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Stage 9 Amendments to the Contaminated Sites Regulation

Stage 9 amendments to the Contaminated Sites Regulation (the Regulation) under the *Environmental Management Act* (the Act) will come into effect on February 1, 2014.

The amendments will add a human health protection lead standard for industrial land use to Schedule 5 of the Regulation. In addition, the amendments will replace with new standards the existing human health protection lead standards for the other land uses in Schedule 5.

Making the Director's Interim Standard for lead permanent

The Director's Interim Industrial Land Use, Human Health Protection Standard for Lead came into effect on February 1, 2013.

Because the Director's Interim Standard will expire on January 31, 2014, the Minster has now amended the Regulation to make the interim standard for lead permanent in Schedule 5.

Updating the Schedule 5 lead standards for other land uses

In order to ensure a consistent and protective regulatory process for the management of lead under British Columbia's contaminated sites regime, the amendments will replace the existing human health protection lead standards for the other land uses in Schedule 5 with new standards established in accordance with the toxicity reference value

and ministry procedures used to derive the Director's Interim Standard for lead.

The changes to Schedule 5 include the following new standards:

Land Use	New Matrix Numerical Soil Standard (µg/g) – Human Health Protection
Agricultural Land	400
Urban Park Land	400
Residential Land	400
Commercial Land	700
Industrial Land	4 000

Footnote 4 in Schedule 5 will be amended to explain the derivation of the new lead standards.

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