Kansas Administrative Regulations

Department of Health and Environment

Article 29.—Solid Waste Management—Part 1. Definitions and Administration Procedures.

28-29-16. Inspections.

(a) The secretary or any duly authorized representative of the secretary, at any reasonable hour of the day, having identified themselves and giving notice of their purpose, may:

(1) Enter a factory, plant, construction site, solid waste disposal area, solid waste processing facility, or any environment where solid wastes are generated, stored, handled, processed, or disposed, and inspect the premises and gather information of existing conditions and procedures;

(2) Obtain samples of solid waste from any person or from the property of any person, including samples from any vehicle in which solid wastes are being transported;

(3) Drill test wells on the affected property of any person holding a permit or liable for a permit under K.S.A. 65-3407 or amendments of that statute and obtain samples from the wells;

(4) Conduct tests, analyses, and evaluations of solid waste to determine whether the requirements of these regulations are otherwise applicable to, or violated by, the situation observed during the inspection;

(5) Obtain samples of any containers or labels; and

(6) Inspect and copy any records, reports, information, or test results relating to wastes generated, stored, transported, processed, or disposed.

(b) If during the inspection, unidentified or unpermitted waste storage or handling procedures are discovered, the department's representative may instruct the operator of the facility to retain and properly store solid or hazardous wastes, pertinent records, samples, and other items. These materials shall be retained by the operator until the identification and handling of the waste is approved by the department.

(c) When obtaining samples, the department's representative shall allow the facility operator to collect duplicate samples for separate analysis. Analytical data that might reveal trade secrets shall be treated as confidential by the department, when requested by the owner.

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