

NOTICE

TO: Officials and/or Certified Waterworks Operators
FROM: Mississippi State Department of Health (Department)
RE: Mississippi Individual On-site Wastewater Disposal System Law
Source: Title 41, Chapter 67 of Mississippi Code of 1972

Please be aware that changes were made to the Mississippi Individual On-site Wastewater Disposal System Law regarding **new** water service connections on April 26, 2011. The basic requirements are as follows:

“No public utility supplying water shall make connection to any dwelling house, mobile home or residence without the prior written approval of the Department certifying that the plan (*Form 335 E, Permit/Recommendation*) for the sewage treatment and disposal system at the location of the property complies with Chapter 67. Temporary connections of water utilities may be made during construction if the Department has approved a plan for a sewage treatment and disposal system and the owner of the property has agreed to have the system inspected and approved by the Department before the use or occupancy of the property.”

In order to obtain a plan (*Form 335 E, Permit/Recommendation*), property owners must first file a *Form 908 E, Notice of Intent* with the Department, which allows for an evaluation of the property. Before a water service connection (water meter) is made, the Property Owner must present to the Water Association, the *Form 335 E, Permit/Recommendation*.

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- ▶ *Form 335 E, Permit/Recommendation* is valid for 1 year
 - ▶ Approval of the design, construction or installation of an Individual On-site Wastewater Disposal System (IOWDS) **is required**
 - ▶ Department **may “order”** the water supplier to terminate water services if property owner is found to not have a continuous maintenance agreement on any Advanced Treatment System that needs reapproval or was used in the replacement of a failing system