SUBSEC-
- 5 TION (5).
- 6 (8) IN AN ACTION FOR CONTRIBUTION UNDER THIS SECTION, THE
- 7 RIGHTS OF ANY PERSON THAT HAS RESOLVED ITS LIABILITY TO THE STATE
- 8 SHALL BE SUBORDINATE TO THE RIGHTS OF THE STATE, IF THE STATE
- 9 FILES AN ACTION UNDER THIS ACT.
- 10 SEC. 12C. (1) AN INDEMNIFICATION, HOLD HARMLESS, OR SIMILAR
- 11 AGREEMENT OR CONVEYANCE SHALL NOT BE EFFECTIVE TO TRANSFER FROM A
- 12 PERSON WHO MAY BE LIABLE TO THE STATE FOR EVALUATION OR RESPONSE
- 13 ACTIVITY COSTS OR DAMAGES FOR A RELEASE OR THREAT OF RELEASE
- 14 UNDER SECTION 12 TO ANY OTHER PERSON THE LIABILITY IMPOSED UNDER
- 15 THIS ACT. THIS SECTION SHALL NOT BAR AN AGREEMENT TO INSURE,
- 16 HOLD HARMLESS, OR INDEMNIFY A PARTY TO THE AGREEMENT FOR LIABIL-
- 17 ITY UNDER THIS ACT.
- 18 (2) THIS ACT SHALL NOT BAR A CAUSE OF ACTION THAT A PERSON
- 19 SUBJECT TO LIABILITY UNDER THIS ACT, OR A GUARANTOR, HAS OR WOULD
- 20 HAVE, BY REASON OF SUBROGATION OR OTHERWISE AGAINST ANY PERSON.
- 21 SEC. 12D. (1) TO DETERMINE THE NEED FOR RESPONSE ACTIVITY,
- 22 OR SELECTING OR TAKING A RESPONSE ACTIVITY OR OTHERWISE ENFORCING
- 23 THIS ACT OR A RULE PROMULGATED UNDER THIS ACT, THE DIRECTORS OR
- 24 THEIR AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVES MAY UPON REASONABLE NOTICE
- 25 REQUIRE A PERSON TO FURNISH ANY INFORMATION THAT THE PERSON MAY
- 26 HAVE RELATING TO ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:

- (A) THE IDENTIFICATION, NATURE, AND QUANTITY OF MATERIALS
- 2 THAT HAVE BEEN OR ARE GENERATED, TREATED, STORED, HANDLED, OR
- 3 DISPOSED OF AT A FACILITY OR TRANSPORTED TO A FACILITY.
- 4 (B) THE NATURE OR EXTENT OF A RELEASE OR THREATENED RELEASE
- 5 AT OR FROM A FACILITY.
- 6 (C) INFORMATION RELATING TO THE ABILITY OF A PERSON TO PAY
- 7 FOR OR PERFORM RESPONSE ACTIVITY.
- 8 (2) UPON REASONABLE NOTICE, A PERSON REQUIRED TO FURNISH
- 9 INFORMATION PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (1) SHALL EITHER:
- (A) GRANT THE DIRECTORS OR THEIR AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVES
- 11 ACCESS AT ALL REASONABLE TIMES TO ANY PLACE, PROPERTY, OR LOCA-
- 12 TION TO INSPECT AND COPY THE RELATED INFORMATION.
- (B) COPY AND FURNISH TO THE DIRECTORS OR THEIR AUTHORIZED
- 14 REPRESENTATIVES THE RELATED INFORMATION.
- 15 (3) IF THERE IS A REASONABLE BASIS TO BELIEVE THAT THERE MAY
- 16 BE A RELEASE OR THREAT OF RELEASE, THE DIRECTORS OR THEIR AUTHO-
- 17 RIZED REPRESENTATIVES SHALL HAVE THE RIGHT TO ENTER AT ALL REA-
- 18 SONABLE TIMES ANY PUBLIC OR PRIVATE PROPERTY FOR ANY OF THE FOL-
- 19 LOWING PURPOSES:
- 20 (A) IDENTIFYING A SITE.
- 21 (B) INVESTIGATING THE EXISTENCE, ORIGIN, NATURE, OR EXTENT
- 22 OF A RELEASE OR THREATENED RELEASE.
- (C) INSPECTING, TESTING, TAKING PHOTOGRAPHS OR VIDEOTAPES,
- 24 OR SAMPLING OF ANY OF THE FOLLOWING: SOILS, AIR, SURFACE WATER,
- 25 GROUNDWATER, SUSPECTED HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES, OR ANY CONTAINERS OR
- 26 LABELS OF SUSPECTED HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES.

- 1 (D) DETERMINING THE NEED FOR OR SELECTING ANY RESPONSE 2 ACTIVITY.
- 3 (E) TAKING OR MONITORING IMPLEMENTATION OF ANY RESPONSE
 4 ACTIVITY.
- 5 (4) A PERSON WHO ENTERS PUBLIC OR PRIVATE PROPERTY PURSUANT
- 6 TO SUBSECTION (3) SHALL PRESENT CREDENTIALS, MAKE A REASONABLE
- 7 EFFORT TO CONTACT THE PERSON IN CHARGE OF THE FACILITY OR THAT
- 8 PERSON'S DESIGNEE, AND, UPON REQUEST, DESCRIBE THE NATURE OF THE
- 9 ACTIVITIES AUTHORIZED UNDER SUBSECTION (3) TO BE UNDERTAKEN. THE
- 10 PERSON IN CHARGE OR HIS OR HER AGENT MAY ACCOMPANY THE DIRECTORS
- 11 OR THEIR AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVES DURING THE ACTIVITIES AUTHO-
- 12 RIZED UNDER SUBSECTION (3) THAT TAKE PLACE AND MAY PARTICIPATE IN
- 13 THE COLLECTION OF ANY SPLIT SAMPLES ON THE PROPERTY. THE ABSENCE
- 14 OR UNAVAILABILITY OF THE PERSON IN CHARGE OR THAT PERSON'S AGENT
- 15 SHALL NOT DELAY OR LIMIT THE AUTHORITY OF THE DIRECTORS OR THEIR
- 16 AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVES TO ENTER THE PROPERTY OR PROCEED WITH
- 17 THE ACTIVITIES AUTHORIZED UNDER SUBSECTION (3).
- 18 (5) IF THE DIRECTORS OR THEIR AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVES
- 19 OBTAIN ANY SAMPLES, BEFORE LEAVING THE PROPERTY THEY SHALL GIVE
- 20 TO THE PERSON IN CHARGE OF THE PROPERTY FROM WHICH THE SAMPLES
- 21 WERE OBTAINED A RECEIPT DESCRIBING THE SAMPLE AND, IF REQUESTED,
- 22 A PORTION OF EACH SAMPLE. A COPY OF THE RESULTS OF ANY ANALYSIS
- 23 OF THE SAMPLES SHALL UPON REQUEST BE FURNISHED PROMPTLY TO THE
- 24 PERSON IN CHARGE. A COPY OF ANY PHOTOGRAPH OR VIDEOTAPE TAKEN
- 25 PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (3)(C) SHALL UPON REQUEST BE FURNISHED
- 26 PROMPTLY TO THE PERSON IN CHARGE.

- (6) ALL INSPECTIONS AND INVESTIGATIONS UNDERTAKEN BY THE
- 2 DIRECTORS OR THEIR AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVES UNDER THIS SECTION
- 3 SHALL BE COMPLETED WITH REASONABLE PROMPTNESS.
- 4 (7) FOR THE PURPOSES OF ENFORCING THE INFORMATION GATHERING
- 5 AND ENTRY AUTHORITY PROVIDED IN THIS SECTION, THE ATTORNEY GENER-
- 6 AL, ON BEHALF OF THE STATE, MAY DO EITHER OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 7 (A) PETITION THE COURT OF APPROPRIATE JURISDICTION FOR A
- 8 WARRANT AUTHORIZING ACCESS TO PROPERTY OR INFORMATION PURSUANT TO
- 9 THIS SECTION.
- 10 (B) COMMENCE A CIVIL ACTION TO COMPEL COMPLIANCE WITH A
- 11 REQUEST FOR INFORMATION OR ENTRY PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION, TO
- 12 AUTHORIZE INFORMATION GATHERING AND ENTRY PROVIDED FOR IN THIS
- 13 SECTION, AND TO ENJOIN INTERFERENCE WITH THE EXERCISE OF THE
- 14 AUTHORITY PROVIDED IN THIS SECTION.
- 15 (8) IN A CIVIL ACTION BROUGHT PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (7),
- 16 WHERE THERE IS A REASONABLE BASIS TO BELIEVE THERE MAY BE A
- 17 RELEASE OR A THREATENED RELEASE, THE COURT SHALL IN THE CASE OF
- 18 INTERFERENCE OR NONCOMPLIANCE WITH INFORMATION REQUESTS PURSUANT
- 19 TO SUBSECTION (1), OR WITH ENTRY OR INSPECTION REQUESTS PURSUANT
- 20 TO SUBSECTION (3), ENJOIN INTERFERENCE WITH AND DIRECT COMPLIANCE
- 21 WITH THE REQUESTS UNLESS THE DEFENDANT ESTABLISHES THAT, UNDER
- 22 THE CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE CASE, THE REQUEST IS ARBITRARY AND
- 23 CAPRICIOUS, AN ABUSE OF DISCRETION, OR OTHERWISE NOT IN ACCORD-
- 24 ANCE WITH LAW.
- 25 (9) IN A CIVIL ACTION BROUGHT PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (7)
- 26 WHERE THERE IS A REASONABLE BASIS TO BELIEVE THERE MAY BE A
- 27 RELEASE OR A THREATENED RELEASE, THE COURT MAY ASSESS A CIVIL

