

COMMONLY ASKED QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

REPORTING REQUIREMENTS FOR CATEGORY 3 OR HIGHER HURRICANES¹

1. You transport hazardous materials by railcars, vessels, or barges or you temporarily store hazardous materials in storage vessels not permanently attached to the ground (i.e., portable containers). A Category 3 hurricane is approaching the parish in which you operate, and at 10:00 am on Day 1, the proper parish authority issues a mandatory evacuation order. When must you give the required LAC 33:V.Chapter 111 notification to the Department of Public Safety (DPS)?

You must provide the notification within 12 hours of the issuance of the mandatory evacuation order; i.e., within 12 hours of 10:00 am on Day 1. LAC 33:V.11103 and 11105.A and C.

2. You transport hazardous materials by railcars, vessels, or barges or you temporarily store hazardous materials in storage vessels not permanently attached to the ground (i.e., portable containers). A Category 3 hurricane is approaching the parish in which you operate, and at 10:00 am on Day 1, the proper parish authority issues a mandatory evacuation order that is not effective until 6:00 am on Day 2. When must you give the required LAC 33:V.Chapter 111 notification to the DPS?

You must provide the notification within 12 hours of the issuance of the mandatory evacuation order (not within 12 hours of the effective date/time of the order); i.e., you must provide the notification within 12 hours of 10:00 am on Day 1. LAC 33:V.11103 and 11105.A and C.

3. You transport hazardous materials by railcars, vessels, or barges or you temporarily store hazardous materials in storage vessels not permanently attached to the ground (i.e., portable containers). A Category 1 hurricane is approaching the parish in which you operate, and at 10:00 am on Day 1, the proper parish authority issues a mandatory evacuation order. At 6:00 am on Day 2, the National Hurricane Center issues an updated hurricane projection and now projects the approaching hurricane to be a Category 3 hurricane. When must you give the required LAC 33:V.Chapter 111 notification to the Department of Public Safety (DPS)?

You must provide the notification at the earliest practical time after the updated hurricane projection is issued; i.e., as soon as practical after the National Hurricane Center issued the updated hurricane projection at 6:00 am on Day 2. LAC 33:V.11103 and 11105.A and C. *The DPS encourages you to begin making LAC 33:V.Chapter 111 notifications, even if only courtesy notifications, at the earliest practical time after the issuance of a mandatory evacuation order.*

¹ LAC 33:V.Chapter 111.