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ATTENTION!

HAZARDOUS MATERIALS BUSINESS & HAZARDOUS WASTE OPERATORS

Effective January 1, 2013, facilities will be required to submit their new Hazardous Materials Business Plans or update their existing plan and other CUPA information to our Department electronically, using a dedicated website operated by the California Environmental Reporting System (CERS). The website can be accessed at <http://cers.calepa.ca.gov/>.

As a result of this new law, your facility will need to register with CERS to obtain a secure, password-protected login under the "Business Portal".

To do that, please go to the link above and click on "Business Portal Sign In", then click on the "Create New Account" button under the "New to CERS?" heading. Then, fill out the online application form and click on the "Create My Account" at the bottom. Once you submit an application, the system will automatically send you an email prompting you to review and approve your application for access. Once you have created an account, you will be able to input all your facility information and our Department will be notified that you have completed the required forms online. The information in the CERS database is obviously sensitive and confidential, and it will be accessed and/or viewed only by authorized staff.

In order to streamline the password activation process we recommend that you apply for only one access account per facility. You can then provide the User ID and Password information for that account to those employees of your facility that may need access.

As new information is uploaded into CERS over the next several years, you will continue to access your existing facility files to update the information on CERS. It is important for you to retain your User ID and Password information secure and accessible.

Please contact us or the California Environmental Reporting System (CERS) website at <http://cers.calepa.ca.gov/> if you have any further questions.