- 1 FINE NOT TO EXCEED \$25,000.00 FOR EACH DAY OF NONCOMPLIANCE
- 2 AGAINST ANY PERSON WHO UNREASONABLY FAILS TO COMPLY WITH THE PRO-
- 3 VISIONS OF SUBSECTION (1), (2), OR (3).
- 4 (10) INFORMATION OBTAINED BY THE DIRECTORS OR THEIR AUTHO-
- 5 RIZED REPRESENTATIVES AS AUTHORIZED UNDER SUBSECTION (1) OR (2)
- 6 SHALL BE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC TO THE EXTENT PROVIDED BY THE
- 7 FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT, ACT NO. 442 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF
- 8 1976, BEING SECTIONS 15.231 TO 15.246 OF THE MICHIGAN COMPILED
- 9 LAWS. A PERSON WHO PROVIDES INFORMATION PURSUANT TO
- 10 SUBSECTION (1) OR (2), OR THE PERSON IN CHARGE OF A FACILITY AT
- 11 WHICH PHOTOGRAPHS OR VIDEOTAPES ARE TAKEN PURSUANT TO
- 12 SUBSECTION (3), MAY DESIGNATE THE INFORMATION THAT THE PERSON
- 13 BELIEVES TO BE ENTITLED TO PROTECTION AS IF THEY WERE EXEMPT FROM
- 14 DISCLOSURE AS BEING EITHER TRADE SECRETS OR INFORMATION OF A PER-
- 15 SONAL NATURE UNDER SECTION 13(1)(A) OR (G) OF THE FREEDOM OF
- 16 INFORMATION ACT, ACT NO. 442 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1976, BEING
- 17 SECTION 15.243 OF THE MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS, AND SUBMIT THAT
- 18 SPECIFICALLY DESIGNATED INFORMATION SEPARATELY FROM OTHER INFOR-
- 19 MATION REQUIRED TO BE PROVIDED UNDER THIS SECTION.
- 20 (11) NOTWITHSTANDING SUBSECTION (10), THE FOLLOWING INFORMA-
- 21 TION OBTAINED BY THE DIRECTORS OR THEIR AUTHORIZED REPRESENTA-
- 22 TIVES AS REQUIRED BY THIS SECTION SHALL BE AVAILABLE TO THE
- 23 PUBLIC:
- 24 (A) THE TRADE NAME, COMMON NAME, OR GENERIC CLASS OR CATE-
- 25 GORY OF THE HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE.
- 26 (B) THE PHYSICAL PROPERTIES OF A HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE,
- 27 INCLUDING ITS BOILING POINT, MELTING POINT, FLASH POINT, SPECIFIC

- 1 GRAVITY, VAPOR DENSITY, SOLUBILITY IN WATER, AND VAPOR PRESSURE
- 2 AT 20 DEGREES CELSIUS.
- 3 (C) THE HAZARDS TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY, OR WELFARE, OR
- 4 THE ENVIRONMENT POSED BY A HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, INCLUDING PHYSI-
- 5 CAL HAZARDS, SUCH AS EXPLOSION, AND POTENTIAL ACUTE AND CHRONIC
- 6 HEALTH HAZARDS.
- 7 (D) THE POTENTIAL ROUTES OF HUMAN EXPOSURE TO THE HAZARDOUS
- 8 SUBSTANCE AT THE FACILITY BEING INVESTIGATED, ENTERED, OR
- 9 INSPECTED UNDER THIS SECTION.
- 10 (E) THE LOCATION OF DISPOSAL OF ANY WASTE STREAM RELEASED OR
- 11 THREATENED TO BE RELEASED FROM THE FACILITY.
- 12 (F) MONITORING DATA OR ANALYSIS OF MONITORING DATA PERTAIN-
- 13 ING TO DISPOSAL ACTIVITIES RELATED TO THE FACILITY.
- 14 (G) HYDROGEOLOGIC DATA.
- 15 (H) GROUNDWATER MONITORING DATA.
- 16 (12) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, "INFORMATION" INCLUDES, BUT IS
- 17 NOT LIMITED TO, DOCUMENTS, MATERIALS, RECORDS, PHOTOGRAPHS, AND
- 18 VIDEOTAPES.
- 19 SEC. 12E. (1) AN OWNER OR OPERATOR OF A FACILITY WHO
- 20 OBTAINS INFORMATION THAT THERE MAY BE A RELEASE AT THAT FACILITY
- 21 SHALL IMMEDIATELY TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION, CONSISTENT WITH APPLI-
- 22 CABLE LAWS AND RULES PROMULGATED BY THE DEPARTMENT, TO DO ALL OF
- 23 THE FOLLOWING:
- 24 (A) CONFIRM THE EXISTENCE OF THE RELEASE.
- 25 (B) DETERMINE THE NATURE AND EXTENT OF THE RELEASE.
- 26 (C) REPORT THE RELEASE TO THE DEPARTMENT WITHIN 24 HOURS
- 27 AFTER OBTAINING KNOWLEDGE OF THE RELEASE. THE REQUIREMENTS OF

- 1 THIS SUBDIVISION SHALL APPLY TO REPORTABLE QUANTITIES OF
- 2 HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO 40 C.F.R. 302.4
- 3 (1989), UNLESS THE DEPARTMENT ESTABLISHES THROUGH ADMINISTRATIVE
- 4 RULES ALTERNATE OR ADDITIONAL REPORTABLE QUANTITIES AS NECESSARY
- 5 TO PROTECT THE PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY, OR WELFARE OR THE
- 6 ENVIRONMENT.
- 7 (D) IMMEDIATELY STOP OR PREVENT THE RELEASE AT THE SOURCE.
- 8 (E) IMMEDIATELY IDENTIFY AND ELIMINATE ANY THREAT OF FIRE OR
- 9 EXPLOSION OR ANY DIRECT CONTACT HAZARDS.
- 10 (F) IMMEDIATELY INITIATE REMOVAL OF A HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE
- 11 THAT IS IN A LIQUID PHASE, THAT IS NOT DISSOLVED IN WATER, AND
- 12 THAT HAS BEEN RELEASED.
- 13 (2) A PERSON WHO HOLDS AN EASEMENT INTEREST IN A PORTION OF
- 14 A PROPERTY FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING A PUBLIC SERVICE, INCLUD-
- 15 ING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, UTILITIES, SEWERS, AND ROADS, WHO KNOWS
- 16 OR SHOULD HAVE KNOWN THAT THERE MAY BE A RELEASE OR THREAT OF
- 17 RELEASE ON, OR IN CLOSE PROXIMITY TO, THE EASEMENT SHALL REPORT
- 18 THE RELEASE OR THREAT OF RELEASE TO THE DEPARTMENT WITHIN 24
- 19 HOURS.
- 20 (3) AN OWNER OR OPERATOR OF A FACILITY OR A PERSON NOTIFIED
- 21 BY THE DEPARTMENT AS POTENTIALLY LIABLE PURSUANT TO SECTION 12.
- 22 UPON WRITTEN REQUEST BY THE DEPARTMENT, SHALL TAKE THE FOLLOWING
- 23 ADDITIONAL ACTIONS:
- 24 (A) PROVIDE A PLAN FOR AND UNDERTAKE INTERIM RESPONSE
- 25 ACTIVITIES.
- 26 (B) PROVIDE A PLAN FOR AND UNDERTAKE EVALUATION ACTIVITIES.

- 1 (C) TAKE ANY OTHER RESPONSE ACTIVITY DETERMINED BY THE
- 2 DEPARTMENT TO BE TECHNICALLY SOUND AND NECESSARY TO PROTECT THE
- 3 PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY, WELFARE, OR THE ENVIRONMENT.
- 4 (D) SUBMIT TO THE DEPARTMENT FOR APPROVAL A REMEDIAL ACTION
- 5 PLAN THAT, WHEN IMPLEMENTED, WILL ACHIEVE THE CLEANUP LEVELS
- 6 SPECIFIED IN RULES PROMULGATED UNDER THIS ACT.
- 7 (E) IMPLEMENT AN APPROVED REMEDIAL ACTION PLAN IN ACCORDANCE
- 8 WITH A SCHEDULE APPROVED BY THE DEPARTMENT.
- 9 (4) UPON A DETERMINATION BY THE DEPARTMENT THAT A PERSON HAS
- 10 COMPLETED ALL RESPONSE ACTIVITY AT A FACILITY PURSUANT TO AN
- 11 APPROVED REMEDIAL ACTION PLAN PREPARED AND IMPLEMENTED IN COMPLI-
- 12 ANCE WITH RULES PROMULGATED UNDER THIS ACT, THE DEPARTMENT, UPON
- 13 REQUEST OF A PERSON, SHALL EXECUTE AND PRESENT A DOCUMENT STATING
- 14 THAT ALL RESPONSE ACTIVITIES REQUIRED IN THE APPROVED REMEDIAL
- 15 ACTION PLAN HAVE BEEN COMPLETED.
- 16 (5) THIS SECTION SHALL NOT LIMIT THE AUTHORITY OF THE
- 17 DEPARTMENT TO TAKE OR CONDUCT RESPONSE ACTIVITIES PURSUANT TO
- 18 THIS ACT OR TO LIMIT THE LIABILITY OF A PERSON PURSUANT TO
- 19 SECTION 12.
- 20 SEC. 12F. (1) THE DEPARTMENT MAY REQUIRE A PERSON THAT MAY
- 21 BE LIABLE UNDER SECTION 12 TO TAKE RESPONSE ACTIVITIES AS DETER-
- 22 MINED BY THE DEPARTMENT TO BE NECESSARY AND APPROPRIATE TO PRO-
- 23 TECT THE PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY, OR WELFARE, OR THE ENVIRONMENT.
- 24 (2) WHEN THE DIRECTOR DETERMINES THAT THERE MAY BE AN IMMI-
- 25 NENT AND SUBSTANTIAL ENDANGERMENT TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE,
- 26 OR THE ENVIRONMENT BECAUSE OF AN ACTUAL OR THREATENED RELEASE
- 27 FROM A FACILITY, THE DIRECTOR MAY ISSUE ADMINISTRATIVE ORDERS AS

