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The Regions and ORD: Working Together to Integrate Science in Decision-Making

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ORD Laboratory/Center Acronym Glossary

NCEA National Center for Environmental Assessment
NCER National Center for Environmental Research
NERL National Exposure Research Laboratory

NHEERL National Health and Environmental Effects Research Laboratory

NRMRL National Risk Management Research Laboratory

OSP Office of Science Policy

Synopsis of Region/ORD Science Summit

September 25, 2002 Region 4 Office, Atlanta, Georgia

<u>Summit Theme</u>: Opportunities for Region/ORD collaboration to enhance the use of science in Agency decision-making.

Executive Summary:

Region 4 hosted the Region/ORD Science Summit in their RA's office in Atlanta, Georgia on September 25, 2002 (see Attachment 1: Summit Agenda). Paul Gilman, AA for ORD, and Stan Meiburg, DRA for Region 4, co-chaired the meeting, which was attended by Regional DRAs and several senior ORD and Regional executives (see Attachment 2: List of Attendees).

The meeting opened with Region 4 and ORD presentations on problem-driven science - what does it mean for the Regions and ORD. Subsequent discussion focused on the importance of building effective networks among scientists in the Regions and ORD, as well as the need to build on existing ORD programs to address Regional science problems, e.g., the Regional Applied Research Effort and Regional Methods Programs (RARE), Science to Achieve Results (STAR) grantee meetings in each Region, and the Science Results Integration Program (see A. Actions below). One DRA suggested creating a Region/ORD exchange program for scientists.

During discussion of the contributions of science to Regional decision-making, all agreed that science informs these decisions but is seldom is the sole driver. One DRA suggested that the Agency undertake an examination of past decisions to evaluate how science has been integrated, along with political, social, and economic factors, into EPA decisions.

The DRAs expressed interest in playing a larger role in the development of Agency science policy and in the appropriate use of good science in their Regions. To this end, it was decided that the DRAs in the Lead Regions for both Regional Science and Technology (RS&T) and ORD (currently Regions 2 and 4, respectively) would participate on the Science Policy Council and the DRA for Science and Technology would chair the National Regional Science Council (see also B. Actions below). The DRAs also agreed on the need to have a third DRA on the Science Policy Council and will determine the appropriate Region in the near future. These Regional assignments will be written into the Lead Region Program guidance.

Ira Leighton, Region 1 DRA, presented his Region's "Science Needs Survey" - why and how it was done and some of the key conclusions. As a result of this effort, Region 1 now has a consistent set of science priorities that it is using to influence Regional strategic planning, including a Regional consensus on the highest priority science issues it wants to work on with ORD, i.e., (1) quicker and more reliable hands-on technical support, (2) funding to support short term science/research needs that complement ORD's longer-term research, (3) a system to determine available technical expertise in the Agency, (4) a process that enables the Region to understand what products are coming out of ORD's research pipeline, and (5) greater opportunity to collaborate as partners in the STAR grants program.

The Regions expressed their interest in having a strong science advocate at EPA Headquarters and a separate budget for the RS&T program. Paul Gilman said that with documentation describing the critical role played by the RS&T program in achieving the Agency's mandates and the resources required to accomplish this role, he would take on this advocacy role. Dr. Gilman indicated that part of the solution would involve negotiations with the Program Offices regarding their appropriate roles in supporting the Regions' fiscal and technical needs (see C. Actions below).

Stan Meiburg and Paul Gilman closed the meeting with a summary of their recommended actions for addressing the Summit theme (see below). In addition, Dr. Gilman expressed his interest in working with the Regions to "get the word out" on high priority ORD science activities in their Regions. To this end, he suggested that the Regions, in addition to ORD, announce events, such as new ORD STAR grant awards, RARE successes, and collaborative EMAP projects with states.

