



September 3, 2026

Alice Quinn
Residential On-site Sewage Systems Manager
Indiana Department of Health
Public Health Services Commission
Environmental Public Health Division
2 North Meridian Street
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Re: Request for Allowance of Vent Removal for existing AES System Installations

Dear Alice,

In response to your email dated August 19, 2026 Infiltrator Water Technologies (Infiltrator) requests allowance of vent removal for systems permitted and/or installed prior to the most recent modification approval that permitted optional venting in AES system installations installed with 18 inches or less of cover. The following are our responses to your request for clarification; our response is provided in *italic font*:

1. Clarify that differential venting may only be removed from systems installed with AES piping.

Indiana has allowed the installation of the Enviro-Septic and Advanced Enviro-Septic product lines. Optional venting only applies to the Advanced Enviro-Septic system and therefore any installed Enviro-Septic system shall maintain the existing approved installation configuration.

2. The local health department that permitted the system installation must be notified of the vent removal. The local health department may require:
 - a. A permit for system modification or an addendum to the original permit providing documentation of vent removal and the date; and/or
 - b. Verification that the existing system is not exhibiting signs of failure or malfunction prior to vent removal.

Infiltrator agrees that the local health department may require system owners apply for a modification or addendum to the original permit as outlined in a and b above.

3. Provide guidelines as to how the vent removal should be completed and clarify if the vents can be cut off and capped below grade, removed completely which may require replacement of an endcap or distribution box, or other method approved by IWT.

Existing vents may be removed as follows:

Cut off and capped at or below grade. Care should be taken to ensure that vent caps are glued or mechanically fastened and installed at a level that will not be impacted by lawn care to ensure caps remain in place and watertight.



4. Clarify if vent removal is acceptable for residential or commercial systems or both.

Vent removal is acceptable for any system that receives residential strength effluent or better regardless of whether the system is a residential or commercial system.

5. Provide any conditions, limitations, or site considerations that may affect vent removal and any additional guidance from IWT.

Limitations that affect vent removal are the same as the limitations for new installations that would require a system to be vented. Any system that is installed with more than 18 inches of cover material requires that venting remains in place. Additionally, systems that are currently under the original installation warranty will require approval of vent removal from the original system designer/installer to ensure that the installation warranty is not voided.

Thank you very much for your attention to this request. Please contact me at 603-631-4897 or via email at jallen@infiltratorwater.com if any further information is required.

Sincerely,

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