- 1 MAY BE NECESSARY TO PROTECT THE PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE, AND THE
- 2 ENVIRONMENT. THE DIRECTOR MAY ISSUE ADMINISTRATIVE ORDERS UNDER
- 3 THIS SECTION TO A PERSON IDENTIFIED BY THE DEPARTMENT AS A PERSON
- 4 THAT MAY BE LIABLE UNDER SECTION 12 REQUIRING THAT PERSON TO PER-
- 5 FORM RESPONSE ACTIVITY RELATING TO A FACILITY FOR WHICH THAT
- 6 PERSON MAY BE LIABLE, OR TO PROVIDE RECORD NOTICE AS REQUIRED
- 7 UNDER SECTION 12K, OR TO TAKE ANY OTHER ACTION REQUIRED BY THIS
- 8 ACT. AN ORDER ISSUED UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL STATE WITH REASON-
- 9 ABLE SPECIFICITY THE BASIS FOR ISSUANCE OF THE ORDER AND SPECIFY
- 10 A REASONABLE TIME FOR COMPLIANCE. THE ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER MAY
- 11 REQUIRE RESPONSE ACTIVITY AS THE DEPARTMENT DETERMINES MAY BE
- 12 NECESSARY.
- 13 (3) WITHIN 30 DAYS AFTER ISSUANCE OF AN ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
- 14 UNDER THIS SECTION, A PERSON TO WHOM THE ORDER WAS ISSUED SHALL
- 15 INDICATE IN WRITING WHETHER IT INTENDS TO COMPLY WITH THE ORDER.
- 16 (4) A PERSON THAT, WITHOUT SUFFICIENT CAUSE, VIOLATES OR
- 17 FAILS TO PROPERLY COMPLY WITH AN ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER ISSUED
- 18 UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL BE LIABLE FOR EITHER OR BOTH OF THE
- 19 FOLLOWING:
- 20 (A) A CIVIL FINE OF NOT MORE THAN \$25,000.00 FOR EACH DAY IN
- 21 WHICH THE VIOLATION OCCURS OR THE FAILURE TO COMPLY CONTINUES. A
- 22 FINE IMPOSED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION SHALL BE BASED UPON THE SERI-
- 23 OUSNESS OF THE VIOLATION AND ANY GOOD FAITH EFFORTS BY THE VIOLA-
- 24 TOR TO COMPLY WITH THE ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER.
- 25 (B) FOR EXEMPLARY DAMAGES IN AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO 3 TIMES THE
- 26 AMOUNT OF ANY COSTS OF RESPONSE ACTIVITY INCURRED BY THE STATE AS
- 27 A RESULT OF A FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH AN ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER.

- 1 (5) A PERSON TO WHOM AN ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER WAS ISSUED
- 2 UNDER THIS SECTION AND WHO COMPLIED WITH THE TERMS OF THE ORDER
- 3 WHO BELIEVES THAT THE ORDER WAS ARBITRARY AND CAPRICIOUS OR
- 4 UNLAWFUL MAY PETITION THE DEPARTMENT, WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER COM-
- 5 PLETION OF THE REQUIRED ACTION, FOR REIMBURSEMENT FROM THE FUND
- 6 FOR THE REASONABLE COSTS OF THE ACTION PLUS INTEREST AT THE RATE
- 7 DESCRIBED IN SECTION 12(4) AND OTHER NECESSARY COSTS INCURRED IN
- 8 SEEKING REIMBURSEMENT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION. IF THE DEPARTMENT
- 9 REFUSES TO GRANT ALL OR PART OF THE PETITION, THE PETITIONER MAY,
- 10 WITHIN 30 DAYS OF RECEIPT OF THE REFUSAL, FILE AN ACTION AGAINST
- 11 THE DEPARTMENT IN THE COURT OF CLAIMS SEEKING THIS RELIEF. TO
- 12 OBTAIN REIMBURSEMENT, THE PETITIONER SHALL ESTABLISH BY A PREPON-
- 13 DERANCE OF THE EVIDENCE THAT THE PETITIONER IS NOT LIABLE UNDER
- 14 SECTION 12 OR THAT THE ACTION ORDERED WAS ARBITRARY AND CAPRI-
- 15 CIOUS OR UNLAWFUL, AND IN EITHER INSTANCE THAT COSTS FOR WHICH
- 16 THE PETITIONER SEEKS REIMBURSEMENT ARE REASONABLE IN LIGHT OF THE
- 17 ACTION REQUIRED BY AND UNDERTAKEN PURSUANT TO THE RELEVANT ORDER.
- 18 SEC. 12G. (1) THE DEPARTMENT MAY TAKE RESPONSE ACTIVITY OR
- 19 APPROVE OF RESPONSE ACTIVITY PROPOSED BY A PERSON NOT INCONSIS-
- 20 TENT WITH ANY RULES PROMULGATED UNDER THIS ACT RELATING TO THE
- 21 SELECTION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF RESPONSE ACTIVITY AS THE DEPART-
- 22 MENT CONCLUDES IS NECESSARY AND APPROPRIATE TO PROTECT THE PUBLIC
- 23 HEALTH, SAFETY, WELFARE, OR THE ENVIRONMENT.
- 24 (2) REMEDIAL ACTION UNDERTAKEN UNDER SUBSECTION (1) SHALL AT
- 25 A MINIMUM ACCOMPLISH ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 26 (A) ASSURE THE PROTECTION OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY,
- 27 WELFARE, OR THE ENVIRONMENT.

- 1 (B) ATTAIN A DEGREE OF CLEANUP AND CONTROL OF HAZARDOUS
- 2 SUBSTANCES THAT COMPLIES WITH ALL APPLICABLE OR RELEVANT AND
- 3 APPROPRIATE REQUIREMENTS, RULES, CRITERIA, LIMITATIONS, AND STAN-
- 4 DARDS OF STATE AND FEDERAL ENVIRONMENTAL LAW.
- 5 (C) BE CONSISTENT WITH ANY CLEANUP STANDARDS INCORPORATED IN
- 6 ANY RULES PROMULGATED UNDER THIS ACT.
- 7 (3) THE COST EFFECTIVENESS OF ALTERNATIVE MEANS OF COMPLYING
- 8 WITH THIS SECTION SHALL BE CONSIDERED BY THE DEPARTMENT ONLY IN
- 9 SELECTING AMONG ALTERNATIVES THAT MEET ALL OF THE CRITERIA OF
- 10 SUBSECTION (2).
- 11 (4) REMEDIAL ACTIONS THAT PERMANENTLY AND SIGNIFICANTLY
- 12 REDUCE THE VOLUME, TOXICITY, OR MOBILITY OF THE HAZARDOUS SUB-
- 13 STANCES ARE TO BE PREFERRED.
- 14 (5) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ENCOURAGE THE USE OF INNOVATIVE
- 15 CLEANUP TECHNOLOGIES. BEFORE JULY 1, 1995, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL
- 16 UNDERTAKE 3 PILOT PROJECTS TO DEMONSTRATE INNOVATIVE CLEANUP
- 17 TECHNOLOGIES AT FACILITIES WHERE MONEY FROM THE FUND IS USED.
- 18 (6) BEFORE APPROVAL OF A PROPOSED PLAN FOR REMEDIAL ACTION
- 19 AT A FACILITY INCLUDED ON THE LIST PURSUANT TO SECTION 6 THAT IS
- 20 NOT AN INTERIM RESPONSE ACTIVITY IF MONEY FROM THE FUND IS TO BE
- 21 USED OR AS SPECIFIED IN RULES PROMULGATED UNDER THIS ACT, THE
- 22 DEPARTMENT SHALL DO ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 23 (A) PUBLISH A NOTICE AND BRIEF SUMMARY OF THE RECOMMENDED
 24 PLAN.
- 25 (B) PROVIDE FOR PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENT PERTINENT TO DOCU-
- 26 MENTS RELATING TO THE REMEDIAL ACTION PLAN, INCLUDING, IF

- 1 APPLICABLE, THE FEASIBILITY STUDY THAT OUTLINES ALTERNATIVE
- 2 REMEDIAL ACTION MEASURES CONSIDERED.
- 3 (C) PROVIDE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR A PUBLIC MEETING AT OR NEAR
- 4 THE FACILITY WHEN EITHER OF THE FOLLOWING OCCURS:
- 5 (i) THE DEPARTMENT DETERMINES THAT THERE IS A SIGNIFICANT
- 6 PUBLIC INTEREST OR THAT FOR ANY OTHER REASON A PUBLIC MEETING IS
- 7 APPROPRIATE.
- 8 (ii) A LOCAL UNIT OF GOVERNMENT IN WHICH THE FACILITY IS
- 9 LOCATED, BY A MAJORITY VOTE OF ITS GOVERNING BODY, REQUESTS A
- 10 PUBLIC MEETING.
- 11 (D) PROVIDE A DOCUMENT THAT SUMMARIZES THE MAJOR ISSUES
- 12 RAISED BY THE PUBLIC AND HOW THEY ARE TO BE ADDRESSED BY THE
- 13 FINAL APPROVED PLAN.
- (7) FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, PUBLICATION SHALL INCLUDE,
- 15 AT A MINIMUM, PUBLICATION IN A MAJOR LOCAL NEWSPAPER OF GENERAL
- 16 CIRCULATION. IN ADDITION, THE ADMINISTRATIVE RECORD SHALL BE
- 17 MADE AVAILABLE BY THE DEPARTMENT FOR INSPECTION BY MEMBERS OF THE
- 18 PUBLIC AT OR NEAR THE FACILITY AND IN LANSING.
- 19 (8) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL PREPARE A SUMMARY DOCUMENT THAT
- 20 EXPLAINS THE REASONS FOR THE SELECTION OR APPROVAL OF A REMEDIAL
- 21 ACTION PLAN. IN ADDITION, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL COMPILE AN ADMIN-
- 22 ISTRATIVE RECORD OF THE DECISION PROCESS THAT RESULTS IN THE
- 23 SELECTION OF A REMEDIAL ACTION PLAN. THE ADMINISTRATIVE RECORD
- 24 SHALL CONTAIN ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 25 (A) REMEDIAL INVESTIGATION DATA REGARDING THE FACILITY.
- 26 (B) IF APPLICABLE, A FEASIBILITY STUDY AND POTENTIAL
- 27 REMEDIAL ACTIONS.

