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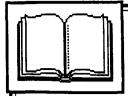
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HOTLINE QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

RCRA

1. Tank Storage at Transfer Facilities

A transfer facility is a place where transporters temporarily hold shipments of hazardous waste during the normal course of transportation (40 CFR §260.10). A transporter storing manifested shipments of hazardous waste in containers meeting DOT packaging requirements at a transfer facility for less than 10 days is not required to obtain a permit and is not subject to the requirements of Parts 264, 265, or 268 (§263.12). May a transporter store hazardous waste in stationary tanks at a transfer facility and still remain subject to the reduced transfer facility requirements of §263.12?

A transporter may not store hazardous waste in stationary tanks and still remain subject to the reduced transfer facility requirements because such tanks are not portable. To store hazardous waste at a transfer facility without a permit or interim status, the transporter must meet three criteria. First, the transporter may store only manifested shipments of hazardous waste. Second, waste must be held in containers (including tank cars and cargo tanks) which meet DOT packaging requirements. Container is defined to mean any portable device in which a material is stored. transported, treated, disposed of, or otherwise handled (40 CFR 260.10). Finally, the waste may only be held for 10 days or less (§263.12). The transfer facility provisions, therefore, apply to storage in portable

containers (to accommodate the normal and routine activities of the transportation industry). Storage of waste in stationary tanks at a transfer facility would not be a normal or routine activity of the transportation industry and thus is prohibited unless the facility has a permit or interim status (45 FR 86967; December 21, 1980).

2. Delay of Closure for Non-retrofitted Hazardous Waste Surface Impoundments Continuing to Receive Non-hazardous Waste

RCRA requires owners and/or operators of surface impoundments that become subject to regulation due to the promulgation of a new hazardous waste listing or characteristic to retrofit the impoundment to meet minimum technological requirements — a double liner, a leachate collection and removal system, and a leak detection system — or close within four years of the promulgation date of the listing or characteristic (3005(j)(6)). If the owner and or operator of a newly-subject surface impoundment ceases receipt of hazardous waste before the four years have elapsed and wants to receive only non-hazardous waste, must she first perform closure under 40 CFR Part 265, Subpart G?

No, the owner and/or operator may continue to receive non-hazardous waste indefinitely in the impoundment provided she complies with §265.113(d) and removes all hazardous waste from the unit (§265.113 (e)). She would not have to perform formal closure activities until 90 days after final receipt of non-hazardous waste (§265.113(a)).

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However, if the owner and/or operator does not remove all hazardous waste from the impoundment, she must begin closure within 90 days of expiration of the four-year retrofitting period. The Regional Administrator may extend this deadline if removal of the hazardous waste will of necessity take longer than 90 days and such an extension will not pose a threat to human health and the environment (§265.113(e)).

For example, a surface impoundment stores a waste which becomes subject to regulation as a result of the promulgation of the toxicity characteristic waste codes on March 29, 1990 (55 FR 11798). The owner and/or operator must retrofit or close the unit by March 29, 1994. If in 1992, the owner and/or operator decides to cease receipt of the hazardous waste, but wants to continue receiving nonhazardous waste, she must remove all of the hazardous waste. Once she has removed all of the hazardous waste, she may receive nonhazardous waste indefinitely. When the owner and/or operator later ceases receipt of nonhazardous waste, for example on January 1, 1996, she must then begin closure operations within 90 days, or by March 31, 1996. If the owner and/or operator chooses not to remove the hazardous waste, and does not receive an extension from the Regional Administrator, she must then begin closure within 90 days of the expiration of the four-year retrofitting period, in this example 90 days from March 24, 1994, or June 24, 1994.

3. Hazardous Waste Liquid-containing Pumps and the Liquids in Landfills Prohibition

RCRA prohibits the disposal of hazardous waste containing free liquids in hazardous waste landfills, where free liquids are defined as those that readily separate from the solid portion of a waste under ambient temperature

and pressure (40 CFR 260.10). To meet this requirement, must owners and/or operators disposing of pumps containing free liquids dismantle the pump to remove the liquid?

Owners and/or operators would not be required to dismantle the pump. When disposing of containerized liquids, owners and/ or operators have three options: remove the liquid by a method such as decanting; add nonbiodegradable sorbent material or solidify the waste so that free liquids are no longer observable; or eliminate the free liquids by some other means (§§264.314(d)(1) and 265.314(c)(1)). The regulations provide exclusions from this requirement for small containers, such as ampules, and containers designed to hold free liquids for use other than storage, such as batteries or capacitors $(\S\S264.314(d)(2)-(3) \text{ and } 265.314(c)(2)-(3)).$ Since the pump holds liquid for use other than storage, the owner and/or operator of the pump will be exempt from the requirement to remove or sorb free liquids.

UST

4. Frequently Asked Questions on the Applicability of the 40 CFR Part 280 Underground Storage Tank Regulations

The Part 280 regulations apply to owners and/or operators of UST systems. How are UST systems defined?

An UST system, or tank system, means an underground storage tank, connected underground piping, underground ancillary equipment, and containment system, if any (§280.12).

