Overview
This rulemaking updates, clarifies and restructures the existing asbestos management program rules. The United States Environmental Protection Agency granted delegation of authority to Indiana to implement and enforce the Asbestos National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants in 40 CFR 61, Subpart M in 1976. Indiana adopted regulations at 326 IAC 14-10 concerning emission standards for asbestos demolition and renovation operations. In response to the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act and the Asbestos School Hazard Abatement Reauthorization Act, Indiana adopted regulations at 326 IAC 18 for a state training and licensing program for persons handling asbestos in schools and other buildings. These regulations have not been revised in about twenty years, so this rulemaking removes unnecessary provisions, clarifies language, and restructures existing requirements for ease of reading.

Suggested Changes since Preliminary Adoption
Several minor revisions have been made to correct mistakes and for consistency in the proposed rule language. These revisions do not have a substantive impact on the preliminarily adopted rule language.

Affected Persons
This rule affects the owner or operator of a demolition or renovation activity, a person who is involved with an asbestos project as a contractor, inspector, management planner, project designer, project supervisor, or worker, and a person who provides an approved asbestos training course for licensing persons to work with asbestos in Indiana.

Reasons for the Rule
This rulemaking will clarify, update, and restructure Indiana's existing asbestos management program rules to ensure consistency in the program and with federal requirements. It will also remove unnecessary provisions.

Economic Impact of the Rule
The proposed revisions clarify and update Indiana’s existing asbestos management program requirements and ensure consistency with federal requirements and within the program. Some changes, such as additional options for providing notice to the department, removing the requirement to submit photographs, and lengthening the lapse time of an expired license before requiring an initial course be retaken, will provide a cost savings to regulated persons.

Scheduled Board Action and Hearings
First Public Hearing: November 14, 2018, Indiana Government Center South, 10 North Senate
Avenue, Conference Center Room A, Indianapolis, Indiana.
Second Public Hearing: February 13, 2019, Indiana Government Center South, 10 North Senate Avenue, Conference Center Room A, Indianapolis, Indiana.

**IDEM Contact**
Additional information regarding this rulemaking action can be obtained from Christine Pedersen, Rules Development Branch, Office of Legal Counsel, (317) 233-5684, (800) 451-6027 (in Indiana), or cpedersen@idem.in.gov.