- 1 (C) IF APPLICABLE, A SUMMARY DOCUMENT THAT EXPLAINS THE
- 2 REASONS WHY A REMEDIAL INVESTIGATION OR FEASIBILITY STUDY WAS NOT
- 3 CONDUCTED.
- 4 (D) APPLICABLE COMMENTS AND INFORMATION RECEIVED FROM THE
- 5 PUBLIC, IF ANY.
- 6 (E) IF APPLICABLE, A DOCUMENT THAT SUMMARIZES THE SIGNIFI-
- 7 CANT CONCERNS RAISED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AND HOW THEY
- 8 ARE TO BE ADDRESSED.
- 9 (F) OTHER INFORMATION DETERMINED BY THE DEPARTMENT TO BE
- 10 APPROPRIATE TO THE FACILITY.
- 11 (9) IF COMMENTS OR INFORMATION ARE SUBMITTED FOR INCLUSION
- 12 IN THE ADMINISTRATIVE RECORD THAT ARE NOT INCLUDED IN THE ADMIN-
- 13 ISTRATIVE RECORD. A BRIEF EXPLANATION OF WHY THE INFORMATION WAS
- 14 NOT CONSIDERED RELEVANT SHALL BE SENT TO THE PARTY BY THE DEPART-
- 15 MENT AND INCLUDED IN THE RECORD.
- 16 SEC. 12H. (1) IN ADDITION TO OTHER RELIEF AUTHORIZED BY
- 17 LAW, THE ATTORNEY GENERAL MAY, ON BEHALF OF THE STATE, COMMENCE A
- 18 CIVIL ACTION SEEKING 1 OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 19 (A) TEMPORARY OR PERMANENT INJUNCTIVE RELIEF NECESSARY TO
- 20 PROTECT THE PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY, OR WELFARE, OR THE ENVIRONMENT
- 21 FROM THE RELEASE OR THREAT OF RELEASE.
- 22 (B) RECOVERY OF STATE RESPONSE ACTIVITY COSTS PURSUANT TO
- 23 SECTION 12.
- 24 (C) DAMAGES FOR THE FULL VALUE OF INJURY TO, DESTRUCTION OF,
- 25 OR LOSS OF NATURAL RESOURCES RESULTING FROM THE RELEASE OR THREAT
- 26 OF RELEASE, INCLUDING THE REASONABLE COSTS OF ASSESSING THE

- 1 INJURY, DESTRUCTION, OR LOSS RESULTING FROM THE RELEASE OR THREAT 2 OF RELEASE.
- 3 (D) A DECLARATORY JUDGMENT ON LIABILITY FOR FUTURE RESPONSE
- 5 (E) A CIVIL FINE OF NOT MORE THAN \$10,000.00 FOR EACH DAY OF
- 6 VIOLATION OF THIS ACT OR A RULE PROMULGATED UNDER THIS ACT. A
- 7 FINE IMPOSED UNDER THIS SUBDIVISION SHALL BE BASED UPON THE SERI-
- 8 OUSNESS OF THE VIOLATION AND ANY GOOD FAITH EFFORTS OF THE PERSON
- 9 TO COMPLY WITH THIS ACT OR A RULE PROMULGATED UNDER THIS ACT.
- 10 (F) A CIVIL FINE OF NOT MORE THAN \$25,000.00 FOR EACH DAY OF
- 11 VIOLATION OF AN ADMINISTRATIVE OR JUDICIAL ORDER ISSUED PURSUANT
- 12 TO SECTION 12F, INCLUDING EXEMPLARY DAMAGES PURSUANT TO
- 13 SECTION 12F.
- (G) ENFORCEMENT OF AN ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER ISSUED PURSUANT
- 15 TO SECTION 12F.

4 COSTS AND DAMAGES.

- 16 (H) ENFORCEMENT OF INFORMATION GATHERING AND ENTRY AUTHORITY
- 17 PURSUANT TO SECTION 12D.
- 18 (I) ANY OTHER RELIEF NECESSARY FOR THE ENFORCEMENT OF THIS
- 19 ACT.
- 20 (2) IF AN ACTION IS BROUGHT UNDER THIS ACT BY A PLAINTIFF
- 21 OTHER THAN THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, THE PLAINTIFF SHALL, AT THE TIME
- 22 OF FILING, PROVIDE A COPY OF THE COMPLAINT TO THE ATTORNEY
- 23 GENERAL.
- 24 (3) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS ACT, AN ACTION
- 25 BROUGHT UNDER THIS ACT MAY BE BROUGHT IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR
- 26 THE COUNTY OF INGHAM, IN THE COUNTY IN WHICH THE DEFENDANT
- 27 RESIDES, HAS A PLACE OF BUSINESS, OR IN WHICH THE REGISTERED

- 1 OFFICE OF A DEFENDANT CORPORATION IS LOCATED, OR IN THE COUNTY
- 2 WHERE THE RELEASE OCCURRED.
- 3 (4) A STATE COURT SHALL NOT HAVE JURISDICTION TO REVIEW
- 4 CHALLENGES TO A RESPONSE ACTIVITY SELECTED OR APPROVED BY THE
- 5 DEPARTMENT UNDER THIS ACT, OR TO REVIEW AN ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
- 6 ISSUED UNDER THIS ACT IN ANY ACTION EXCEPT AN ACTION THAT IS 1 OF
- 7 THE FOLLOWING:
- 8 (A) AN ACTION TO RECOVER RESPONSE COSTS, DAMAGES, OR FOR
- 9 CONTRIBUTION.
- 10 (B) AN ACTION BY THE STATE TO ENFORCE AN ADMINISTRATIVE
- 11 ORDER UNDER THIS ACT OR BY ANY OTHER PERSON UNDER
- 12 SECTION 12J(1)(B) TO ENFORCE AN ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER OR TO
- 13 RECOVER A FINE FOR VIOLATION OF AN ORDER.
- 14 (C) AN ACTION PURSUANT TO SECTION 12F(5) FOR REVIEW OF A
- 15 DECISION BY THE DEPARTMENT DENYING OR LIMITING REIMBURSEMENT.
- 16 (D) AN ACTION PURSUANT TO SECTION 12J CHALLENGING A RESPONSE
- 17 ACTIVITY SELECTED OR APPROVED BY THE DEPARTMENT, IF SUCH ACTION
- 18 IS FILED AFTER THE COMPLETION OF THE RESPONSE ACTIVITY.
- 19 (E) AN ACTION BY THE STATE PURSUANT TO SECTION 12(5) TO
- 20 COMPEL RESPONSE ACTIVITY.
- 21 (5) IN ANY JUDICIAL ACTION UNDER THIS ACT, JUDICIAL REVIEW
- 22 OF ANY ISSUES CONCERNING THE SELECTION OR ADEQUACY OF A RESPONSE
- 23 ACTIVITY TAKEN, ORDERED, OR AGREED TO BY THE STATE SHALL BE
- 24 LIMITED TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE RECORD. IF THE COURT FINDS THAT
- 25 THE RECORD IS INCOMPLETE OR INADEQUATE, THE COURT MAY CONSIDER
- 26 SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIAL IN THE ACTION. IN CONSIDERING OBJECTIONS
- 27 RAISED IN A JUDICIAL ACTION UNDER THIS ACT, THE COURT SHALL

- I UPHOLD THE STATE'S DECISION IN SELECTING A RESPONSE ACTIVITY
- 2 UNLESS THE OBJECTING PARTY CAN DEMONSTRATE BASED ON THE ADMINIS-
- 3 TRATIVE RECORD THAT THE DECISION WAS ARBITRARY AND CAPRICIOUS OR
- 4 OTHERWISE NOT IN ACCORDANCE WITH LAW. IN REVIEWING ALLEGED PRO-
- 5 CEDURAL ERRORS, THE COURT MAY DISALLOW COSTS OR DAMAGES ONLY TO
- 6 THE EXTENT THE ERRORS WERE SO SERIOUS AND RELATED TO MATTERS OF
- 7 SUCH CENTRAL IMPORTANCE THAT THE ACTIVITY WOULD HAVE BEEN SIGNIF-
- 8 ICANTLY CHANGED HAD THE ERRORS NOT BEEN MADE.
- 9 (6) IN AN ACTION COMMENCED UNDER THIS ACT, ANY PERSON MAY
- 10 INTERVENE AS A MATTER OF RIGHT IF THAT PERSON CLAIMS AN INTEREST
- 11 RELATING TO THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THE ACTION AND IS SO SITUATED
- 12 THAT THE DISPOSITION OF THE ACTION MAY, AS A PRACTICAL MATTER,
- 13 IMPAIR OR IMPEDE THE PERSON'S ABILITY TO PROTECT THAT INTEREST,
- 14 UNLESS THE COURT FINDS THE PERSON'S INTEREST IS ADEQUATELY REPRE-
- 15 SENTED BY AN EXISTING PARTY.
- 16 SEC. 12I. (1) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (2), THE
- 17 LIABILITY UNDER THIS ACT FOR EACH RELEASE OR THREAT OF RELEASE
- 18 SHALL NOT EXCEED THE TOTAL OF ALL THE COSTS OF RESPONSE ACTIVI-
- 19 TIES, FINES, AND EXEMPLARY DAMAGES, PLUS \$50,000,000.00 DAMAGES
- 20 FOR INJURY TO, DESTRUCTION OF, OR LOSS OF NATURAL RESOURCES
- 21 RESULTING FROM THE RELEASE OR THREAT OF RELEASE, INCLUDING THE
- 22 REASONABLE COSTS OF ASSESSING THE INJURY, DESTRUCTION, OR LOSS
- 23 RESULTING FROM THE RELEASE OR THREAT OF RELEASE.
- 24 (2) NOTWITHSTANDING THE LIMITATIONS IN SUBSECTION (1), THE
- 25 LIABILITY OF A PERSON UNDER THIS ACT SHALL BE THE FULL AND TOTAL
- 26 COSTS AND DAMAGES LISTED IN SUBSECTION (1), IN EITHER OF THE
- 27 FOLLOWING CIRCUMSTANCES:

