

**424.8 Payment of environmental protection charge.**

1. The charge levied under this chapter is due and payable in calendar quarterly installments on or before the last day of the month following each quarterly period except as otherwise provided in this section.

2. Every permit holder at the time of making the return required hereunder, shall compute and pay to the department the charges due for the preceding period.

3. *a.* If a receiver fails to pay charges imposed by this chapter to the depositor required to collect the charge, then in addition to all of the rights, obligations, and remedies provided, the charge is payable by the receiver directly to the department, and this chapter applies to the receiver as if the receiver were a depositor.

*b.* If a depositor subject to this chapter sells the depositor's business or stock of petroleum or quits the business, the depositor shall prepare a final return and pay all charges due within the time required by law. The immediate successor to the depositor, if any, shall withhold a sufficient amount of the purchase price, in money or money's worth, to pay the amount of delinquent charge, interest, or penalty due and unpaid. If the immediate successor of the business or stock of petroleum intentionally fails to withhold the amount due from the purchase price as provided in this paragraph, the immediate successor is personally liable for the payment of the delinquent charges, interest, and penalty accrued and unpaid on account of the operation of the business by the immediate predecessor depositor, except when the purchase is made in good faith as provided in section 424.6. However, a person foreclosing on a valid security interest or retaking possession of premises under a valid lease is not an "immediate successor" for purposes of this paragraph. The department may waive the liability of the immediate successor under this paragraph if the immediate successor exercised good faith in establishing the amount of the previous liability.

89 Acts, ch 131, §20