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**AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE CLEANING OF GREASE
INTERCEPTORS AND THE TRANSPORTATION AND DISPOSAL OF
GREASE INTERCEPTOR WASTE IN THE CITY OF RIDGELAND, MADISON
COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI**

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the City of Ridgeland, Madison County, Mississippi, to prevent commercial food cooking and serving operations from allowing grease to be deposited into the municipal sanitary sewer system, because of the potential for health hazards and the additional cost of cleaning and removal both to the City and its citizens, and

WHEREAS, the adoption of this ordinance will facilitate proper inspection activities and regulate cleaning and waste transportation of grease interceptors in the City of Ridgeland, Madison County, Mississippi, and benefit the public health, safety, and general welfare of the City and its citizens:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Ridgeland, Madison County, Mississippi, that the following ordinance be adopted:

Section 1: Definitions

Building Official shall mean the Building Official or a duly appointed representative.
Clean shall mean to remove the contents of the entire grease interceptor, scrape the walls, wash down the walls with high pressure water, and pump out the contents a second time.
Commercial Food Preparation shall mean cooking or serving food at any location not zoned residential by the City of Ridgeland Zoning Ordinance and which produces waste fat in a liquid form.
Disposer shall mean an enterprise that accepts grease waste for final disposal.
City shall mean the City of Ridgeland, Mississippi.
Generator shall mean any operation engaged in commercial food preparation.
Grease Interceptor shall mean any device or fixture that is designed and installed to separate grease from a sanitary sewer discharge and hold said grease until it can be collected by a grease waste hauler.
Grease Waste shall mean any waste which consists of fat in a liquid form which would be deposited into the City sewer system.
Grease Waste Hauler shall mean any person registered with the City of Ridgeland to collect, transport and dispose of grease waste from generators in the City.
Grease Waste Manifest shall mean a document that shows a Grease Interceptor was cleaned. It shall contain the name of the Grease Waste Hauler, date and time of cleaning, name and location of the Disposer.

Section 2: General Provisions

All commercial food preparation establishments in the City of Ridgeland, Mississippi shall have, operate, and maintain a grease interceptor pursuant to the following:

- A. All new generators within the City of Ridgeland, Mississippi opened after the effective date of this Ordinance shall be required to install and maintain a grease interceptor pursuant to Section 1003 of the 2006 International Plumbing Code before operations commence.
- B. Generators existing at the effective date of the Ordinance within the City of Ridgeland, Mississippi shall be required to install and maintain a grease interceptor pursuant to Section 1003 of the 2006 International Plumbing Code within ninety days of the effective date of this Ordinance.
- C. All generators shall clean their grease interceptor at an interval necessary to prevent grease from entering the City of Ridgeland sanitary sewer system. Under no circumstances shall this interval exceed every ninety days.
- D. Cleaning of grease interceptors shall be performed by a Grease Waste Hauler registered with the City of Ridgeland.
- E. After each cleaning, the Generator shall submit to the Building Official a copy of the Grease Waste Manifest, as given to them by the Grease Waste Hauler.
- F. The Building Official of The City of Ridgeland, Mississippi is hereby authorized to promulgate such rules, regulations, procedures, standards or criteria as are necessary to effectuate the intent of this Ordinance.

Section 3: Penalties

Upon discovery of a violation of this Ordinance, the Building Official shall contact the owner or property manager and explain the violation and acceptable remedies. If, after fourteen days the violation is not corrected, the Building Official shall inform the property owner of the violation by certified mail, return receipt requested or by hand delivery and signature of acceptance. If the violation is not having an interceptor, the property owner shall have ninety days to correct the violation. If the violation is not properly cleaning the interceptor, the property owner shall have four days to have it properly cleaned. If, after the notice period, the violation is not corrected, the Building Official shall disconnect the water service from the building. The Generator shall be responsible for any and all re-connection fees and procedures.

Section 4:

This ordinance shall take effect and be in force thirty days (30) from and after its passage.

MOTION to adopt the foregoing Ordinance was made by Steen and **SECONDED** by Gautier and the foregoing having been first reduced to writing, was submitted to the Board of Aldermen for passage or rejection on roll call vote with the following results:

Alderman Ken Heard (Ward 1) voted:	<u>Aye</u>
Alderman Chuck Gautier (Ward 2) voted:	<u>Aye</u>
Alderman Kevin Holder (Ward 3) voted:	<u>Absent</u>
Alderman Larry Roberts (Ward 4) voted:	<u>Aye</u>
Alderman Scott Jones (Ward 5) voted:	<u>Aye</u>
Alderman Linda Davis (Ward 6) voted:	<u>Aye</u>
Alderman Gerald Steen (At large) voted:	<u>Aye</u>

ORDAINED, ADOPTED AND APPROVED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Ridgeland, Madison County, Mississippi at a regular meeting thereof held on the

20 day of December 2006.



CITY OF RIDGELAND, MISSISSIPPI

BY:

Gene F. McGee
GENE F. MCGEE, MAYOR

ATTEST:

David Overby
DAVID OVERBY, CITY CLERK