- 1 (A) THE RELEASE OR THREATENED RELEASE OF A HAZARDOUS
- 2 SUBSTANCE WAS THE RESULT OF WILLFUL MISCONDUCT OR GROSS NEGLI-
- 3 GENCE OF THE PARTY.
- 4 (B) THE PRIMARY CAUSE OF THE RELEASE OR THREAT OF RELEASE
- 5 WAS A KNOWING VIOLATION OF APPLICABLE SAFETY, CONSTRUCTION, OR
- 6 OPERATING STANDARDS OR REGULATIONS.
- 7 SEC. 12J. (1) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS ACT, A
- 8 PERSON WHOSE HEALTH OR ENJOYMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT IS OR MAY BE
- 9 ADVERSELY AFFECTED BY A RELEASE OR THREAT OF RELEASE, BY A VIOLA-
- 10 TION OF THIS ACT, A RULE PROMULGATED OR ORDER ISSUED UNDER THIS
- 11 ACT, OR BY THE FAILURE OF THE DIRECTORS TO PERFORM A NONDISCRE-
- 12 TIONARY ACT OR DUTY UNDER THIS ACT, MAY COMMENCE A CIVIL ACTION
- 13 AGAINST ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:
- (A) A PERSON WHO MAY BE LIABLE UNDER SECTION 12 FOR INJUNC-
- 15 TIVE RELIEF NECESSARY TO PROTECT THE PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY, OR
- 16 WELFARE, OR THE ENVIRONMENT FROM A RELEASE OR THREATENED
- 17 RELEASE.
- 18 (B) A PERSON WHO IS ALLEGED TO BE IN VIOLATION OF THIS ACT
- 19 OR A RULE PROMULGATED OR ORDER ISSUED UNDER THIS ACT.
- 20 (C) ONE OR MORE OF THE DIRECTORS IF IT IS ALLEGED THAT 1 OR
- 21 MORE OF THE DIRECTORS FAILED TO PERFORM A NONDISCRETIONARY ACT OR
- 22 DUTY UNDER THIS ACT.
- 23 (2) THE CIRCUIT COURT SHALL HAVE JURISDICTION IN ACTIONS
- 24 BROUGHT UNDER SUBSECTION (1)(A) TO GRANT INJUNCTIVE RELIEF NECES-
- 25 SARY TO PROTECT THE PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY, OR WELFARE, OR THE
- 26 ENVIRONMENT FROM A RELEASE OR THREATENED RELEASE. THE CIRCUIT
- 27 COURT SHALL HAVE JURISDICTION IN ACTIONS BROUGHT UNDER SUBSECTION

- 1 (1)(B) TO ENFORCE THIS ACT OR A RULE PROMULGATED OR ORDER ISSUED
- 2 UNDER THIS ACT BY ORDERING SUCH ACTION AS MAY BE NECESSARY TO
- 3 CORRECT THE VIOLATION, AND TO IMPOSE ANY CIVIL FINE PROVIDED FOR
- 4 IN THIS ACT FOR THE VIOLATION. A CIVIL FINE RECOVERED UNDER THIS
- 5 SECTION SHALL BE DEPOSITED IN THE FUND. THE CIRCUIT COURT SHALL
- 6 HAVE JURISDICTION IN ACTIONS BROUGHT UNDER SUBSECTION (1)(C) TO
- 7 ORDER 1 OR MORE OF THE DIRECTORS TO PERFORM THE NONDISCRETIONARY
- 8 ACT OR DUTY CONCERNED.
- 9 (3) AN ACTION SHALL NOT BE FILED UNDER SUBSECTION (1)(A) OR
- 10 (B) UNLESS ALL OF THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS EXIST:
- 11 (A) THE PLAINTIFF HAS GIVEN AT LEAST 60 DAYS' NOTICE IN
- 12 WRITING OF THE PLAINTIFF'S INTENT TO SUE, THE BASIS FOR THE SUIT,
- 13 AND THE RELIEF TO BE REQUESTED TO EACH OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 14 (i) THE DEPARTMENT.
- 15 (ii) THE ATTORNEY GENERAL.
- 16 (iii) THE PROPOSED DEFENDANTS.
- 17 (B) THE STATE HAS NOT COMMENCED AND IS NOT DILIGENTLY PROSE-
- 18 CUTING AN ACTION UNDER THIS ACT OR UNDER OTHER APPROPRIATE LEGAL
- 19 AUTHORITY TO OBTAIN INJUNCTIVE RELIEF CONCERNING THE FACILITY OR
- 20 TO REQUIRE COMPLIANCE WITH THIS ACT OR A RULE OR AN ORDER UNDER
- 21 THIS ACT.
- 22 (4) AN ACTION SHALL NOT BE FILED UNDER SUBSECTION (1)(C)
- 23 UNTIL THE PLAINTIFF HAS GIVEN IN WRITING AT LEAST 60 DAYS' NOTICE
- 24 TO THE DIRECTORS OR OTHER OFFICER OF THE STATE OF THE PLAINTIFF'S
- 25 INTENT TO SUE, THE BASIS FOR THE SUIT, AND THE RELIEF TO BE
- 26 REQUESTED.

- 1 (5) IN ISSUING A FINAL ORDER IN AN ACTION BROUGHT PURSUANT
- 2 TO THIS SECTION, THE COURT MAY AWARD COSTS OF LITIGATION,
- 3 INCLUDING REASONABLE ATTORNEY AND EXPERT WITNESS FEES TO THE PRE-
- 4 VAILING OR SUBSTANTIALLY PREVAILING PARTY IF THE COURT DETERMINES.
- 5 THAT AN AWARD IS APPROPRIATE.
- 6 (6) THIS SECTION SHALL NOT AFFECT OR OTHERWISE IMPAIR THE
- 7 RIGHTS OF ANY PERSON UNDER FEDERAL, STATE, OR COMMON LAW.
- 8 (7) AN ACTION UNDER SUBSECTION (1)(A) OR (B) SHALL BE
- 9 BROUGHT IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE CIRCUIT IN WHICH THE ALLEGED
- 10 RELEASE, THREATENED RELEASE, OR OTHER VIOLATION OCCURRED. AN
- 11 ACTION UNDER SUBSECTION (1)(C) SHALL BE BROUGHT IN THE CIRCUIT
- 12 COURT FOR INGHAM COUNTY.
- 13 (8) AN OWNER OF RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY, THE VALUE OF WHICH IS
- 14 DIMINISHED DUE TO ITS CLOSE PROXIMITY TO A SITE ON THE LIST
- 15 REQUIRED UNDER SECTION 6, WHO IS NOT LIABLE PURSUANT TO
- 16 SECTION 12 MAY COMMENCE A CIVIL ACTION AGAINST A PERSON THAT MAY
- 17 BE LIABLE UNDER SECTION 12 TO COLLECT THE FOLLOWING DAMAGES:
- 18 (A) AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO THE AMOUNT THAT THE VALUE OF THE
- 19 PROPERTY IS REDUCED DUE TO ITS PROXIMITY TO THE SITE.
- 20 (B) THE REASONABLE VALUE OF THE LOST USE AND ENJOYMENT OF
- 21 THE PROPERTY DUE TO ITS PROXIMITY TO THE SITE.
- 22 (C) REASONABLE COSTS, INCLUDING EXPERT WITNESS AND ATTORNEY
- 23 FEES.
- 24 (D) EXEMPLARY DAMAGES UP TO \$25,000.00.
- 25 (9) SUBSECTION (8) SHALL NOT BE CONSTRUED AS DIMINISHING ANY
- 26 OTHER CAUSE OF ACTION A PERSON MAY HAVE UNDER THE LAW.

- 1 SEC. 12K. (1) A PERSON WHO HAS KNOWLEDGE OR INFORMATION OR
- 2 IS ON NOTICE THROUGH A RECORDED INSTRUMENT THAT A PARCEL OF HIS
- 3 OR HER REAL PROPERTY IS A FACILITY AT WHICH THERE HAS BEEN A
- 4 RELEASE, IN A QUANTITY REQUIRED TO BE REPORTED PURSUANT TO
- 5 SECTION 12E(1)(C), SHALL NOT TRANSFER AN INTEREST IN THAT REAL
- 6 PROPERTY UNLESS HE OR SHE PROVIDES WRITTEN NOTICE TO THE PUR-
- 7 CHASER OR OTHER PERSON TO WHOM THE PROPERTY IS TRANSFERRED THAT
- 8 THE REAL PROPERTY IS SUCH A FACILITY AND DISCLOSES THE GENERAL
- 9 NATURE AND EXTENT OF THE RELEASE. THE WRITTEN NOTICE PROVIDED BY
- 10 THE TRANSFEROR SHALL BE A SEPARATE INSTRUMENT AND, IF THE INSTRU-
- 11 MENT CONVEYING THE INTEREST IN REAL PROPERTY IS RECORDED, THE
- 12 WRITTEN NOTICE SHALL BE RECORDED WITH THE REGISTER OF DEEDS IN
- 13 THE SAME COUNTY.
- 14 (2) A CONTRACT OR TRANSFER ENTERED INTO IN VIOLATION OF THIS
- 15 SECTION SHALL BE VOIDABLE AT THE OPTION OF THE PERSON TO WHOM THE
- 16 PROPERTY IS TRANSFERRED IF THE PERSON IS ABLE TO DEMONSTRATE THAT
- 17 IT IS NOT LIABLE UNDER SECTION 12A. IF A CONTRACT OR TRANSFER IS
- 18 VOID PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION, A PERSON THAT LOANS OR OTHERWISE
- 19 PROVIDES MONEY TO ENABLE THE PURCHASER OR OTHER PERSON TO WHOM
- 20 THAT PROPERTY IS TRANSFERRED TO OBTAIN THE PROPERTY SHALL HAVE A
- 21 CAUSE OF ACTION TO RESTORE IT TO THE CONDITION IT WOULD HAVE HELD
- 22 IF THE TRANSACTION WAS NOT VOID.
- 23 (3) THE OWNER OF REAL PROPERTY FOR WHICH A NOTICE REQUIRED
- 24 IN SUBSECTION (1) HAS BEEN RECORDED MAY, UPON COMPLETION OF ALL
- 25 RESPONSE ACTIVITIES FOR THE FACILITY AS APPROVED BY THE DEPART-
- 26 MENT, RECORD WITH THE REGISTER OF DEEDS FOR THE APPROPRIATE