Would the pump attached to an UST be considered part of that tank system, and therefore subject to Part 280?

If underground, the pump meets the definition of ancillary equipment, which includes, but is not limited to, piping, fittings, flanges, valves, and pumps used to distribute meter, or control the flow of regulated substances to and from an UST and is subject to the regulations (§280.12).

Is there an exclusion from the Part 280 regulations for an UST of a certain size?

Yes, any UST system with capacity of 110 gallons or less is excluded from the requirements of Part 280 (§280.10).

To be subject to Part 280, USTs must contain "regulated substances." What is a regulated substance under the UST regulations?

A regulated substance is any substance defined in §101(14) of CERCLA (but does not include any substance regulated as a hazardous waste under Subtitle C), and petroleum, including crude oil or any fraction thereof that is liquid at standard conditions of temperature and pressure (§280.12).

How is an UST storing fuel for use in emergency power generators regulated?

An UST storing fuel solely for use by emergency power generators is deferred from the release detection requirements in Subpart D of Part 280 (§280.10). Owners and operators of these systems, however, must comply with the requirements in all other subparts of Part 280 (September 23, 1986; 53 FR 37113).

Would an UST at a residence be subject to Part 280 regulations?

A farm or residential tank of 1,100 gallons or less capacity used for storing motor fuel for noncommercial purposes is not included in the definition of an UST, and would therefore not be subject to the Part 280 regulations (§280.12).

If an UST is storing heating oil, is it subject to the Part 280 regulations?

The UST is not subject to the Part 280 regulations if the heating oil is stored for consumptive use on the premises where stored (§280.12). Consumptive use includes heating as a typical use of the fuels, but does not limit the exclusion to fuels so used. Tanks holding heating oil for any on-site use, such as heating or to power a generator, are exempted from federal regulation (September 23, 1986; 53 FR 37117). State and local regulations may be more stringent.

5. Automatic Tank Gauging Requirements

Owners and/or operators of underground storage tanks (USTs) must comply with release detection requirements in 40 CFR Part 280, Subpart D. Effective leak detection for USTs allows owners and/or operators to respond quickly to signs of leaks. Owners and/or operators of petroleum USTs may use an automatic tank gauging system (ATGS) as an acceptable method for compliance with monthly leak detection requirements (§280.41(a)). An ATGS can test for leaks and can also be used to measure product inventory. If an owner and/or operator conducts monthly leak detection using an ATGS, will a daily product inventory measurement need to be taken as well?

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All ATGS permanently installed on or after December 22, 1990, must be capable of detecting a 0.2 gallon per hour leak rate within a month with a probability of detection (Pd) of 0.95 and a probability of false alarm (Pfa) of 0.05 (§280.40(a)(3)). An ATGS, or any other alternative leak detection method (§280.43(h)(1)), capable of meeting these performance standards would obviate the regulatory requirements for inventory control under §280.43(d), including the need for the owner and/or operator to conduct a daily product inventory measurement.

However, an owner and/or operator using an ATGS not meeting the Pd/Pfa requirements will need to conduct and record a product inventory measurement or use another test of equivalent performance every day that fuel is added or removed from the UST. This daily measurement is required in addition to testing for the loss of product each month (§280.43(d)(2)). Records documenting monitoring activities, whether recorded automatically by the ATGS or manually by the owner and/or operator, must be maintained for at least one year (§280.45). Owners and/or operators of USTs should contact their state or implementing agency to determine if more stringent regulations apply.

6. Use of Insurance and State Funds to Fulfill UST Financial Responsibility

Owners and/or operators of petroleum underground storage tank (UST) systems are required to demonstrate financial responsibility for corrective action by using the mechanisms outlined in 40 CFR Subpart H. Insurance policies (§280.97) and state funds (§280.101) are two of the methods that may be used to fulfill this requirement. However, these mechanisms often include deductible amounts that must be paid by the tank owner. Could a one million dollar insurance plan or

state fund that includes a deductible serve as the sole means of demonstrating UST financial responsibility, or does an owner or operator need to obtain additional coverage for the deductible amount?

A single insurance policy that covers the entire \$1 million or \$2 million sum may be used to demonstrate financial responsibility. EPA alleviated the problem of an uncovered deductible by requiring that insurance for underground storage tanks provide "first dollar" coverage (§280.97(b)(2)). In other words, insurers are liable for the entire sum of the policy including the amount of the deductible. This does not preclude them from allotting such a charge, it simply makes it the insurer's responsibility to recover the deductible amount from the policy holder. This type of coverage ensures that corrective actions will not be stalled or halted because an owner or operator cannot meet the deductible (53 FR 43349; October 26, 1988).

State funds may also be used as the sole method of demonstrating financial responsibility if they provide for the full sum required, though this is often not the case. For example, many state funds apply deductibles without providing first dollar coverage. In these cases, the state funds can be approved as partial financial responsibility mechanisms, but owners and/or operators must use an additional device (like a surety bond) to cover the difference (53 FR 43354; October 26, 1988).



