

## ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS

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### SECRETARY OF THE STATE

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#### Notice Regarding Regulation-Making Changes

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In accordance with the provisions of Public Acts 13-247 and 13-274, notice is hereby given that effective July 1, 2013, and applicable to regulations first noticed on and after July 1, 2013, state agency notices of intent to adopt regulations, submitted pursuant subsections (a) and (b) of section 4-168 of the *Connecticut General Statutes* (CGS), are no longer published in the *Connecticut Law Journal* (CLJ). Such notices are now posted at [www.ct.gov/eregulations](http://www.ct.gov/eregulations).

Notices of intent required to be published in the CLJ by an agency-specific statute will continue to be published in the CLJ.

Supplemental notices for regulations first noticed in the CLJ before July 1, 2013 will also continue to be published in the CLJ.

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Persons interested in receiving automatic notice of regulation-making proceedings for a particular agency should contact that agency and request to be placed on an agency-specific notification list pursuant to CGS section 4-168(a)(3), as amended. A list of agency contact persons is available on the General Information / Disclaimer page at [www.ct.gov/eregulations](http://www.ct.gov/eregulations).

### DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER PROTECTION

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#### Notice of Intent to Amend Regulations

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The Department of Consumer Protection is providing an additional comment period in order to accept written testimony in relation to the Department's proposed Regulations Concerning Well Drilling and Geoeexchange Systems. All previous testimony submitted to the Department in relation to the initial public hearing on December 14, 2010, the subsequent comment period, and the recent comment period

as posted in the Connecticut Law Journal remains part of the administrative record for consideration. There is no need to re-submit any materials that were previously provided to the Department, but supplementary information or additional comments are welcome at this time.

The comment period will close thirty (30) days from the date this notice is published in the Connecticut Law Journal. An original and ten (10) copies of any such written materials should be directed to William M. Rubenstein, Commissioner, Department of Consumer Protection, Room 103, State Office Building, 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut 06106.

These proposed regulations were the subject of a public hearing on December 14, 2010, and an additional week was provided to allow for additional written testimony. The previous Notice of Intent to Amend Regulations was published in the November 9, 2010 edition of the Connecticut Law Journal. The text of the proposed regulation, together with the Fiscal Note and the Small Business Impact Statement, are available for inspection at the address cited above, by requesting a copy of the same by telephoning the Department at 860-713-6086, or by viewing the same by opening the "Proposed Regulations" link on the "Laws and Regulations" page of the Department's Internet homepage: [www.CT.gov/DCP](http://www.CT.gov/DCP).

In accordance with the authority granted in Sections 4-168, 25-128(b) and 25-129 of the Connecticut General Statutes, it is the intention of the State of Connecticut, Department of Consumer Protection to amend the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies by **amending** Sections 25-128-33 through to 25-128-39, 25-128-40 through to 25-128-42, 25-128-48a, 25-128-49, 25-128-51 through to 25-128-55, the appendix following 25-128-64, 25-129-1, and 25-129-2; by **adding** Sections 25-128-39a through 25-128-39c, 25-128-41a, 25-128-49a, 25-128-57a, 25-128-62a, 25-128-62b, 25-129-3 through to 25-129-11, and 25-130-1; and by **repealing** Sections 25-128-58a and 25-128-64, concerning well drilling and geotexchange systems.

The proposed changes are summarized as follows:

The purpose of this regulation is to update the Connecticut Well Drilling Code to conform with current industry practices, to incorporate standards related to geothermal bore hole drilling and system installation, including four new geothermal-specific limited license categories, to make technical changes to existing language for clarity, to re-number existing sections to more properly track the applicable underlying statutes, and to provide gender neutrality in the language employed.

These regulations provide for updated definitions which conform to current industry practice, and also to incorporate specific definitions for geothermal bore hole drilling. Additional provisions are added to regulate geothermal systems to help assure that the water supply is not contaminated due to substandard drilling practices or component installation. The Department believes these regulation changes will protect the public health and safety, and in particular, help to protect the water supply from contamination.

The regulation implements changes to the Well Drilling Code, which is part of the regulatory structure of the Department of Consumer Protection.

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