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RE: Amendments to Title 6 of the Philadelphia Code Pertaining to Asbestos Project Inspectors, Asbestos Contractors, and Major Asbestos Projects

To All Asbestos Professionals:

Bill No. 110712 amending Title 6 of the Philadelphia Code was signed into law on December 30, 2011. Title 6 of the Philadelphia Code now provides that no person that is “affiliated” with an asbestos abatement contractor may perform “air sampling, visual inspection, or other continuous monitoring on major asbestos projects.” Phila. Code. §§ 6-601(46), 6-604(2)(c).

Accordingly, certified Asbestos Project Inspectors (APIs) who are affiliated with an Asbestos Abatement Contractor may no longer conduct sampling, visual inspection, or other continuous monitoring on any major asbestos project as required by Title 6 of the Philadelphia Code or the Asbestos Control Regulation (See previous citation.) AMS will consider a certified API to be “affiliated” with an Asbestos Abatement Contractor if:

- the certified API is employed or retained by any Asbestos Abatement Contractor.
- the certified API owns or operates an Asbestos Abatement Company
- the certified API is otherwise controlled by or acts under the direction of an Asbestos Abatement Contractor

If you have any questions, please call me at (215) 685-7576.

Sincerely,

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