



1 B. 1. The Department of Environmental Quality may grant an  
2 exception to a public water supply system from the review and permit  
3 requirement for construction of a water line extension.

4 2. The Board shall promulgate rules setting forth conditions  
5 for the exceptions including but not limited to a certification by  
6 the system, upon application for an exception, that the proposed  
7 design and construction of the extension meets or exceeds Board  
8 standards and, after the completion of construction but prior to the  
9 commencement of service by the extension, a sufficiency  
10 certification by a professional engineer licensed to practice in the  
11 State of Oklahoma, that the extension as constructed meets or  
12 exceeds Board standards. The certifications shall provide  
13 assurances, respectively, that the integrity and capacity of the  
14 existing system will not or have not been compromised. The rules  
15 shall allow a rural water district or nonprofit rural water  
16 corporation to submit in lieu of a sufficiency certification by a  
17 professional engineer, certification by a certified waterworks  
18 operator employed by the district, provided that the line extension  
19 is not larger than the existing line, that no part of the existing  
20 water line was previously extended pursuant to this paragraph, that  
21 the extension does not add more than one (1) service connection to  
22 the existing line, and that the line has not been extended through,  
23 over or under any stream, lake, pond or marsh or any existing sewage  
24 or wastewater collection lines.

1           3. The Department may disallow any exception application which  
2 does not comply with this section or rules promulgated by the Board,  
3 or which does not assure protection of the existing system or public  
4 health and the environment.

5           4. Failure of a system to meet the terms of a granted exception  
6 may result in the termination of the exception, the denial of future  
7 exceptions or the imposition of permit or corrective action  
8 requirements by the Department, or a combination thereof. No  
9 exception shall be terminated until the Department has advised the  
10 owner or operator of the excepted system and are given an  
11 opportunity to show compliance with all exception requirements.

12           C. An application for a permit to construct shall be  
13 accompanied by maps, plans and specifications, prepared by a  
14 professional engineer registered in the State of Oklahoma. The  
15 application shall include but not be limited to:

- 16           1. A description of the design of the system;
- 17           2. Identification of the system's source;
- 18           3. A description of the manner of storage and distribution and  
19 purification of the water proposed for the supply previous to its  
20 delivery to consumers; and
- 21           4. Any other data and information required by the Department.

22           D. Any person serving water to the public from a system that  
23 was constructed without a permit to construct and was being used to  
24 serve water to the public prior to June 1, 2011, may meet the

1 requirements of subsection A of this section by obtaining a permit  
2 to supply issued by the Executive Director ~~on or before December 31,~~  
3 ~~2012.~~ Applications for the permits shall be accepted only if they  
4 are complete ~~and submitted to the Department prior to July 1, 2012.~~  
5 The Department may deny any application that fails to establish that  
6 the water supply meets and can continue to meet the drinking water  
7 standards. In order to be considered complete, applications shall  
8 include, at a minimum:

- 9 1. A description of the design of the system;
  - 10 2. The identification of the source of water for the system;
  - 11 3. A description of the manner of storage, distribution and  
12 purification of the water prior to delivery to consumers;
  - 13 4. A description of the additional testing and source water  
14 protection measures the system will implement to assure continued  
15 compliance with drinking water standards; and
  - 16 5. Any other data and information requested by the Department.
- 17 E. Permits issued under subsection D of this section:
- 18 1. Shall be classified as Tier 1 permits pursuant to the  
19 Oklahoma Uniform Environmental Permitting Act;
  - 20 2. Shall be subject to additional monitoring requirements when  
21 determined necessary by the Department; and
  - 22 3. May include other permit conditions necessary to assure  
23 continued compliance with drinking water standards.

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1 SECTION 2. It being immediately necessary for the preservation  
2 of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby  
3 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and  
4 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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6 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON UTILITY AND ENVIRONMENTAL  
7 REGULATION, dated 03/25/2013 - DO PASS.  
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