

NOTICE

DATE: December 15, 2008

TO: LICENSED SEPTIC SYSTEM CONTRACTORS

FROM: Westchester County Department of Health

**RE: NEW OWTS REPAIR AND REMEDIATION DATA FORM
TO BE USED EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY**

Please find attached NEW Onsite Wastewater Treatment System (OWTS) Repair and Remediation Data Form (10/08) to be used by Licensed Septic System Contractors effective immediately. **The Septic System Repair Data Form currently used will no longer be accepted.**

This new form results from amendments to Article VIII of the Westchester County Sanitary Code effective November 7, 2008. These amendments were discussed with you during mandatory contractor training that you recently attended.

In addition and also effective immediately, all OWTS Remediations require prior written approval from the Department in accordance with Article VIII, Section 873.726(D) of the Westchester County Sanitary Code.

A Licensed Professional Engineer or Registered Architect shall typically be required for any application to the Department for an OWTS remediation. **However, a Licensed Septic System Contractor may submit such application to the Department for a remediation of an OWTS that only involves the installation of new absorption trenches within areas previously approved by the Department for such use.**

Please find attached applicable Westchester County Rules and Regulations also effective November 7, 2008.

A link to Article VIII of the Westchester County Sanitary Code, which includes further details and all amendments effective November 7, 2008, may be found on the Department homepage at <http://www.westchestergov.com/health/default.htm>.

For more information, please contact the Westchester County Department of Health Mount Kisco District Office at (914) 864-7333.