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RCRA

TITLE: Environmental Fact Sheet: Agency Proposes to Authorize Hazardous Waste Management to Indian Tribes

AVAILABILITY: Hotline/Internet EPA ORDER NO.: EPA530-F-96-033

This fact sheet summarizes EPA's proposal to authorize tribal governments to implement RCRA, Subtitle C hazardous waste programs. The proposed rule also provides for tribal eligibility to obtain federal grants to support the development and implementation of such programs under RCRA §3011.

TITLE: Environmental Fact Sheet: EPA Implements the OECD Decision on Transfrontier Movements of Recyclable Wastes

AVAILABILITY: Hotline/Internet EPA ORDER NO.: EPA530-F-95-027

This fact sheet outlines the decision by the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) which established a graduated control system for the transfrontier movement of waste destined for recovery operations. The decision identifies an extensive array of wastes which are subject to different procedural controls depending on their placement on one of three lists — green, amber, or red.

TITLE: Environmental Fact Sheet: Standards Issued for Nonmunicipal Solid Waste Units that Receive CESQG Hazardous Waste AVAILABILITY: Hotline/Faxback EPA ORDER NO.: EPA530-F-96-036 OSW FAXBACK NO.: 30033

This fact sheet provides an overview of the new regulations promulgated under 40 CFR Part 257 for nonhazardous waste disposal facilities that may receive CESQG or household hazardous waste. Units subject to 40 CFR Part 257 will be subject to location restrictions, groundwater monitoring requirements, and corrective action standards.

CERCLA

TITLE: Procedures for Partial Deletions at

NPL Sites

AVAILABILITY: NTIS

NTIS ORDER NO.: PB96-963 222

The document Procedures for Partial Deletions at NPL Sites defines the requirements for partial deletions at NPL sites. On November 1, 1995 (60 FR 55466), EPA published a notice of policy change allowing EPA to delete releases at portions of NPL sites. Prior to this policy change, EPA's policy had been to delete releases only after evaluation of the entire site. This guidance document provides direction for implementation of the partial deletion policy, as well as a sample partial deletion policy Federal Register notice; a partial NPL site deletion Data Collection Form, a sample partial deletion map; and an example partial deletion notice of intent to delete.

TITLE: Revised Guidance on CERCLA Settlements with De Micromis Waste Contributors

AVAILABILITY: Hotline/Internet

EPA ORDER NO.: N/A

This revised guidance supersedes EPA's Guidance on CERCLA Settlements with De Micromis Waste Contributors, issued on July 30, 1993. It consists of a memorandum and seven attachments which are designed to provide guidance on using CERCLA's settlement authorities to resolve the liability of potentially responsible parties (PRPs) who have contributed even less hazardous substances to a site than the traditional de minimis party.

TITLE: Interim Guidance on Orphan Share Compensation for Settlers of Remedial Design/ Remedial Action and Non-Time-Critical Removals

AVAILABILITY: Hotline/Internet

EPA ORDER NO.: N/A

This guidance provides Regions with further direction to address orphan share compensation in Superfund settlement. It is the latest installment in the Clinton Administration's commitment to reform Superfund. This guidance strikes a balance between the budgetary constraints of a lapse in Superfund taxing authority and the desire to provide meaningful reform

TITLE: Fact Sheet: Progress on Superfund

Reforms

AVAILABILITY: Hotline/Internet

EPA ORDER NO.: N/A

This fact sheet reports on significant progress EPA has made in implementing several Superfund reforms. It announces guidance on orphan share, de micromis settlements, Regional Ombudsman, and site-specific special accounts.

TITLE: Fact Sheet: Revised De Micromis Guidance EPA Reducing Transaction Costs for Small Volume Contributors

AVAILABILITY: Hotline/Internet EPA ORDER NO.: N/A

This fact sheet gives a brief overview of the recently issued guidance, which supersedes EPA's 1993 guidance on de micromis settlements.

TITLE: Fact Sheet: Special Accounts Accruing Interest on Settlement Funds AVAILABILITY: Hotline/Internet EPA ORDER NO.: N/A

This fact sheet gives a brief overview of EPA's recently announced special accounts set up to hold settlement funds at Superfund sites for use in the future. These accounts are now interest-bearing.

TITLE: Fact Sheet: Orphan Share Reform EPA Increasing Fairness in the Enforcement Process

AVAILABILITY: Hotline/Internet EPA ORDER NO.: N/A

This fact sheet gives a brief overview of EPA's intentions to offer over \$50 million of past costs and projected oversight costs to compensate for a portion of the orphan share based on settling parties' willingness to perform work.

TITLE: Fact Sheet: Regional Ombudsman Providing a Meaningful Forum for Stakeholder

Concerns

AVAILABILITY: Hotline/Internet

EPA ORDER NO.: N/A

This fact sheet discusses EPA's establishment of a Superfund Ombudsman in each of the ten Regions. Each Ombudsman will serve as a direct point of contact for the public on Superfund concerns. The Ombudsmen report to a top regional management official and have access to resolve stakeholder concerns.

