Missouri coal ash regulation will go into effect in September

Both federal and state regulations that apply to coal utilities have changed over the years. This year, Missouri’s state regulations were deemed “too weak” by the Environmental Protection Agency, so the Department of Natural Resources will draft a new rule for this September.

- Dec. 22
  The worst coal ash spill in U.S. history took place at the Kingston Fossil Plant

- June 21
  EPA proposed first coal ash rule

- April 17
  EPA published first draft

- Oct. 14
  EPA rule was finalized

- December
  A revision was made to establish that states may develop their own coal ash regulation

- June 1
  Bill passed to give Missouri Department of Natural Resources authority to write its own coal ash regulation

- May 23
  The department will submit its final rule sifting through public feedback to the Administrative Rules Committee

- March 24
  EPA stated the department’s rule is too weak

- Sept. 20
  The finalized rule will become effective

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