

Great American Environmental Division

Protect your client's business from unexpected interruption caused by pollution incidents.



What is business interruption or contingent business interruption coverage?

In simple terms, let's say a pollution incident occurs at an insured's location—or at a location other than the covered location, posing an imminent threat to the covered location—causing the insured to close and stop doing business in order to complete cleanup and remediation activities. During this time, the policy would provide coverage for the following:

- Lost revenues
- Rental income
- Operational costs
- Extra expenses

Let's take a look at some scenarios that could easily affect your clients.



The presence of legionella was detected in the hot water system of a local boutique hotel. The state health regulatory agency became involved and a qualified consultant was hired to investigate and remediate the property. A claim was made immediately for the extensive remediation process as well as resulting business interruption costs associated with closure for remediation activities.



During an extreme winter freeze, a pipe and valve malfunctioned on the rooftop HVAC system of a pet groomer's shop. The incident caused water to leak, damaging drywall causing mold to grow along with damaging a bathing station within the shop. Extensive remediation was needed, leading to the closure of the shop for several weeks. Within days of the incident, a claim was made for the mold remediation costs as well as resulting business interruption costs associated with closure for remediation activities.

Additional Resources

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