

**ETHICS AND CONFLICT OF INTEREST STATEMENT
FOR
MEMBERS OF THE UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANKS AND SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL
CONTROL BOARD**

1. Pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated section 68-211-111(i), “No member of the board shall participate in making any decision of a permit or upon a case in which the municipality, firm, or organization which the member represents, or by which the member is employed, or in which the member has a direct substantial financial interest, is involved.”
2. Each board member shall read and comply with all applicable portions of Executive Order No. 2, *An Order Concerning Ethics Policies Applicable to, and Ethics Disclosures Required of, Executive Branch Employees*, issued January 24, 2019 (attached), and any subsequent applicable Executive Order concerning ethics or conflicts of interest.
3. Each board member shall avoid all known applicable conflicts of interest, and to the extent the board member becomes aware of such a conflict of interest in connection with any matter brought before the board, the board member shall disclose such conflict to the other board members, Administrative Law Judge, and/or other appropriate person(s) and shall further recuse him or herself from participating in any consideration of the matter.
4. No board member shall participate in discrete decisions or actions specifically impacting individuals in his or her immediate family, individuals in their capacity as an employee of the board member, or the board member’s personal business.
5. A conflict of interest for purposes of this Statement is a conflict on the part of a board member between his or her private interests and the official responsibilities inherent in membership on a board, an office of public trust. It is recognized that the composition of the board is statutorily mandated to include representatives of specified groups in order to assure that views and interests of the specified groups are represented. Therefore, an applicable conflict of interest does not exist when a board member participates in the discharge of his or her official duties, including participation in the promulgation of rules, if such participation will not substantially affect a direct or indirect financial interest, as described in Executive Order No. 2 or any subsequent applicable Executive Order, of the board member, or an entity with which he or she is associated, in a manner different from the manner in which it affects the other members of the class to which he or she, or the associated entity, belongs.
6. When a board member is in doubt as to the proper interpretation of this conflict of interest statement, he or she is expected to seek the advice of the Commissioner of Environment and Conservation or the Commissioner’s designee, which will be one or more persons impartial to the interpretation issue in question.
7. All members of the board must annually:
 - (a) Review the Ethics and Conflict of Interest Statement; and
 - (b) Submit a signed and dated Ethics and Conflict of Interest Statement Acknowledgement to the Technical Secretary.

THIS ETHICS AND CONFLICT OF INTEREST STATEMENT DATED JANUARY 25, 2021, REPLACES AND SUPERSEDES ANY PREVIOUS SUCH STATEMENTS PROVIDED TO OR EXECUTED BY BOARD MEMBERS.

UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANKS AND SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL CONTROL BOARD

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT
OF
ETHICS AND CONFLICT OF INTEREST STATEMENT**

The member has received and read a copy of the attached ETHICS AND CONFLICT OF INTEREST STATEMENT dated January 25, 2021. The member affirms that he/she understands that the Governor considers compliance with the STATEMENT a condition of service.

Signature of Board Member

Date

Please Print Name