

ERIC Reporting Year 2013 Guidance

The ERIC system is now online for 2013 Emissions Inventory reporting. Please note several changes to ERIC and important information relative to reporting this year below.

ERIC Upgrade

- The ERIC application has been upgraded and moved to the [Business Applications](#) area of the LDEQ's website. The upgrade requires existing ERIC users to follow a simple process to migrate their ERIC account permissions into the new system. Please refer to the [Migration Guidance](#) document in the Resources area on the ERIC Homepage.
- **Please complete the migration of your ERIC permissions as soon as possible.** The legacy ERIC system will be retired on May 31, 2014. Any user permissions that were not transferred will be lost.
- If you have a desktop shortcut directly to the ERIC application, bypassing the ERIC homepage, remember that you will need to update the link to point to the [new ERIC application](#).

User Administration

- As in the past, Facility Administrators should review the list of individuals who have privileges to read or manage the ERIC submittals for their facility. Individuals move between firms routinely, so you should regularly review the list of people who have access to your data. DEQ DOES NOT MANAGE THIS FOR YOU!
- As a reminder, **each individual** should have their own DEQ account. We strongly discourage the sharing of single user accounts and passwords across a facility or firm. This directly impacts the security of the system and should not be tolerated by the facility representative that is certifying the inventory.
- As a security measure, when LDEQ receives phone calls about a particular inventory, our staff will only speak to individuals shown to have Manager or Administrator level access to the ERIC account for that facility.

SO₂ Nonattainment Area may require facilities to begin Reporting for 2014 emissions!

- The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) designated St. Bernard Parish, Louisiana as nonattainment with respect to the 2010 primary 1-hour sulfur dioxide (SO₂) National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS) of 75 parts per billion (ppb).
- The designation was published in the federal register (78 FR 47191) on August 5, 2013 and will become effective on October 4, 2013.
- Pursuant to LAC 33:III.919.A.1.a, if a facility located in St. Bernard Parish or the adjoining parishes, Plaquemines and Orleans, has the potential to emit or is permitted to emit a pollutant that meets or exceeds the pollutant threshold values in Table 6 of LAC 33:III.919.A.2.
- Newly affected facilities that are impacted by this designation will be required to report for the 2014 reporting year.

Prior Year Revisions

- The validation rules for revisions to prior year inventories have been adjusted. This should resolve any issues that were encountered with validation of prior year inventory revisions. Any facility that had problems validating revised inventories, please validate and submit certification statements for the revised inventories.
- Facilities that were directed to submit inventory revisions as part of an enforcement action and were instructed to wait until ERIC accepted those revisions please enter the revised data into ERIC and submit certification statements for the revisions.
- Likewise, if you reported EI revisions to LDEQ in a **letter** from 2006 to 2012, please enter the revised data into ERIC and submit certification statements for the revisions to be properly documented.
- Facilities now have access to **all** of their prior year inventories. Pre-2006 inventories from the EIS and TEDI systems are available in ERIC. If you wish to revise one of these inventories, ERIC will combine the two inventories for that particular year and generate a single inventory document from which you can make your revisions.

Training

- LDEQ is currently modifying how the ERIC system user training is presented. Online training modules and hands-on computer classroom training will be available beginning January 2014.
- Please monitor the ERIC website for more information regarding training.