Recommended Actions:

A. Enhancing Utility of ORD Science for the Regions

ACTION ITEMS	LEAD
1. More readily available technical support from ORD.	ORD to generate options; Must involve the Program Offices
2. Regions need a better understanding of how their problem-driven science needs feed ORD's core science program.	ORD
3. Conduct STAR grantee workshops in other Regions (modeled after upcoming event in Region 1). Similar events were requested for the Hazardous Substances Research Centers.	ORD/NCER
4. Expand the use of cooperative agreements in the STAR program to allow Regions the opportunity to participate more directly in ORD grants.	ORD/NCER
5. Additional ORD resources (beyond RARE) for developing rapid responses to major, time-critical science problems.	ORD, working with EPA Program Offices
6. Create "ORD Directory of Experts" to help build Region/ORD networks for addressing Regional science problems.	ORD
7. Fill the remaining 2 Hazardous Substances Technical Liaison positions in Regions 5 and 6.	ORD

B. Enhancing Regional Involvement in Agency Science

ACTION	LEAD
1. The Lead DRAs for both the RS&T program and ORD (currently Regions 2 and 4, respectively), and a third Region will participate as members of the Agency's Science Policy Council.	Stan Meiburg Bill Muszynski
2. The Lead DRA for the RS&T program will chair the National Regional Science Council.	Bill Muszynski
3. The Lead ORD Region will consider a Science Needs Survey similar to the one conducted by Region 1, utilizing the results for strategic planning purposes. Other Regions may do the same.	Stan Meiburg
4. Lead Regions will complete the selection of Regional representatives to the RCTs for the FY 05 research planning cycle.	Lead Region DRAs
5. The Agency needs to do 'succession planning' to prepare for the loss of scientific expertise due to the expected upcoming surge in workforce retirements.	Agency Science Advisor
6. Regions will work with ORD to identify opportunities to announce ORD grantee awards and other significant Regionspecific science events.	DRAs and ORD

C. Strengthening Regional Labs

ACTION ITEMS	LEAD
1. Issue paper on the validation of environmental methods.	Region 2 with NEIC support
2. Characterization of the critical role that the RS&T program plays in helping the Agency meet its mandates, and an analysis of resources required to conduct this important work.	Jim Wiggins with RS&T Directors support
3. With information from above, the Agency Science Advisor will become an advocate for the RS&T program, including issues related to the budget, e.g., source, location and amount.	Paul Gilman
4. A cross-Agency Chemical Advisory Committee, to parallel the Biological Advisory Committee, should be created to share information on existing chemical methods and to identify and prioritize chemical methods needs.	RS&T Directors

Attachment 1

REGION/ORD SCIENCE SUMMIT

September 25, 2002 Region 4 Office, Atlanta, Georgia

SUMMIT THEME

Opportunities for Region/ORD Collaboration to Enhance the Use of Science in Agency Decision-Making

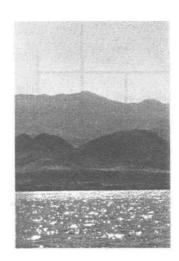
Agenda

8:30	Welcome (Stan Meiburg)
8:45	 Summit Goals - Reach Agreement on a Plan and/or Processes to: A. Enhance the utility of ORD science for Regional uses B. Ensure appropriate national consistency on science issues C. Share successful Region-specific applications of science with others (Stan Meiburg and Paul Gilman)
9:00	Problem-Driven Science - What does it mean to the Regions and ORD? > Regional case study (Elmer Akin) > ORD's problem-driven research (Bill Farland)
10:00	Break
	Where the Rubber Meets the Road: Applying Science in the Regions
10:15	A. How to make ORD Science more Useful to the Regions > Recommendations from the Regions (DRAs) > Are we hitting the mark? Can we build on our successes? (Paul Gilman and Kevin Teichman)

11:15	B. How to Use Science more Effectively in Decision-Making > Challenges and opportunities for the use of science in Regional decision-making (Ira Leighton Region I's Science Survey, Goals, and Action Plan) > Cross-Regional and ORD collaboration on science issues, e.g. risk assessment/characterization, model applications, monitoring, and peer review (Paul Gilman)
12:30	Lunch
1:30	How to Share Successful Region-Specific Applications of Science with Others (All)
2:30	Next Steps for Achieving Summit Goals (Stan Meiburg)
3:00	Adjourn



Problem-Driven Science



REGIONAL CASE STUDY ANNISTON PCB SITE

Background

Anniston is a town of about 25,000 residents in north Alabama near Birmingham. The Monsanto Company manufactured polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) at its Anniston facility from 1929 to 1971. A variety of PCB products were manufactured there under the trade name Aroclor (each product received a different number based on its chlorine content). Now recent environmental sampling has found Aroclors 1254, 1260 and 1268 to be the predominant PCB mixtures found in off-site soil and sediment samples.

