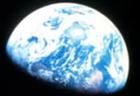




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COP 24 Held in Poland Climate Action at Critical Point



COP24 • KATOWICE 2018
UNITED NATIONS CLIMATE CHANGE CONFERENCE

The 24th Meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) was held in Poland from 2-14 December, 2018.

At this conference, delegates discussed what was termed the Talanoa Call for Action. It calls for the urgent and rapid mobilization of all societal actors to step up their efforts with a view to meeting the global climate goals agreed in Paris in 2015.

For more information on COP 24 see:

<https://unfccc.int/event/cop-24>

https://cop24.gov.pl/fileadmin/user_upload/files/Talanoa_Call_for_Action.pdf

<http://sdg.iisd.org/events/unfccc-cop-24/>

Manitoba on Path to Address Climate Change



Manitoba is taking on the climate change challenge locally and MOPIA is part of the solution.

MOPIA was asked by The Climate and Green Plan Office (Manitoba Sustainable Development) to be a participant on one of the ten newly formed Sector Advisory Working Groups on Climate Change. The first meeting took place on December 7 at the University of Winnipeg.

Manitoba's Climate and Green Plan Implementation Act is law.

See: <https://web2.gov.mb.ca/bills/41-3/b016e.php>

2019 Secondary Distributor Permit Renewals Due by December 31

SECONDARY DISTRIBUTOR PERMIT

MANITOBA OZONE DEPLETING SUBSTANCES AND OTHER HALOCARBONS REGULATION 103/94



ISSUED TO

SAMPLE COMPANY

PERM. #
SB 10000

This Secondary Distributor permit issued at Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada valid to and expiring on December 31, 2018, allows the permittee to import and / or purchase an ozone depleting substance or equipment containing an ozone depleting substance in accordance with the Ozone Depleting Substances and Other Halocarbons Regulation 103/94 pursuant to The Ozone Depleting Substances Act.

Neil Cunningham,
Director, Climate Change and Air Quality Branch



If your company purchases and/or imports into the province regulated products (i.e. any parts attached to the closed refrigerant loop) or any regulated refrigerants (i.e. HCFCs, HFCs), your company should have a Secondary Distributor (SD) Permit. The SD Permit allows your company to purchase, import and have in possession regulated products. The company should be acquiring the products for which any of their technicians are handling.

Please note, if a technician is giving their MB certification number to a wholesaler on behalf of the company they work to obtain regulated products, they then assume the responsibility in part for the company. They should (alternatively) pick-up these regulated products under their employer/company SD Permit from a wholesaler/distributor.

There are over 550 companies in Manitoba that typically have the annually issued SD Permit issued through MOPIA. The cost is \$50 as specified in the Manitoba ODS and Other Halocarbons Regulation 103/94. Companies that should have the permit include all wholesalers, distributors, auto dealers, agricultural implement dealers and the various air conditioning and refrigeration service companies among others. Contact MOPIA if you need more info or for an SD Permit application form. Also on-line at: www.mopia.ca

Let MOPIA know if you need more details or would like to apply for a 2019 SD Permit or visit our website for the application. Also, advise us or a Manitoba Environment Officer directly if you know of a company that may be obtaining regulated items wrongfully as penalties for these instances are up to \$500,000 on a first offence. www.gov.mb.ca/sd/eal/



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MOPIA Aiming to Strengthen Manitoba's ODS Regulation



Manitoba's Ozone Depleting Substances and Other Halocarbons Regulation was originally implemented back in 1992 and was amended a couple of times most notably to include potent greenhouse gas hydrofluorocarbons (HFCs) back in 2005.

As new technology has emerged, innovations and improvements have been made in the various affected industry sectors and changes have been implemented nationally (Federal Halocarbon Regulation) and with the Montreal Protocol, Manitoba's Regulation is due for a thorough evaluation and amendments to better safeguard the environment and make industry more proficient.

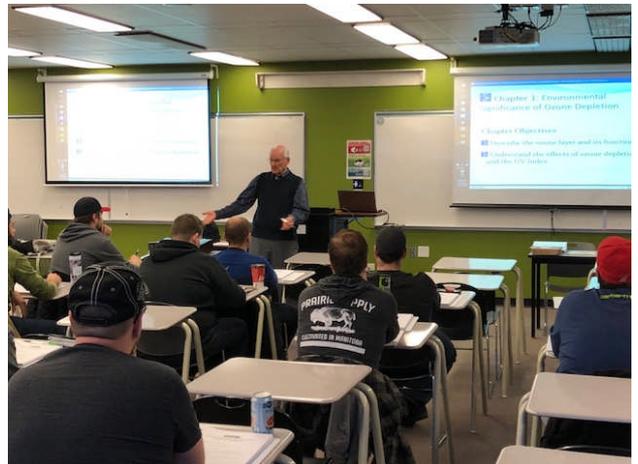
As such, MOPIA continues to encourage discussion and input on what possible amendments may improve and strengthen the regulation looking forward towards 2030.

Dialogue at our summer outreach sessions has allowed MOPIA to create a draft document "Proposed MR 103/19 Regulation Amendments" which can be seen on our website. Your continued input is encouraged towards establishing a final document we are aiming to submit to the Manitoba Government by the approaching summer of 2019.

Sectors primarily affected include those within the A/C, HVACR (i.e. refrigerants), solvents (i.e. HFCs), foams (i.e. HFCs), fire protection (i.e. halons & alternatives), sterilants, agriculture (i.e. soil and produce fumigants) among others.

Comments/input from any stakeholder including the public is encouraged via email. All perspectives will be summarized in a formal document that will be submitted to Manitoba Sustainable Development. MOPIA will continue to solicit input at outreach sessions planned for the Spring 2019 across Manitoba and through promotion on our website.

Next Certification Training Class



Mr. Botho Kramer instructing a certification class held at Red River College, Nov. 2018

MOPIA will be hosting our next one-day certification class in Winnipeg on Saturday, February 2. Anyone working on the gas side of an air conditioning/refrigeration system requires this certification under Manitoba Regulation 103/94. In Manitoba, over 15,000 people have received certification since 1993. It is mandatory across Canada and similar training is required in the USA and other parts of the world in an effort to ensure refrigerants are safely used and captured.

Persons interested should register in advance by contacting MOPIA by email (mopia@mymts.net) or phone (see above). The cost of participating is \$185 per student.

The class typically runs from 8 am – 6 pm with the exam. The aim is to ensure all services are in compliance with the Manitoba ODS Regulation (i.e. no topping up, leak checking is done, etc.).

Resource Corner

Government of Manitoba
Manitoba Sustainable Development ODS Act/Regulation
<http://web2.gov.mb.ca/laws/regs/annual/2005/178.pdf>
<https://www.gov.mb.ca/sd/envprograms/index.html>

NASA Ozone Watch & Ozone Home Page
<https://ozonewatch.gsfc.nasa.gov/>
<https://www.nasa.gov/ozone>

International Institute of Sustainable Development
www.iisd.org

United Nations Environment Programme "OzoNews"
<http://web.unep.org/ozonaction/>

Environment & Climate Change Canada - Enforcement Notes
www.ec.gc.ca/alef-ewe/default.asp?lang=En&n=8F711F37-1

European Commission – Ozone Protection
https://ec.europa.eu/clima/policies/ozone_en