- 1 COUNTY A CERTIFICATION THAT ALL RESPONSE ACTIVITY REQUIRED IN AN
- 2 APPROVED REMEDIAL ACTION PLAN HAS BEEN COMPLETED.
- 3 SEC. 121. (1) ALL UNPAID COSTS AND DAMAGES FOR WHICH A
- 4 PERSON IS LIABLE UNDER SECTION 12 SHALL CONSTITUTE A LIEN IN
- 5 FAVOR OF THE STATE UPON A FACILITY OWNED BY THAT PERSON. UPON
- 6 THE ORDER OF A COURT WITH JURISDICTION, ALL UNPAID COSTS AND DAM-
- 7 AGES FOR WHICH A PERSON IS LIABLE UNDER SECTION 12 MAY CONSTITUTE
- 8 A LIEN IN FAVOR OF THE STATE ON ANY OTHER REAL OR PERSONAL PROP-
- 9 ERTY OR RIGHTS IN REAL OR PERSONAL PROPERTY OWNED BY THAT
- 10 PERSON. A LIEN UNDER THIS SUBSECTION SHALL HAVE PRIORITY OVER
- 11 ALL OTHER LIENS AND ENCUMBRANCES EXCEPT LIENS AND ENCUMBRANCES
- 12 RECORDED BEFORE THE DATE THE LIEN UNDER THIS SUBSECTION IS
- 13 RECORDED. A LIEN UNDER THIS SUBSECTION ARISES WHEN THE STATE
- 14 FIRST INCURS COSTS FOR RESPONSE ACTIVITY AT THE FACILITY FOR
- 15 WHICH THE PERSON IS RESPONSIBLE.
- (2) IN ADDITION TO THE LIEN PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (1), IF
- 17 THE STATE INCURS COSTS FOR RESPONSE ACTIVITY THAT INCREASES THE
- 18 MARKET VALUE OF REAL PROPERTY THAT IS THE LOCATION OF A RELEASE
- 19 OR THREATENED RELEASE, THE INCREASE IN VALUE CAUSED BY THE STATE
- 20 FUNDED RESPONSE ACTIVITY SHALL CONSTITUTE A LIEN IN FAVOR OF THE
- 21 STATE UPON THE REAL PROPERTY. THIS LIEN SHALL HAVE PRIORITY OVER
- 22 ALL OTHER LIENS OR ENCUMBRANCES THAT ARE OR HAVE BEEN RECORDED
- 23 UPON THE PROPERTY.
- 24 (3) A LIEN PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (1) OR (2) IS PERFECTED
- 25 AGAINST REAL PROPERTY WHEN A NOTICE OF LIEN IS FILED BY THE
- 26 DEPARTMENT WITH THE REGISTER OF DEEDS IN THE COUNTY IN WHICH THE
- 27 REAL PROPERTY IS LOCATED. A LIEN UPON PERSONAL PROPERTY PROVIDED

- 1 IN SUBSECTION (1) IS PERFECTED WHEN A NOTICE OF LIEN IS FILED BY
- 2 THE DEPARTMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH APPLICABLE LAW AND REGULATION
- 3 FOR THE PERFECTION OF A LIEN ON THAT TYPE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY.
- 4 IN ADDITION, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL, AT THE TIME OF THE FILING OF
- 5 THE NOTICE OF LIEN, PROVIDE A COPY OF THE NOTICE OF LIEN TO THE
- 6 OWNER OF THAT PROPERTY BY CERTIFIED MAIL.
- 7 (4) A LIEN UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL CONTINUE UNTIL THE
- 8 LIABILITY FOR THE COSTS AND DAMAGES IS SATISFIED OR RESOLVED OR
- 9 BECOMES UNENFORCEABLE THROUGH THE OPERATION OF THE STATUTE OF
- 10 LIMITATIONS PROVIDED IN SECTION 12Q.
- 11 (5) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL FILE A NOTICE OF RELEASE OF LIEN
- 12 PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (3) UPON SATISFACTION OF THE LIABILITY
- 13 SECURED BY THE LIEN.
- 14 SEC. 12M. (1) THE DIRECTOR AND THE ATTORNEY GENERAL MAY
- 15 ENTER INTO A CONSENT AGREEMENT WITH A PERSON LIABLE UNDER SECTION
- 16 12 OR ANY GROUP OF PERSONS LIABLE UNDER SECTION 12 TO PERFORM A
- 17 RESPONSE ACTIVITY IF THE DIRECTOR AND THE ATTORNEY GENERAL DETER-
- 18 MINE THAT THE PERSONS LIABLE UNDER SECTION 12 WILL PROPERLY
- 19 IMPLEMENT THE RESPONSE ACTIVITY, AND THAT THE CONSENT AGREEMENT
- 20 IS IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST, WILL EXPEDITE EFFECTIVE RESPONSE
- 21 ACTIVITY, AND WILL MINIMIZE LITIGATION. SUCH A CONSENT AGREEMENT
- 22 MAY PROVIDE, AS DETERMINED APPROPRIATE BY THE DIRECTOR AND THE
- 23 ATTORNEY GENERAL, FOR IMPLEMENTATION BY A PERSON OR ANY GROUP OF
- 24 PERSONS LIABLE UNDER SECTION 12 OF ANY PORTION OF RESPONSE ACTIV-
- 25 ITY AT THE FACILITY. A DECISION OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL NOT TO
- 26 ENTER INTO A CONSENT AGREEMENT UNDER THIS ACT IS NOT SUBJECT TO
- 27 JUDICIAL REVIEW.

- 1 (2) WHENEVER PRACTICABLE AND IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST, AS
- 2 DETERMINED BY THE DIRECTOR, THE DIRECTOR AND THE ATTORNEY GENERAL
- 3 SHALL AS PROMPTLY AS POSSIBLE REACH A FINAL SETTLEMENT WITH A
- 4 PERSON IN AN ADMINISTRATIVE OR CIVIL ACTION UNDER THIS ACT IF
- 5 THIS SETTLEMENT INVOLVES ONLY A MINOR PORTION OF THE RESPONSE
- 6 COSTS AT THE FACILITY CONCERNED AND, IN THE JUDGMENT OF THE
- 7 DIRECTOR AND THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, THE CONDITIONS IN EITHER OF
- 8 THE FOLLOWING ARE MET:
- 9 (A) BOTH OF THE FOLLOWING ARE MINIMAL IN COMPARISON TO OTHER
- 10 HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES AT THE FACILITY:
- 11 (i) THE AMOUNT OF THE HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES CONTRIBUTED BY
- 12 THAT PERSON TO THE FACILITY.
- 13 (ii) THE TOXIC OR OTHER HAZARDOUS EFFECTS OF THE SUBSTANCES
- 14 CONTRIBUTED BY THAT PERSON TO THE FACILITY.
- (B) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (3), THE PERSON MEETS
- 16 ALL OF THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS:
- 17 (i) THE PERSON IS THE OWNER OF THE REAL PROPERTY ON OR IN
- 18 WHICH THE FACILITY IS LOCATED.
- 19 (ii) THE PERSON DID NOT CONDUCT OR PERMIT THE GENERATION,
- 20 TRANSPORTATION, STORAGE, TREATMENT, OR DISPOSAL OF ANY HAZARDOUS
- 21 SUBSTANCE AT THE FACILITY.
- 22 (iii) THE PERSON DID NOT CONTRIBUTE TO THE RELEASE OR THREAT
- 23 OF RELEASE OF A HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE AT THE FACILITY THROUGH ANY
- 24 ACTION OR OMISSION.
- 25 (3) A SETTLEMENT SHALL NOT BE MADE UNDER SUBSECTION (2)(B)
- 26 IF THE PERSON PURCHASED THE REAL PROPERTY WITH ACTUAL OR
- 27 CONSTRUCTIVE KNOWLEDGE THAT THE PROPERTY WAS USED FOR THE

- 1 GENERATION, TRANSPORTATION, STORAGE, TREATMENT, OR DISPOSAL OF
- 2 ANY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE.
- 3 (4) A SETTLEMENT UNDER SUBSECTION (2) MAY BE SET ASIDE IF
- 4 INFORMATION OBTAINED AFTER THE SETTLEMENT INDICATES THAT THE
- 5 PERSON SETTLING DOES NOT MEET THE CONDITIONS SET FORTH IN SUBSEC-
- 6 TION (2)(A) OR (B).
- 7 SEC. 12N. (1) THE PENALTIES PROVIDED IN THIS SECTION ONLY
- 8 APPLY TO A RELEASE THAT OCCURS AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS
- 9 SECTION.
- 10 (2) AN INDIVIDUAL WHO IN RECKLESS DISREGARD OF THE CONSE-
- 11 QUENCES RELEASES OR CAUSES THE RELEASE OF A HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE
- 12 IN AN UNLAWFUL LOCATION OR IN AN UNLAWFUL MANNER, OTHER THAN IN
- 13 COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE FEDERAL, STATE, AND LOCAL REQUIREMENTS
- 14 AND WITH ANY PERMIT OR LICENSE HELD BY THE INDIVIDUAL, WHEN THAT
- 15 INDIVIDUAL KNEW OR SHOULD HAVE KNOWN THAT THE RELEASE COULD CAUSE
- 16 PERSONAL INJURY OR PROPERTY DAMAGE, IS GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR,
- 17 PUNISHABLE BY IMPRISONMENT FOR NOT MORE THAN 1 YEAR, OR A FINE OF
- 18 NOT MORE THAN \$25,000.00 PER DAY OF VIOLATION, OR BOTH. IF A
- 19 CONVICTION OF AN INDIVIDUAL IS FOR A VIOLATION COMMITTED AFTER A
- 20 PREVIOUS CONVICTION OF THAT INDIVIDUAL UNDER THIS SUBSECTION.
- 21 THAT INDIVIDUAL SHALL BE GUILTY OF A FELONY, PUNISHABLE BY
- 22 IMPRISONMENT FOR NOT MORE THAN 2 YEARS, OR A FINE OF NOT MORE
- 23 THAN \$50,000.00 PER DAY OF VIOLATION, OR BOTH. AN ORGANIZATION
- 24 THAT NEGLIGENTLY RELEASES OR CAUSES THE RELEASE OF A HAZARDOUS
- 25 SUBSTANCE IN AN UNLAWFUL LOCATION OR IN AN UNLAWFUL MANNER, OTHER
- 26 THAN IN COMPLIANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE FEDERAL, STATE, AND LOCAL
- 27 REQUIREMENTS AND WITH ANY PERMIT OR LICENSE HELD BY THE