TITLE: Technical Support Services for Superfund Site Remediation and RCRA Corrective Action, Third Edition

AVAILABILITY: NTIS

NTIS ORDER NO.: PB92-205 657

This document highlights the significant EPA technical assistance programs that are available to EPA field staff. Technical programs with procedures in place for processing assistance requests are listed. This document will enable staff to quickly identify resources useful for solving specific hazardous waste clean-up problems. Categories of services listed in the document include technical support sources and brokers, automated information systems, and other sources of information.

TITLE: Handbook Recycling and Reuse of

Material Found on Superfund Sites

AVAILABILITY: Office of Research and

Development

EPA ORDER NO.: EPA625-R-94-004

This document provides assistance in identifying potential recycling technologies for a wide variety of contaminants and matrices. The intent of this handbook is to assist pollution prevention efforts by encouraging recycling and reuse of wastes found on Superfund or Resource Conservation and

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Recovery Act (RCRA) Corrective Action sites. This document highlights specific technologies, and their real-world applications through case studies.

EPCRA

TITLE: Risk Management Planning: Accidental Release Prevention — Final Rule:

Clean Air Act Section 112(r) **AVAILABILITY:** Hotline

EPA ORDER NO.: EPA550-F-96-002

EPA published a set of four fact sheets discussing the history and statutory authority for the accidental release prevention provisions under CAA §112(r). This fact sheet outlines major elements of the Risk Management Plan, details which facilities must comply with these elements, and explains the links between CAA RMP requirements and OSHA Process Safety Management Standards.

TITLE: List of Substances for Accidental Release Prevention — Clean Air Act Section 112(r)

AVAILABILITY: Hotline

EPA ORDER NO.: EPA550-F-96-003

EPA published a set of four fact sheets which discuss the history and statutory authority for the accidental release prevention provisions under CAA §112(r). This fact sheet provides an overview regarding which chemicals were incorporated into the list of substances for accidental release prevention that was published in the January 31, 1994 Federal Register (59 FR 4478).

TITLE: Chemical Accident Prevention and the Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990

AVAILABILITY: Hotline

EPA ORDER NO.: EPA550-F-96-004

EPA published a set of four fact sheets discusses the history and statutory authority for

the accidental release prevention provisions under CAA §112(r). This fact sheet summarizes the basic requirements that facilities must comply with according to CAA §112(r). It lists the elements of the prevention program, details which facilities are affected by the program, and provides information on compliance dates.

TITLE: Clean Air Act Section 112(r) —

Excerpts from Statute

AVAILABILITY: Hotline

EPA ORDER NO.: EPA550-F-96-005

EPA published a set of four fact sheets which discuss the history and statutory authority for the accidental release prevention provisions under CAA §112(r). This fact sheet includes relevant statutory excerpts, definitions of key terms, and an overview of the list of substances and their corresponding threshold quantities.

TITLE: Risk Management Plan Data

Elements: May 1996 Version

AVAILABILITY: Hotline/Internet **EPA ORDER NO.:** EPA550-B-96-012

The CAA §112(r) Risk Management Program regulations will require certain facilities with regulated substances to submit risk management plans. This document serves as final guidance listing the data elements that should be included in a risk management plan.

TITLE: Risk Management Plan Data Elements Instructions: May 1996 Version AVAILABILITY: Hotline/Internet EPA ORDER NO.: EPA550-B-96-012a

The CAA §112(r) Risk Management Program regulations will require certain facilities with regulated substances to submit risk management plans. This document serves as final guidance describing each data element in a risk management plan.

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TITLE: Generic Guidance Risk Management Program (RMP) for Ammonia Refrigeration Facilities: May 1996 Version

AVAILABILITY: Hotline/Internet **EPA ORDER NO.:** EPA550-B-96-013

This generic guidance was developed to help owners and operators of ammonia refrigeration facilities comply with the EPA's CAA §112(r) Risk Management Program regulations. It is intended to assist facility owners or operators in developing adequate risk management programs for their facilities. This document also serves as guidance for facilities that already have safety and prevention programs in place in order to ensure that their plans meet the CAA §112(r) requirements.

TITLE: Offsite Consequence Analysis Guidance: May 1996 Version AVAILABILITY: Hotline/Internet EPA ORDER NO.: EPA550-B-96-014

Under the accidental release provisions of the Clean Air Act, all regulated sources are required to conduct worst-case release analyses. This document serves as final guidance to assist sources in conducting offsite consequence analyses and alternative release analyses. The document provides methods and reference tables to aid in determining consequence distances.

TITLE: Integrated Contingency Plan ("One Plan") Guidance
AVAILABILITY: Hotline/Internet

EPA ORDER NO.: N/A

The National Response Team (NRT) has developed Integrated Contingency Plan (ICP) Guidance to facilitate the consolidation of multiple contingency plans, coordinate facility activities with those of public and commercial responders, and simplify the maintenance of contingency plans. It presents a sample

contingency plan outline which includes a plan introduction, a core plan, and a series of annexes.