The plant site is located in west Anniston, an area that has about 8,000 primarily low-income African-American residents. Much of the residential area is down gradient of the Monsanto plant and subject to temporary flooding during heavy rain events. It is believed that most of the off-site PCB contamination occurred from run-off and relocation of contaminated soil particles. However, the community believes that airborne transmission of PCBs was, and is, a major pathway of contamination in the residential areas. A number of citizen lawsuits against Monsanto (now Solutia) at various stages of litigation have hindered exposure and other investigations.

Research Opportunity

The community of west Anniston has been characterized as the most PCB-contaminated population known to exist. This characterization is based primarily on the findings of a data set of PCB blood samples taken from 2,970 clients in one lawsuit. About half had detectible PCB levels ranging as high as 2 mg/L total PCBs. There have not been any further studies on this population nor the greater west Anniston community to any significant degree.

Even though PCB manufacturing terminated in the United States in the 1970s, their widespread use and persistence in the environment has resulted in their presence in soil and sediment at many contaminated sites evaluated under the Superfund and RCRA regulatory programs. While risk-based values are available from animal studies for some Aroclors in the Agency's IRIS database, human data on many aspects of PCB exposure and toxicity are limited. This site provides research opportunities to address data gaps in the following areas:

- Determine PCB congener blood profiles in exposed populations relative to Aroclor findings in surrounding environmental media and the appropriate application of dioxin TEQ values.
- 2. In coordination with ATSDR, conduct epidemiological studies of exposed populations relative to health effect end points in children and adults.
- 3. Evaluate life stage responses to PCB exposure.
- 4. Obtain human exposure data for determining priority congeners for conducting congener-specific toxicity studies for dioxin-like and non-dioxin like mechanisms of toxicity.
- 5. Determine congener blood profiles relative to inhalation vs. oral routes of exposure and Aroclor type.

SCIENCE FOR A PURPOSE

Problem-Driven Research

 Investigations that attempt to increase understanding of and reduce uncertainties associated with identified problems of concern to EPA's Program and Regional offices



Core Research

- To improve our understanding of the fundamental mechanisms, methods, processes, databases, models, and innovative technologies
- May address a specific problem that cuts <u>across</u> GPRA Goals (i.e., multi-media)
- To understand issues that may become a potential environmental problem

Provide the best available science to support the protection of public health and safeguarding of the environment

Goal 1

Research Activity	Lab/Center	Description	Completed/Estimated Completion
Air Quality Model Development	NERL	Development of air quality models for PM, ozone, and air toxics that can be used by States in the development and evaluation of control strategies.	Ongoing
Emissions Models and Methods	NRMRL	Development of methods and models to estimate emissions. These emission estimates are used by States and Regions to develop inventories and as input to air quality models.	Ongoing
IRIS Assessments	NCEA	Development of cancer and non-cancer dose-response assessments that States and Regions can use for risk assessments.	Ongoing
Monitoring Methods	NERL	Development of ambient monitoring methods, including a Federal Reference Method for PM, that can be used to determine whether areas are in attainment of NAAQS and to determine ambient concentrations of a variety of pollutants.	Ongoing