- 1 ORGANIZATION, WHEN THAT ORGANIZATION KNEW OR REASONABLY SHOULD
- 2 HAVE KNOWN THAT THE RELEASE COULD CAUSE PERSONAL INJURY OR PROP-
- 3 ERTY DAMAGE, IS GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR, PUNISHABLE BY A FINE OF
- 4 NOT MORE THAN \$25,000.00 PER DAY OF VIOLATION. IF A CONVICTION
- 5 OF AN ORGANIZATION IS FOR A VIOLATION COMMITTED AFTER A PREVIOUS
- 6 CONVICTION OF THAT ORGANIZATION UNDER THIS SUBSECTION, THAT ORGA-
- 7 NIZATION SHALL BE GUILTY OF A FELONY, PUNISHABLE BY A FINE OF NOT
- 8 MORE THAN \$50,000.00 PER DAY OF VIOLATION.
- 9 (3) A PERSON WHO KNOWINGLY RELEASES OR CAUSES THE RELEASE OF
- 10 A HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE IN AN UNLAWFUL LOCATION OR IN AN UNLAWFUL
- 11 MANNER, OTHER THAN IN COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE FEDERAL, STATE,
- 12 AND LOCAL REQUIREMENTS AND WITH ANY PERMIT OR LICENSE HELD BY
- 13 THAT PERSON, WHEN THAT PERSON KNEW OR REASONABLY SHOULD HAVE
- 14 KNOWN THE RELEASE COULD CAUSE PERSONAL INJURY OR PROPERTY DAMAGE,
- 15 IS GUILTY OF A FELONY PUNISHABLE BY IMPRISONMENT FOR NOT MORE
- 16 THAN 3 YEARS, OR A FINE OF NOT LESS THAN \$5,000.00 AND NOT MORE
- 17 THAN \$50,000.00 PER DAY OF VIOLATION, OR BOTH. IF A CONVICTION
- 18 OF A PERSON IS FOR A VIOLATION COMMITTED AFTER A PREVIOUS CONVIC-
- 19 TION OF THAT PERSON UNDER THIS SUBSECTION, THAT PERSON SHALL BE
- 20 GUILTY OF A FELONY, PUNISHABLE BY IMPRISONMENT FOR NOT MORE THAN
- 21 6 YEARS, OR A FINE OF NOT LESS THAN \$10,000.00 AND NOT MORE THAN
- 22 \$100,000.00 PER DAY OF VIOLATION, OR BOTH.
- 23 (4) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS SUBSECTION, AN
- 24 INDIVIDUAL WHO RELEASES OR CAUSES THE RELEASE OF A HAZARDOUS SUB-
- 25 STANCE IN A LOCATION OR MANNER THAT HE OR SHE KNOWS IS UNLAWFUL,
- 26 OTHER THAN IN COMPLIANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE FEDERAL, STATE, AND
- 27 LOCAL REQUIREMENTS AND WITH ANY PERMIT OR LICENSE HELD BY THAT

- 1 INDIVIDUAL, AND WHO KNOWS AT THAT TIME THAT HE OR SHE THEREBY
- 2 PLACES ANOTHER PERSON IN IMMINENT DANGER OF DEATH OR SERIOUS
- 3 BODILY INJURY, IS GUILTY OF A FELONY, PUNISHABLE BY IMPRISONMENT
- 4 FOR NOT MORE THAN 15 YEARS, OR A FINE OF NOT LESS THAN \$25,000.00
- 5 AND NOT MORE THAN \$250,000.00, OR BOTH. AN ORGANIZATION THAT
- 6 RELEASES OR CAUSES THE RELEASE OF A HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE IN A
- 7 LOCATION OR MANNER THE ORGANIZATION KNEW WAS UNLAWFUL, OTHER THAN
- 8 IN COMPLIANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE FEDERAL, STATE, AND LOCAL
- 9 REQUIREMENTS AND WITH ANY PERMIT OR LICENSE HELD BY THAT ORGANI-
- 10 ZATION, AND THAT KNEW AT THAT TIME THAT THE ORGANIZATION THEREBY
- 11 PLACED ANOTHER PERSON IN IMMINENT DANGER OF DEATH OR SERIOUS
- 12 BODILY INJURY, IS GUILTY OF A FELONY AND SHALL BE PUNISHED BY THE
- 13 IMPOSITION OF A FINE OF NOT LESS THAN \$100,000.00 AND NOT MORE
- 14 THAN \$1,000,000.00. IF A CONVICTION OF THE ORGANIZATION IS FOR A
- 15 VIOLATION COMMITTED AFTER A PREVIOUS CONVICTION OF THAT ORGANI-
- 16 ZATION UNDER THIS SUBSECTION, THE ORGANIZATION IS GUILTY OF A
- 17 FELONY AND SHALL BE PUNISHED BY THE IMPOSITION OF A FINE OF NOT
- 18 LESS THAN \$200,000.00 OR MORE THAN \$2,000,000.00.
- 19 (5) FOR PURPOSES OF SUBSECTION (4) IN DETERMINING WHETHER A
- 20 DEFENDANT WHO IS AN INDIVIDUAL KNEW THAT HIS OR HER CONDUCT
- 21 PLACED ANOTHER PERSON IN IMMINENT DANGER OF DEATH OR SERIOUS
- 22 BODILY INJURY, BOTH OF THE FOLLOWING APPLY:
- 23 (A) THE PERSON IS RESPONSIBLE ONLY FOR THE ACTUAL AWARENESS
- 24 OR ACTUAL BELIEF THAT HE OR SHE POSSESSED.
- 25 (B) KNOWLEDGE POSSESSED BY A PERSON OTHER THAN THE DEFENDANT
- 26 BUT NOT BY THE DEFENDANT HIMSELF OR HERSELF MAY NOT BE ATTRIBUTED
- 27 TO THE DEFENDANT; EXCEPT THAT IN PROVING THE POSSESSION OF ACTUAL

- 1 KNOWLEDGE BY THE DEFENDANT, CIRCUMSTANTIAL EVIDENCE MAY BE USED,
- 2 INCLUDING EVIDENCE THAT THE DEFENDANT TOOK AFFIRMATIVE STEPS TO
- 3 SHIELD HIMSELF OR HERSELF FROM RELEVANT INFORMATION.
- 4 (6) IT IS AN AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE TO PROSECUTION UNDER SUB-
- 5 SECTION (4) THAT THE CONDUCT CHARGED WAS CONSENTED TO BY THE
- 6 PERSON ENDANGERED AND THAT THE DANGER AND CONDUCT CHARGED WERE
- 7 REASONABLY FORESEEABLE HAZARDS OF ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 8 (A) AN OCCUPATION, A BUSINESS, OR A PROFESSION.
- 9 (B) MEDICAL TREATMENT OR MEDICAL OR SCIENTIFIC EXPERIMENTA-
- 10 TION CONDUCTED BY PROFESSIONALLY APPROVED METHODS IF THE PERSON
- 11 ENDANGERED HAD BEEN MADE AWARE OF THE RISKS INVOLVED PRIOR TO
- 12 GIVING CONSENT.
- 13 (7) THE DEFENDANT MAY ESTABLISH AN AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE UNDER
- 14 SUBSECTION (6) BY A PREPONDERANCE OF THE EVIDENCE.
- 15 (8) A PERSON WHO KNOWINGLY MAKES A FALSE MATERIAL STATEMENT,
- 16 REPRESENTATION, OR CERTIFICATION IN ANY APPLICATION, RECORD,
- 17 REPORT, PLAN, OR OTHER DOCUMENT FILED OR REQUIRED TO BE MAIN-
- 18 TAINED UNDER THIS ACT AND RULES PROMULGATED UNDER THIS ACT IS
- 19 GUILTY OF A FELONY, PUNISHABLE BY IMPRISONMENT FOR NOT MORE THAN
- 20 2 YEARS, OR A FINE OF NOT MORE THAN \$10,000.00, OR BOTH. IF A
- 21 CONVICTION OF A PERSON IS FOR A VIOLATION COMMITTED AFTER A PRE-
- 22 VIOUS VIOLATION UNDER THIS SUBSECTION, THAT PERSON IS GUILTY OF A
- 23 FELONY, PUNISHABLE BY IMPRISONMENT FOR NOT MORE THAN 4 YEARS, OR
- 24 A FINE OF NOT LESS THAN \$10,000.00 AND NOT MORE THAN \$20,000.00,
- 25 OR BOTH.
- 26 (9) A PERSON WHO KNOWINGLY FALSIFIES, TAMPERS WITH, OR
- 27 RENDERS INACCURATE ANY MONITORING DEVICE OR METHOD REQUIRED TO BE

- 1 MAINTAINED UNDER THIS ACT OR A RULE PROMULGATED UNDER THIS ACT IS
- 2 GUILTY OF A FELONY, PUNISHABLE BY IMPRISONMENT FOR NOT MORE THAN
- 3 2 YEARS, OR A FINE OF NOT LESS THAN \$5,000.00 AND NOT MORE THAN
- 4 \$10,000.00, OR BOTH. IF A CONVICTION OF A PERSON IS FOR A VIOLA-
- 5 TION COMMITTED AFTER A PREVIOUS VIOLATION UNDER THIS SUBSECTION,
- 6 THAT PERSON IS GUILTY OF A FELONY, PUNISHABLE BY IMPRISONMENT FOR
- 7 NOT MORE THAN 4 YEARS, OR A FINE OF NOT LESS THAN \$10,000.00 AND
- 8 NOT MORE THAN \$20,000.00, OR BOTH.
- 9 (10) A SINGLE OPERATIONAL OCCURRENCE THAT LEADS TO SIMULTA-
- 10 NEOUS VIOLATIONS OF MORE THAN 1 PROVISION OF ANY OF THE ACTS
- 11 LISTED IN SUBSECTION (8) OR ANY RULE PROMULGATED UNDER THOSE ACTS
- 12 SHALL BE TREATED AS A SINGLE VIOLATION.
- 13 (11) AS USED IN THIS SECTION:
- 14 (A) "ORGANIZATION" MEANS A LEGAL ENTITY ESTABLISHED OR ORGA-
- 15 NIZED FOR ANY PURPOSE, AND INCLUDES A CORPORATION, COMPANY, ASSO-
- 16 CIATION, FIRM, PARTNERSHIP, JOINT STOCK COMPANY, FOUNDATION,
- 17 INSTITUTION, TRUST, SOCIETY, UNION, OR ANY OTHER ASSOCIATION.
- 18 (B) "SERIOUS BODILY INJURY" MEANS BODILY INJURY THAT
- 19 INVOLVES A SUBSTANTIAL RISK OF DEATH, UNCONSCIOUSNESS, EXTREME
- 20 PHYSICAL PAIN, PROTRACTED AND OBVIOUS DISFIGUREMENT, OR PRO-
- 21 TRACTED LOSS OR IMPAIRMENT OF THE FUNCTION OF A BODILY MEMBER,
- 22 ORGAN, OR MENTAL FACULTY.
- 23 SEC. 120. (1) THE DEPARTMENT MAY PROMULGATE RULES TO ESTAB-
- 24 LISH A GRANT PROGRAM TO PROVIDE GRANTS TO INDIVIDUALS WHO MAY BE
- 25 ADVERSELY AFFECTED BY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES FROM A SITE THAT IS
- 26 LISTED UNDER SECTION 6, AND WHO LIVE WITHIN 2 MILES OF THE LISTED
- 27 SITE. THE GRANTS SHALL BE PROVIDED ONLY TO ENABLE INDIVIDUALS TO

