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TO: Local Health Departments

FROM: Howard W. Cundiff, P.E., Director *HW Cundiff*
Consumer protection

SUBJECT: Residential and Commercial Onsite Sewage Systems
Revised Standards for Chamber Trench Soil Absorption Field Technology

We have revised the standards for the use of chamber trench soil absorption field technology in Indiana. The attached standards were revised on January 6, 2006. They replace the standards approved on July 22, 2005 that became effective on August 1, 2005.

The primary reason for revising these standards was to update the list of approved chamber products at the end of the document. Other minor changes were made to the format and wording of the document. An electronic file showing all changes will be furnished upon request.

The ISDH has no objection to the approval of chamber trench soil absorption field technology for repair or replacement of an existing residential onsite sewage system in failure, provided that the design and installation is approved in accordance with the best judgment of the local board of health, is not contrary to 410 IAC 6-8.1-31(a), and is no more than 48 inches below the ground surface [see 410 IAC 6-8.1-33(a)].

If you have any questions, please contact Alan Dunn (residential systems) or Bob Hilton (commercial systems).

Attachment

cc: Environmental Health staff
Plan Review staff
Residential Onsite Sewage staff
Advanced Drainage Systems, Inc.
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Infiltrator Systems, Inc.