Dear Stakeholder,

As the current COVID-19 situation continues to evolve, we would like to provide as much communication and guidance from our program as possible. We understand your concerns and questions, and we will work diligently to keep you informed as our state agencies and governor’s office disseminate information. Please continue to check our website for updates, which also features a list of frequently asked questions as they pertain to the amusements industry and to the current situation, in addition to providing updates from state agencies and from the governor’s office. Listed below are three main categories of information, which comprise the majority of stakeholders’ inquiries and concerns.

- **Reopening**: As of May 14, 2020, there is no specific date identified for the reopening of amusement ride operations in Colorado. The Second Amended Public Health Order issued by the Colorado Department of Health and Environment (CDPHE) on May 8, 2020 states in Section 1 (H) that "...amusement parks...remain closed". Our Program does not have the authority to enforce this order. If you have questions, please contact our Program or CDPHE.

- **Social distancing and cleaning guidance**: Our Program defers to CDPHE for guidance. Their website features several resources for businesses in downloadable and printable formats, ranging from cleaning guidance to worker and customer protection. Additionally, employers in Colorado are required to meet the federal laws of the Department of Health and Human Services, the Occupational Safety and Health Act (OSHA). Guidance on preparing workplaces for COVID-19 has been released to help employers navigate this process.

- **Permitting**: While we remain open for business, we encourage you to utilize our online, email and telephone services as much as possible. Please refer to our frequently asked questions on our website, as they pertain to specifics on extensions, inspections, and permitting processes during this unprecedented time.

  - Understanding that your contractors, consultants and third party inspectors may not have been available to provide you with timely service, OPS provided regulated owners and operators with extensions to any compliance-related deadline that occurred in March or April of 2020. Beginning in May 2020, OPS will consider case-by-case extensions to compliance deadlines if necessary due to the COVID-19 situation.

  - Please contact our Program if you need to discuss deadlines and extensions. Note: possessing current ride/device permit(s) does not grant the owner/operator of the device the authority to circumvent directions from the Governor's Office regarding opening devices to the public or operating requirements such as social distancing.

Thank you for your communication and diligence, and for your presence in our state. Please stay safe and be well.

If you have questions about this email, please use the contact information below.

With Appreciation,

**Amusement Rides & Devices Program**
Division of Oil and Public Safety
Due to concerns related to COVID-19, the Division of Oil and Public Safety (OPS) is taking precautions to protect the health and safety of our customers and our employees. While OPS remains open for business, we encourage you to utilize our online, email and telephone services as much as possible to minimize social contact.

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As many of our staff will be working remotely over the next few weeks, there may be slight delays to our normal response times. If you are experiencing a delay in response time, please complete this form and we will get back to you as soon as possible.

Thank you for your patience.

Please complete this survey to provide your feedback: [OPS Customer Survey](#).