Goal 2

Research Activity	Lab/Center	Description	Completed/Estimated Completion
Beach Monitoring Study Report	NERL	The final report will describe the results of a comprehensive beach monitoring study conducted to evaluate various beach monitoring protocols, e.g., time of day, distance from shore, sample depth, etc.	December 2002
National Epidemiological and Environmental Assessment of Recreational Water Study	NERL/ NHEERL	Objectives are to develop a new generation of microbial indicators; conduct a series of epidemiologic studies to determine which microbial indicators are the best indicators of health risk; and develop a relationship between those indicators and health risk that can be used to develop new water quality criteria. This research is a high priority for regional Beach Program and WQS Coordinators.	2006
BEACH Program Coordinators Calls and Meetings	NERL/ NHEERL	ORD scientists participate in monthly BEACH Program calls with HQs and Regional staff. Research plans and results are communicated and technical questions are answered. Scientists also participate in program meetings.	Ongoing
TMDL Program	NERL/ NHEERL/ NRMRL/ NCEA	Technical support includes participation of ORD scientists in workgroups, such as the WARSS workgroup to address science issues associated with using geomorphological techniques, leading conference calls to discuss water quality modeling research and support, and assistance on specific TMDLs, such as the New York/New Jersey Harbor pathogens TMDL. Numerous research projects are underway to address needs identified by the NRC report and the "Twenty Needs Report" prepared by OWOW. Examples include methodologies for developing criteria for sedimentation and embedded sediment, research on improving water quality models, and BMP effectiveness studies.	Research: 2002 - 2008 Technical Support: ongoing

Goal 2 [continued]

Research Activity	Lab/Center	Description	Completed/Estimated Completion
Aquatic Life Ambient Water Quality Criteria. Dissolved Oxygen Criteria (Saltwater): Cape Cod to Cape Hatteras	NHEERL	Scientists from AED developed dissolved oxygen (DO) criteria to protect saltwater organisms from the effects of low DO. This criteria is innovative in that it protects specific life stages and also integrates exposure over time using a modeling framework rather than the historically applied duration/frequency concept. AED is currently assisting Region III/Chesapeake Bay Program Office in applying the DO criteria to the Bay to ensure protection of Bay-specific designated uses. The approach used in the Bay to implement the DO criteria will set a precedent for other regions to follow.	2000 and ongoing support to apply it regionally (Chesapeake Bay) and other coastal water of the US
Dissolved Oxygen Criteria (Saltwater): Cape cod to Cape Hatteras		Established joint projects pertaining to small community wastewater treatment systems in Region 7: "Advanced Monitoring of Constructed Wetlands Performance in Nebraska" with the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, and "Application of Biological Aerated Filters to Meet NPDES Ammonia Limits for Small Communities" with lowa State University.	Bay and other U.S. coastal water
Wastewater Treatment Technology Assistance	NRMRL	Established joint projects pertaining to small community wastewater treatment systems in Region 7: "Advanced Monitoring of Constructed Wetlands Performance in Nebraska" with the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, and "Application of Biological Aerated Filters to Meet NPDES Ammonia Limits for Small Communities" with lowa State University.	
Mountaintop Removal Assessment	NERL	Provided Region 3 with data for EIS approval process	Completed
South Fork Broad River Monitoring Study	NERL	Provide Region 4 with fecal indicator rain event data to evaluate models	September 2004
Innovative Treatment of CAFO Wastewater Region 4	NRMRL	Established projects with the Tennessee Valley Authority's Environmental Research Center in Muscle Shoals, Alabama to evaluate the ability of TVA's ReCiprocating Wetland system to treat CAFO wastewater.	

Goal 2 [continued]