TITLE: 1994 Toxics Release Inventory Public Data Release: Executive Summary AVAILABILITY: Hotline/Internet EPA ORDER NO.: EPA745-S-96-001

This document summarizes the information contained in the 1994 Toxics Release
Inventory Public Data Release, which is generated from information contained in the TRI database. It summarizes the data collected for 1994, and provides comparisons to basic data for 1992 and 1993. The report contains information about releases and transfers of toxic chemicals, as well as prevention and management of toxic chemicals in waste.

TITLE: 1994 Toxics Release Inventory Public Data Release: State Fact Sheets AVAILABILITY: Hotline/Internet EPA ORDER NO.: EPA745-F-96-001

This document is designed as a companion volume to EPA's 1994 Toxics Release
Inventory Public Data Release. The fact sheets in the document summarize the 1994 Toxics Release Inventory (TRI) data for each state. Each fact sheet includes a map of the state indicating the location of each covered facility, the amount of on-site releases, and the five chemicals with the largest quantity of releases. Contacts for additional information are also presented.

TITLE: 1994 Toxics Release Inventory Public Data Release

AVAILABILITY: Hotline/Internet EPA ORDER NO.: EPA745-R-96-002

This document, which is generated from information contained in the TRI database, summarizes data collected for 1994 and

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compares basic data from 1992 and 1993. It includes information about releases and transfers of toxic chemicals, prevention and management of toxic chemicals in waste, and year-to-year comparisons of the data. It also contains questions and answers relating to TRI, and a list of state contacts for additional information.



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FINAL RULES

RCRA

"Hazardous Waste Treatment, Storage, and Disposal Facilities and Hazardous Waste Generators; Organic Air Emission Standards for Tanks, Surface Impoundments, and Containers"

June 5, 1996 (61 FR 28508)

EPA postponed the effective date of the organic air emission requirements for hazardous waste generators and hazardous waste treatment, storage, and disposal facilities established in the December 6, 1994 final rule (59 FR 62896). The new effective date is October 6, 1996.

"Nevada: Final Authorization of State Hazardous Waste Management Program Revisions"

June 24, 1996 (61 FR 32345)

EPA determined that the revisions made to the Nevada hazardous waste program satisfy all of the requirements to qualify for final authorization under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act as amended.

"Final Authorization of State Hazardous Waste Management Program: Nebraska"
June 25, 1996 (61 FR 32699)

EPA determined that the revisions made to the Nevada hazardous waste program satisfy all of the requirements to qualify for final authorization under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act as amended. The changes consist of provisions within rules promulgated between July 1, 1985, and

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June 30, 1990 (Non-HSWA Clusters II and III; and HSWA Clusters I and II).

"Land Disposal Restrictions Phase III -Decharacterized Wastewaters, Carbamate Wastes, and Spent Potliners" June 28, 1996 (61 FR 33680)

EPA corrected technical errors in the Land Disposal Restrictions Phase III final rule and the partial withdrawal notice published on April 8, 1996 (61 FR 15565).

"Hazardous Waste Management System; Identification and Listing of Hazardous Waste; Recycled Used Oil Management Standards" June 28, 1996 (61 FR 33691)

On January 19, 1996, the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit vacated the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) October 30, 1995, administrative stay of part of the regulatory provision, known as the "used oil mixture rule," set forth in 40 CFR 279.10(b)(2). In this action EPA clarified the regulatory status of mixtures of used oil and hazardous wastes destined for recycling in light of the Court's vacatur of the administrative stay. This action also eliminated the explanatory note to 40 CFR 279.10(b)(2) that was included in the notice of the administrative stay. In addition, EPA discussed a recent proposal that may affect such mixtures.

CERCLA

"National Priorities List; Newport Dump Superfund Site" June 3, 1996 (61 <u>FR</u> 27788)

EPA announced the deletion of the Newport Dump Site, located in Wilder, Kentucky, from the National Priorities List. The Agency published a notice of its intent to delete the site on May 16, 1988, and published a revised notice on March 8, 1996. EPA and the Commonwealth of Kentucky have determined that no further cleanup under CERCLA is appropriate and that remedial actions at the site have been protective of public health, welfare, and the environment.

"National Priorities List; Waste Disposal Engineering Superfund Site" June 5, 1996 (61 <u>FR</u> 28511)

EPA announced the deletion of the Waste Disposal Engineering Site, located in Andover, Minnesota, from the National Priorities List. The Agency published a notice of its intent to delete the site on March 26, 1996 (61 FR 13131). EPA and the State of Minnesota have determined that no further cleanup under CERCLA is appropriate and that remedial actions at the site have been protective of public health, welfare, and the environment.

"Acquisition Regulation; Bonds and Insurance"
June 11, 1996 (61 <u>FR</u> 29493)

EPA is removing from the EPA Acquisition Regulation clauses regarding insurance for liability to third parties for Superfund June 1996 Federal Registers

response action contractors. This rule eliminates coverage and clauses on Insurance, Liability to Third Persons for commercial organizations and state and local governments performing as response action contractors in Superfund. These clauses were rendered obsolete by EPA's Final Guidelines for Superfund Response Action Contractor Indemnification published on January 25, 1993.

