

ENTRY FOR INSPECTIONS

Regulation of air pollution is mandated under state law. Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) officials are required to inspect businesses or sites where pollution may occur. Whereas DEQ staff have a legal right of access to businesses for necessary inspections, such activities are governed by state and federal laws and regulations.

Inspectors must present DEQ identification to facility staff to establish authority for access for the inspection. They may review or copy records which are required by state law or rules, federal regulations, or as a condition of the permit. State law requires such inspections to be at reasonable times.

Fulfilling the legal requirements of monitoring air pollution is accomplished best by mutual cooperation between the DEQ and the businesses which have received permits. Such cooperation has been present in the vast majority of cases.

Because of the importance of compliance with this state policy, Section 324.5526 of the Michigan Compiled Laws allows state officials special measures to ensure the statute and conditions of the permit are enforced. This Section reads in part:

“(2) If the department, or an authorized representative of the department, is refused entry or access to records and samples...for the purposes of utilizing this section, the attorney general, on behalf of the state may do either of the following:

- a) *Petition the court of appropriate jurisdiction for a warrant authorizing entry or access to records and samples pursuant to this section.*
- b) *Commence a civil action to compel compliance with a request for entry and access to records and samples pursuant to this section, to authorize entry and access to records and samples provided for in this section, and to enjoin interference with the utilization of this section.”*

If you have questions regarding Right of Entry, please contact your DEQ Air Quality Division District Office. A listing of Air Quality Division District Offices appears on this insert.

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