- 1 OBTAIN EXPERT ADVICE AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE REGARDING THE
- 2 RESPONSE ACTIVITIES AT SITES THAT AFFECT THEM. IN DETERMINING
- 3 WHICH APPLICANTS RECEIVE GRANTS, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL CONSIDER
- 4 THE POTENTIAL HEALTH IMPACTS OF THE SITE ON THE APPLICANT, THE
- 5 COMPLEXITY AND SCOPE OF THE NECESSARY REMEDIAL ACTION AT THE
- 6 SITE, AND THE ABILITY OF THE APPLICANT TO OBTAIN EXPERT ADVICE
- 7 AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE IN THE ABSENCE OF THE GRANT.
- 8 (2) PERSONS THAT MAY BE LIABLE UNDER SECTION 12 SHALL NOT BE
- 9 ELIGIBLE FOR GRANTS UNDER THIS SECTION.
- 10 (3) GRANTS SHALL BE PROVIDED UNDER THIS SECTION SUBJECT TO
- 11 THE AVAILABILITY OF APPROPRIATIONS FROM THE GENERAL FUND.
- 12 SEC. 12P. THE GOVERNING BODY OF A LOCAL UNIT OF GOVERNMENT
- 13 IN WHICH A FACILITY IS LOCATED MAY APPOINT 1 OR MORE INDIVIDUALS
- 14 TO INSPECT A FACILITY ON BEHALF OF THE LOCAL UNIT OF GOVERNMENT.
- 15 HOWEVER, INDIVIDUALS AUTHORIZED TO INSPECT A FACILITY SHALL BE
- 16 GIVEN REASONABLE OPPORTUNITIES BY THE DEPARTMENT AND THE FACILITY
- 17 OWNER OR OPERATOR TO INSPECT THE FACILITY BEFORE, DURING, AND
- 18 AFTER MAJOR RESPONSE ACTIVITY. HOWEVER, INDIVIDUALS AUTHORIZED
- 19 TO INSPECT A FACILITY SHALL AT ALL TIMES WHEN PRESENT AT THE
- 20 FACILITY BE IN COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE STATE AND FEDERAL
- 21 SAFETY REGULATIONS, INCLUDING THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE SITE SPE-
- 22 CIFIC HEALTH AND SAFETY PLAN.
- 23 SEC. 120. (1) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (2), THE
- 24 LIMITATION PERIOD FOR FILING ACTIONS UNDER THIS ACT SHALL BE AS
- 25 FOLLOWS:
- 26 (A) FOR THE RECOVERY OF RESPONSE ACTIVITY COSTS AND NATURAL
- 27 RESOURCES DAMAGES PURSUANT TO SECTION 12(2)(A), (B), OR (C),

- 1 WITHIN 6 YEARS OF INITIATION OF PHYSICAL ON-SITE CONSTRUCTION
- 2 ACTIVITIES FOR THE REMEDIAL ACTION SELECTED OR APPROVED BY THE
- 3 DEPARTMENT AT A FACILITY, EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBDIVISION (B).
- 4 (B) FOR 1 OR MORE SUBSEQUENT ACTIONS FOR RECOVERY OF
- 5 RESPONSE ACTIVITY COSTS PURSUANT TO SECTION 12, AT ANY TIME
- 6 DURING THE RESPONSE ACTIVITY, IF COMMENCED NOT LATER THAN 3 YEARS
- 7 AFTER THE DATE OF COMPLETION OF ALL RESPONSE ACTIVITY AT THE
- 8 FACILITY.
- 9 (C) FOR CIVIL FINES UNDER THIS ACT, WITHIN 3 YEARS AFTER
- 10 DISCOVERY OF THE VIOLATION FOR WHICH THE CIVIL FINES ARE
- 11 ASSESSED.
- 12 (2) FOR RECOVERY OF RESPONSE ACTIVITY COSTS AND NATURAL
- 13 RESOURCES DAMAGES THAT ACCRUED PRIOR TO THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF
- 14 THIS SECTION, THE LIMITATION PERIOD FOR FILING ACTIONS UNDER THIS
- 15 ACT SHALL BE 3 YEARS FROM THAT EFFECTIVE DATE.
- 16 SEC. 12R. (1) A PERSON WHO IS A RESPONSE ACTIVITY CONTRAC-
- 17 TOR FOR ANY RELEASE OR THREATENED RELEASE IS NOT LIABLE TO ANY
- 18 PERSON FOR INJURIES, COSTS, DAMAGES, EXPENSES, OR OTHER LIABILI-
- 19 TY, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, CLAIMS FOR INDEMNIFICATION OR
- 20 CONTRIBUTION AND CLAIMS BY THIRD PARTIES FOR DEATH, PERSONAL
- 21 INJURIES, ILLNESS, OR LOSS OF OR DAMAGES TO PROPERTY OR ECONOMIC
- 22 LOSS THAT RESULT FROM THE RELEASE OF THREATENED RELEASE. THIS
- 23 SUBSECTION SHALL NOT APPLY IF A RELEASE OR THREATENED RELEASE IS
- 24 CAUSED BY CONDUCT OF THE RESPONSE ACTIVITY CONTRACTOR THAT IS
- 25 NEGLIGENT, GROSSLY NEGLIGENT, OR THAT CONSTITUTES INTENTIONAL
- 26 MISCONDUCT.

- 1 (2) THIS SECTION SHALL NOT AFFECT THE LIABILITY OF A PERSON
- 2 UNDER ANY WARRANTY UNDER FEDERAL, STATE, OR COMMON LAW. THIS
- 3 SUBSECTION SHALL NOT AFFECT THE LIABILITY OF AN EMPLOYER WHO IS A
- 4 RESPONSE ACTIVITY CONTRACTOR TO ANY EMPLOYEE OF THE EMPLOYER
- 5 UNDER LAW, INCLUDING ANY PROVISION OF ANY LAW RELATING TO
- 6 WORKER'S COMPENSATION.
- 7 (3) AN EMPLOYEE OF THIS STATE OR A LOCAL UNIT OF GOVERNMENT
- 8 WHO PROVIDES SERVICES RELATING TO A RESPONSE ACTIVITY WHILE
- 9 ACTING WITHIN THE SCOPE OF HIS OR HER AUTHORITY AS A GOVERNMENTAL
- 10 EMPLOYEE SHALL HAVE THE SAME EXEMPTION FROM LIABILITY AS IS PRO-
- 11 VIDED TO THE RESPONSE ACTIVITY CONTRACTOR UNDER THIS SECTION.
- 12 (4) THE DEFENSE PROVIDED BY SECTION 12A(1)(C) IS NOT AVAIL-
- 13 ABLE TO ANY PERSON THAT MAY BE LIABLE UNDER SECTION 12 WITH
- 14 RESPECT TO ANY COSTS OR DAMAGES CAUSED BY ANY ACT OR OMISSION OF
- 15 A RESPONSE ACTIVITY CONTRACTOR. EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN THIS SEC-
- 16 TION, NOTHING IN THIS SECTION SHALL AFFECT THE LIABILITY UNDER
- 17 THIS ACT OR UNDER ANY OTHER FEDERAL OR STATE LAW OF ANY PERSON.
- 18 (5) THIS SECTION SHALL NOT AFFECT THE PLAINTIFF'S BURDEN OF
- 19 ESTABLISHING LIABILITY UNDER THIS ACT.
- 20 (6) AS USED IN THIS SECTION:
- 21 (A) "RESPONSE ACTIVITY CONTRACT" MEANS A WRITTEN CONTRACT OR
- 22 AGREEMENT ENTERED INTO BY A RESPONSE ACTIVITY CONTRACTOR WITH 1
- 23 OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 24 (i) THE DEPARTMENT.
- 25 (ii) THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH.
- 26 (iii) A PERSON THAT MAY BE LIABLE UNDER SECTION 12 THAT IS
- 27 CARRYING OUT AN AGREEMENT UNDER THIS ACT.

- 1 (B) "RESPONSE ACTIVITY CONTRACTOR" MEANS 1 OR BOTH OF THE 2 FOLLOWING:
- 3 (i) A PERSON WHO ENTERS INTO A RESPONSE ACTIVITY CONTRACT
- 4 WITH RESPECT TO A RELEASE OR THREATENED RELEASE AND IS CARRYING
- 5 OUT THE TERMS OF A CONTRACT.
- 6 (ii) A PERSON WHO IS RETAINED OR HIRED BY A PERSON DESCRIBED
- 7 IN SUBPARAGRAPH (i) TO PROVIDE ANY SERVICE RELATING TO A RESPONSE
- 8 ACTIVITY.
- 9 SEC. 12S. BY JULY 1, 1993 THE LEGISLATURE SHALL COMPLETE AN
- 10 EVALUATION OF THE OPERATION AND EFFECTIVENESS OF THE AMENDATORY
- 11 ACT THAT ADDED THIS SECTION TO RECOMMEND WHAT, IF ANY, FURTHER
- 12 LEGISLATIVE ACTION IS APPROPRIATE. THE MAJORITY LEADER OF THE
- 13 SENATE AND THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES SHALL DES-
- 14 IGNATE THE MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATURE WHO SHALL PREPARE OR PRO-
- 15 VIDE FOR THE PREPARATION OF THE EVALUATION REQUIRED BY THIS
- 16 SECTION.
- 17 Section 2. Sections 8 and 11 of Act No. 307 of the Public
- 18 Acts of 1982, being sections 299.608 and 299.611 of the Michigan
- 19 Compiled Laws, are repealed.
- 20 Section 3. Section 11a of Act No. 307 of the Public Acts of
- 21 1982, as added by this amendatory act, shall take effect when the
- 22 Michigan environmental assurance corporation act, Senate Bill
- 23 No. 981, and its funding mechanism, House Bill No. 5808, are
- 24 enacted into law and the Michigan environmental assurance corpo-
- 25 ration files with the secretary of state a certification that the
- 26 Michigan environmental assurance corporation is funded and
- 27 prepared to undertake its responsibilities under section 11a.