"National Priorities List; New Castle Spill Superfund Site" June 12, 1996 (61 FR 29678)

EPA announced the deletion of the Waste Disposal Engineering Site, located in New Castle, Delaware, from the National Priorities List. The Agency published a notice of its intent to delete the site on March 21, 1996 (59 FR 11597). EPA and the State of Delaware have determined that no further cleanup under CERCLA is appropriate and that remedial actions at the site have been protective of public health, welfare, and the environment.

"National Priorities List" June 17, 1996 (61 <u>FR</u> 30510)

EPA published the National Priorities List identifying the national priorities among the known releases or threatened releases of hazardous substances, pollutants, or contaminants throughout the United States. This rule adds thirteen new sites to the National Priorities List.

CAA

"Risk Management Program for Accidental Release Prevention" June 20, 1996 (61 FR 31668)

EPA announced regulations applicable to all stationary sources with processes that contain

more than a threshold quantity of a regulated substance to prevent accidental releases and reduce the severity of those releases that do occur. Processes are divided into three categories based on the potential for offsite consequence associated with a worst-case accidental release; accident history; or compliance with the prevention requirements under OSHA's Process Safety Management Standard. All sources must prepare a risk management plan based on the risk management programs established at the source.

"Stay of Effectiveness; List of Regulated Substances and Thresholds for Accidental Release Prevention" June 20, 1996 (61 FR 31730)

EPA announced a stay of effectiveness of provisions that are potentially affected by the proposed List Rule Amendments (61 FR 16606; April 15, 1996). Under the stay, owners and operators of processes and sources that the proposed amendments would exempt from the §112(r) Risk Management Program requirements are not subject to those provisions until EPA has determined whether to proceed with proposed amendments.

PROPOSED RULES

RCRA

"Authorization of Indian Tribe's Hazardous Waste Programs Under RCRA Subtitle C"
June 14, 1996 (61 FR 30472)

EPA clarified the eligibility of Tribal Governments to obtain authorization to implement a Subtitle C hazardous waste program under RCRA §3006, and to obtain federal grants to support the development and implementation of such a program under

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RCRA §3011. This proposal identified the standards and procedures that would govern the submission and review of Indian Tribes' authorization applications. It also discussed the circumstances under which Tribes could be approved to operate a partial Subtitle C hazardous waste program.

"Hazardous Waste Management System; Identification and Listing of Hazardous Waste; Proposed Exclusion" June 25, 1996 (61 <u>FR</u> 32746)

EPA proposed to grant a petition to Bekaert Steel Corporation of Rogers, Arkansas, to exclude (or "delist") certain solid wastes generated at its facility from the lists of hazardous wastes contained in 40 CFR 261.31 and 261.32.

"Hazardous Waste Management System; Identification and Listing of Hazardous Waste; Proposed Exclusion" June 25, 1996 (61 FR 32753)

EPA proposed to grant a petition to Texas Eastman Division of Eastman Chemical Company to exclude (or "delist") certain solid wastes generated at its facility from the lists of hazardous wastes contained in 40 CFR 261.24, 261.31, 261.32 and 261.33.

CERCLA

"National Priorities List; Leetown Pesticides Superfund Site" June 14, 1996 (61 <u>FR</u> 30207)

Notice of Intent to Delete

"National Priorities List"
June 17, 1996 (61 <u>FR</u> 30575)

EPA proposed to add 15 new sites to the National Priorities List.

"National Priorities List; Omega Hills Landfill Site" June 25, 1996 (61 FR 32765)

Notice of Intent to Delete

EPCRA

"Toxic Chemical Release Reporting; Addition of Facilities in Certain Industry Sectors" June 27, 1996 (61 FR 33588)

EPA proposed to expand the list of industry groups potentially subject to the toxic chemical release inventory (TRI) reporting requirements under §313 of the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act and §6607 of the Pollution Prevention Act. Seven industry groups are proposed for inclusion in the TRI: metal mining, coal mining, electric utilities, commercial hazardous waste treatment, chemicals and allied products-wholesale, petroleum bulk stations-wholesale, and solvent recovery services. Written comments on the proposed rule must be received on or before August 26, 1996.

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RCRA

"Interim Policy on Compliance Incentives for Small Businesses" June 3, 1996 (61 FR 27984)

EPA Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance issued its Final Policy on Compliance Incentives for Small Businesses. June 1996 Federal Registers

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The policy sets guidelines for the Agency to reduce or waive penalties for small businesses that make good faith efforts to correct violations, and provides guidance for states and local governments to offer incentives for compliance.

"Utah; Final Determination of Adequacy of State/Tribal Municipal Solid Waste Permit Program"
June 13, 1996 (61 FR 30065)

EPA determined that Utah's Municipal Solid Waste Landfill (MSWLF) program is adequate to ensure compliance with the revised federal MSWLF Criteria (40 CFR Part 258).

"Kansas; Final Full Program
Determination of Adequacy of State/
Tribal Municipal Solid Waste Landfill
Permit Program"
June 24, 1996 (61 FR 32434)

EPA determined that Kansas' Municipal Solid Waste Landfill (MSWLF) program is adequate to ensure compliance with the revised federal MSWLF Criteria (40 CFR Part 258).

