

## 1.11 FLEET INSPECTION STATION (FIS) LICENSE

### **Why do I need this approval?**

The Department issues this license as a service in order to allow vehicle fleet operators to perform official emissions inspections of their vehicles under the Vehicle Emissions Inspection Program (VEIP).

### **What laws or regulations give MDE the legal authority to issue this approval?**

STATE: Transportation Article, Title 23, Subtitle 2, Sec. 23.201- 23.209; COMAR 11.14.08.

### **What is the process to get this approval?**

- 1) After receiving a complete application, the Department schedules a new facility inspection.
- 2) Upon successful inspection, the facility license is issued and the facility can begin work in the program.

### **Are there any other requirements?**

PRE-APPROVAL: The prospective FIS must own or operate a fleet of at least 25 vehicles, maintain a vehicle repair facility, employ a Master Certified Emissions Technician (MCET; see 1.13), and purchase FIS testing equipment and maintenance agreement from the State VEIP management and operations contractor.

POST-APPROVAL: The facility agrees to maintain the testing equipment, provide access for a monthly quality assurance equipment audit, and provide access for an annual performance audit of each MCET.

### **How long should I expect it to take to get this approval once I submit a complete application?**

30 days.

### **Once I get this approval, how long will it last?**

Existing licenses remain in effect as long as conditions are met.

### **How much will this approval cost?**

No fee. However, for each VEIP test performed, the FIS must pay a \$14.00 test fee to the Maryland Department of Transportation Motor Vehicle Administration (State, county, and local governments are exempt from the test fee) and a \$5 transaction fee to the VEIP management and operations contractor.

### **Who do I contact with additional questions?**

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