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65-34,142. Definitions. As used in this act:

- (a) "Chlorinated drycleaning solvent" means any drycleaning solvent which contains a compound which has a molecular structure containing the element chlorine.
- (b) "Corrective action" means those activities described in subsection (a) of K.S.A. 65-34,148.
- (c) "Corrective action plan" means a plan approved by the secretary to perform corrective action at a drycleaning facility.
- (d) "Department" means the department of health and environment.
- (e) "Drycleaning facility" means a commercial establishment that operates, or has operated in the past, in whole or in part for the purpose of cleaning garments or other fabrics utilizing a process that involves any use of drycleaning solvents. Drycleaning facility includes all contiguous land, structures and other appurtenances and improvements on the land used in connection with a drycleaning facility but does not include prisons or governmental entities.
- (f) "Drycleaning solvent" means any and all nonaqueous solvents used or to be used in the cleaning of garments and other fabrics at a drycleaning facility and includes but is not limited to perchloroethylene, also known as tetrachloroethylene, and petroleum-based solvents, and the products into which such solvents degrade.
- (g) "Drycleaning unit" means a machine or device which utilizes drycleaning solvents to clean garments and other fabrics and includes any associated piping and ancillary equipment and any containment system.
- (h) "Fund" means the drycleaning facility release trust fund.
- (i) "Immediate response to a release" means containment and control of a known release in excess of a reportable quantity and notification to the department within 48 hours of any known release in excess of a reportable quantity.
- (j) "Owner" means any person who owns or leases, or has owned or leased, a drycleaning facility and who is or has been responsible for the operation of drycleaning operations at such drycleaning facility.
- (k) "Person" means an individual, trust, firm, joint venture, consortium, joint-stock company, corporation, partnership, association or limited liability company. Person does not include any governmental organization.
- (l) "Release" means any spill, leak, emission, discharge, escape, leak or disposal of drycleaning solvent from a drycleaning facility into the soils or waters of the state.
- (m) "Reportable quantity" means a known release of a chlorinated drycleaning solvent in excess of one quart over a 24-hour period or a known release of a nonchlorinated drycleaning solvent in excess of one gallon over a 24-hour period.
- (n) "Retailer" means any business that: (1) Is registered for purposes of the Kansas retailers sales tax act and provides drycleaning, or drycleaning and laundry, services to final consumers; or (2) has provided a drycleaning, or drycleaning and laundry, facility with a resale exemption certificate and is responsible for charging and collecting retailers' sales tax from final consumers of drycleaning or laundry services.

(o) "Secretary" means the secretary of health and environment.

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