"Nebraska; Final Full Program
Determination of Adequacy of State/
Tribal Municipal Solid Waste Landfill
Permit Program"
June 24, 1996 (61 FR 32436)

EPA determined that Nebraska's Municipal Solid Waste Landfill (MSWLF) program is adequate to ensure compliance with the revised federal MSWLF Criteria (40 CFR Part 258).

"Hazardous Waste Management System; Identification and Listing of Hazardous Waste; Notice of Extension of Delisting Delegation to Regions" June 25, 1996 (61 FR 32798)

On October 10, 1995, the EPA Administrator extended the delegation of the hazardous waste delisting authority to EPA's 10 Regional Offices. This notice provides a list of Regional delisting contacts.

EPCRA

"Toxic Chemical Release Reporting; Addition of Industry Groups; Public Meeting" June 27, 1996 (61 FR 33619)

EPA announced two public meetings to be held in August to discuss the Agency's proposal to subject facilities in certain industry groups to TRI reporting under EPCRA §313.

CAA

"Risk Management Program for Accidental Release Prevention" June 20, 1996 (61 FR 31733)

EPA issued three guidance documents to assist in the development of risk management programs. Guidance available includes "RMP Offsite Consequence Analysis Guidance," "Model Risk Management Program and Plan for Ammonia Refrigeration," and "Risk Management Plan Data Elements."

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National Response Team

"Integrated Contingency Plan Guidance" June 5, 1996 (61 <u>FR</u> 28642)

EPA announced the availability of the National Response Team's Integrated Contingency Plan ("One Plan") Guidance. The guidance is intended to provide a mechanism for consolidating multiple emergency response plans prepared by facilities in compliance with various regulations into a single functional emergency response plan, or integrated contingency plan.

"Integrated Contingency Plan Guidance; Notice of Correction" June 19, 1996 (61 <u>FR</u> 31103)

The National Response Team (NRT) published corrections to the notice published on June 5, 1996 (61 FR 28642), which announced the availability of the NRT's Integrated Contingency Plan ("One Plan") Guidance.

Settlements and Consent Decrees

- "Proposed Consent Decree; Cabot Carbon/Koppers Superfund Site" June 5, 1996 (61 FR 28596)
- "Proposed Consent Decree; Union Scrap III Superfund Site" June 10, 1996 (61 <u>FR</u> 29427)
- "Proposed Consent Decree; Fisher-Calo Superfund Site" June 10, 1996 (61 <u>FR</u> 29426)

- "Consent Decrees; ABC Barrel and Drum Company Sites" June 10, 1996 (61 <u>FR</u> 29426)
- "Prospective Purchaser Agreement Settlement; Calhoun Park Area Superfund Site" June 11, 1996 (61 FR 29562)
- "Proposed <u>De Minimis</u> Settlement; Conservation Chemical Company of Illinois Superfund Site" June 12, 1996 (61 <u>FR</u> 29754)
- "Proposed Partial Consent Decree; Bohaty Drum Superfund Site" June 12, 1996 (61 FR 29763)
- "Proposed Settlement for Cost Recovery; Waukegan Paint and Lacquer Company, Inc. Superfund Site" June 13, 1996 (61 <u>FR</u> 30067)
- "Proposed Consent Decrees; United Heckathorn Superfund Site" June 13, 1996 (61 FR 30097)
- "Consent Decrees; Windsor Manor Superfund Site" June 14, 1996 (61 <u>FR</u> 30257)
- "Prospective Purchaser Agreement Settlement; Indiana Woodtreating Corporation Superfund Site" June 19, 1996 (61 FR 31110)
- "Proposed Consent Decree; Byron Barrel and Drum Superfund Site"
 June 25, 1996 (61 FR 32857)

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"Proposed Consent Decree; Bayou Bonfouca Superfund Site" June 26, 1996 (61 <u>FR</u> 33138)

"Proposed Consent Decree; Ciba-Geigy Corporation Manufacturing Plant Site" June 26, 1996 (61 <u>FR</u> 33138)

"Proposed Consent Decree; Sanitary Landfill Superfund Site" June 26, 1996 (61 <u>FR</u> 33139)



CALL ANALYSES

CALLER PROFILE

RCRA/UST Hotline

Regulated Community	4,347
Citizens	208
State & Local Govt./Native American	193
Federal Agencies	136
Educational Institutions	129
EPA	101
Media	7
Interest Groups	15
Congress .	3
International	2
Other	107
Referrals*	249
Transfers to EPCRA/Superfund Hotline*	360
Document Retrieval Line*	156
Message Retrieval Line*	1,019
TOTAL NUMBER OF CALLERS	7,032

^{*} No caller profile data available.

Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act/ Superfund Hotline

Manufacturers		Consultants/Engineers	3,092
		Attorneys	342
Food/Tobacco	90	Citizens	288
Textiles	31	Public Interest Groups	25
Apparel	23	Educational Institutions	54
Lumber & Wood	43	EPA	78
Furniture	44	Federal Agencies	145
Paper	48	GOCOs	33
Printing & Publishing	38	Congress	2
Chemicals	240	State Officials/SERC	66
Petroleum & Coal	56	Local Officials/LEPCs	41
Rubber and Plastics	74	Fire Departments	13
Leather	15	Hospitals/Laboratories	31
Stone, Clay & Glass	27	Trade Associations	17
Primary Metals	58	Union/Labor	1
Fabricated Metals	121	Farmers	8
Machinery (Excluding Electrical)	42	Distributors	25
Electrical&Electronic Equipment	59	Insurance Companies	6
Transportation Equipment	53	Media/Press	12
Instruments	25	Native Americans	7
Misc. Manufacturing	422	International	2
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		Referrals*	266
Subtotal	1,509	Transfers to RCRA/UST Hotline*	237
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		Message Retrieval Line*	403

TOTAL NUMBER OF CALLERS 6,945

^{*} No caller profile data available.

HOTLINE TOPICS

RCRA		SUBTITLE D	
RCRA GENERAL	1,028	Household Hazardous Wastes	86
SUBTITLE C	1,020	Subtitle D - General	100
Hazardous Waste Id General	1,4631	Technical Standards	20
Characteristics	6221	Industrial Wastes	16
Listings	3051	Municipal Wastes	88
Mixture Rule	85	Indian Lands	15
Derived-From	69	Financial Assurance	4
Contained-In Policy	275 ¹	Solid Waste Recycling/Markets -	20.41
Sampling	45	General	3241
Solid and Hazardous Waste Exclusions	247	Aluminum	34
Radioactive Mixed Waste	31	Batteries	14
Delisting Petions	40	Glass	11
Definition of Solid Waste/Hazardous	40	Paper	19
Waste Recycling	305 ¹	Plastics	18
Large Quantity Generators	338 ¹	Tires	15
Small Quantity Generators	214	Used Oil	30
CESQGs	128	Composting	11
Transporters	58	Procurement	75
Exports/Imports	35	Source Reduction/Pollution Prevention	
TSDFs	55	Grants and Financing	8
General Facility Standards	174	TOTAL OFFICE ON	40 4 2 44
Unit Standards	112	TOTAL QUESTIONS	10,174*
Air Emissions	8321	* Includes 2,098 RCRA document requests.	
Combustion - General	215		
BIFs	71	HOT	
Incinerators	87	UST	
Draft Strategy	15	C INT	2501
Waste Minimization	42	General/Misc.	259¹
LDR	72	Applicability/Definitions	218
Applicability	864¹	Regulated Substances	60
Notifications/Certification	106	Standards for New Tank Systems	1231
Treatment Standards	252 ¹	Tank Standards and Upgrading	1211
Permits and Permitting	139	Operating Requirements	74
State Programs	79	Release Detection	146¹
Financial Assurance	50	Release Reporting & Investigation	50
Closure/Post-Closure	76	Corrective Action for USTs	84
Corrective Action	4021	Out-of-Service/Closure	38
Enforcement	55	Financial Responsibility	138¹
Hazardous Waste Data	36	State Programs	34
Test Methods	81	Liability/Enforcement LUST Trust Fund	28 14
Indian Lands	6	LUST Trust Fund	14
Used Oil Standards	123	TOTAL OUESTIONS	1,387*
Military Munitions	9	TOTAL QUESTIONS	1,507
OTHER WASTES		* Includes 699 UST document requests.	
Ash	7		
Bevill Amendment (Mining Waste)	14		
Medical Wastes	97		
Oil and Gas	11		

¹ Hot topics for this month

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General 31' General: RMPs 45' General Title III Questions 494' List of Regulated Substances 12' Trade Secrets 27 Federal Facilities Executive Order 4	7¹ 8¹ 43
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Trade Secrets 27 Federal Facilities Executive Order 4	97
Enforcement 86	
Liability/Citizen Suits 22 TOTAL QUESTIONS 8,69	y
Training 33 *Includes 2,394 Emergency Planning and Community	
Chemical-Specific Information 62 Right-to-Know document requests	
Emergency Planning (§§301-303):	
General 147 SUPERFUND	
Notification Requirements 33	
SERC/LEPC Issues 48 General/Misc. 16	58
EHSs/TPQs 163 ¹ Access & Information Gathering 2	29
Risk Communication/ Administrative Improvements	
Hazards Analysis 19 General 15	51
Exemptions 9 Environmental Justice/Brownfields 20	31
Emergency Release Notification (§304): SACM/Presumptive Remedies	59
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TRI Expansion 143 RD/RA	19
Exemptions 351 ¹ Reauthorization	23

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Remedial	113
Removal	20
RI/FS	49
Risk Assess./Health Effects	70
ROD	37
RO	2241
Settlements	45
SITE Program	11
State Participation	6
State Program	8
TAGs	2
Taxes	7
Special Topics	
Oil Pollution Act	22
SPCC Regulations	8
Radiation Site Cleanup	24

TOTAL QUESTIONS

2,899*

TOTAL HOTLINE QUESTIONS AND DOCUMENT REQUESTS:

23,157

^{*}Includes 1,026 Superfund document requests.

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