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To: **Illinois Auto Body Shop Owner/Operator**  
From: Illinois Small Business Environmental Assistance Program  
Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity

Subject: **New Federal Regulations: Initial Notification Forms Due Jan 11, 2010**

The United States Environmental Protection Agency finalized rules for existing and new auto body repair facilities: **40 CFR Part 63 National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants: Paint Stripping and Miscellaneous Surface Coating Operations.**

**YOU ARE RECEIVING THIS MAILING BECAUSE YOU ARE IMPACTED BY THIS REGULATION.**

The final rule applies to all motor vehicle and mobile equipment surface coating operations. (Mobile automotive refinishers that perform spot repairs at customer locations are subject to the Rule only if they use a spray gun with a cup size greater than 3.0 fluid ounces.) However, if you are the owner or operator of a motor vehicle or mobile equipment surface coating operation, you may petition the USEPA Administrator for an exemption from this subpart if you can demonstrate, to the satisfaction of the Administrator, that you spray apply no coatings that contain the target HAP.

**Under this rule you must submit the attached Initial Notification Form to the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency and USEPA by January 11<sup>th</sup> 2010.** (retain a copy for your records)

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We have enclosed a factsheet summarizing these regulations for your review and urge you to read **40 CFR Part 63 National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants: Paint Stripping and Miscellaneous Surface Coating Operations** to determine your facility's specific regulatory requirements. The regulations include requirements regarding enclosures, equipment, cleaning, training & certification, recordkeeping, and reporting. **Auto body shops that commenced operation after Sept 17, 2007 must be in full compliance with all rule requirements upon startup. Existing auto body shops (commenced Sept 17, 2007 or before) must be in full compliance with the requirements no later than January 10, 2011.** We anticipate there will be environmental enforcement inspections of the industry to follow.

***For additional information including information regarding petitioning for exemption, the regulations in their entirety, and other assistance materials visit [www.iencconnect.com/enviro](http://www.iencconnect.com/enviro) or call the Illinois Small Business Environmental Assistance Program at 800/252-3998.***

(Note: These requirements are in addition to any existing state or local regulations for your facility.)

**The Illinois Small Business Environmental Assistance Program assists companies in understanding their environmental obligations. In effort to determine your industry's needs, representatives of our program will be visiting auto body shops in January & February to help us assess compliance needs and determine the best ways to assist you. If contacted we appreciate your participation and our staff will provide you one-on-one assistance in determining any changes your shop will need to make to reach compliance with the new rule by your compliance date. We are a non-regulatory program and information shared with us will NOT be shared with regulatory enforcement programs.**

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