Research Activity	Lab/Center	Description	Completed/Estimated Completion
Urban Stream Restoration Region 5	NRMRL	Participate in a joint project with the Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District (NEORSD) pertaining to Progress Indicators and End Points to Guide Urban Stream Restoration Efforts. The NEORSD is leveraging our funding with 319 funding from Ohio EPA to develop guidelines.	Ongoing
Small Drinking Water Systems Treatment Technology	NRMRL	Research is being conducted to address the treatment technology needs of small systems, including treatment for arsenic, protozoans and MTBE. NRMRL also provides technical support to the regions. Example projects include field evaluation of small mobile package systems in Region 1, assistance in Puerto Rico, coordination with Region 5 on technology evaluations for systems contaminated with low concentrations of MTBE, and collaboration with Region 8 to develop a handbook for small systems.	Research: 2004-2007 Technical Support: Ongoing
Drinking Water Technical Support to Region 3	NRMRL	Aided in evaluating a Metro DC microbial contamination problem and helped to initiate a remote telemetry project. Implemented corrective action related to Coliform sp. violations in the Washington DC Water and Sewer Authority (WASA) water distribution system. As a result, a world-wide-web remote monitoring system on the DC distribution system was set-up through a collaborative effort among the WASA, Region and NRMRL.	Completed
Drinking Water Distribution System Technical Assistance	NRMRL	Example projects include coordinating with a small community in Region 9 to evaluate the water treatment disinfectant process to destroy and/or inactivate pathogenic organisms and to evaluate subsequent water quality problems associated with chloramination in a distribution system. Provided on-site assistance to several communities in Region 10 on corrosion-related problems and ways to mitigate impacts.	Ongoing

Goal 3

Research Activity	Lab/Center	Description	Completed/Estimated Completion
Report - Database of Body Burden Measurements of Pesticides and Toxic Chemicals	NCEA	Support future analysis of aggregate exposure and risk	2002
NHANES-Guidance for Use of Data in Risk Assessment	NCEA	Develop general guidance on how to access and use health and nutritional data from the National Health and Nutrition Examination Surveys to provide useful information for EPA risk assessment and policy needs.	
Children's Pesticide Exposure Measurement Program	NERL	Develop protocol for conducting an exposure analysis of ORD children's pesticide studies for all relevant pathways (includes EDCs, see Goals 8.2 and 8.3)	2002
		Develop protocol for conducting an assessment addressing critical aggregate exposure pathways: inhalation, dermal absorption, non-dietary exposure	2003
	Peer reviewed design for children's aggregate exposure field study (includes EDCs, see Goals 8.2 and 8.3)	2003	
		Complete and report results of field monitoring study of CTEPP (Children's Total Exposure to Pesticides and Other Persistent Pollutants) to evaluate aggregate exposures of 260 young children in homes and daycare centers to persistent organic pollutants (Also Goals 8.2 and 8.3)	2003-2005

Goal 3 [continued]

Research Activity	Lab/Center	Description	Completed/Estimated Completion
Children's Pesticide Exposure Modeling Program (See Goal 8.2)	NERL	Upgrade and linkage of SHEDS and ERDEM models to allow user to characterize children exposure to dose linkages	2002-2004
(300 400)		Analysis and report on factors for children's exposure that may lead to high-level, short-term exposure, with updates to Exposure Factor's Handbook	2003
		Modeling analysis of children's studies results to identify key uncertainties and critical data gaps associated with children's exposure to pesticides and other environmental contaminants	2004
		Analysis of existing children's exposure data for cumulative exposure to pesticides and other environmental contaminants	2007
Longitudinal Activity/ Dietary Consumption Survey	ALL	Collection of longitudinal activity and dietary consumption data on subpopulations (e.g., children, elderly) for modeling daily and seasonal variability inherent in human activities and dietary consumption patterns. This research will produce data that are not captured in previous and planned dietary or population surveys.	2005

Goal 4

Research Activity	Lab/Center	Description	Completed/Estimated Completion
Agricultural Health Study - Pesticide Exposure Study	NERL	NCI/NIEHS/EPA are currently performing a prospective epidemiological study of health on applicators and family members. NERL will produce data to evaluate NCI algorithms for assessing farm applicator exposures using questionnaires	2003-2005
Spray Drift Modeling	NERL	Update AgDrift/AGDISP to include orchard blast application, secondary volatilization, and transport	2004-2007
Ecological Modeling for Risk Assessment	NERL	Update PRZM, EXAMS, BASS modeling modules with improved user interfaces	2002-2004
Chiral Pesticides Methods	NERL	Advanced methods for measuring chiral pesticide and enhanced understanding of their fate and transport through the environment	2002-2004

Goal 5

Research Activity	Lab/Center	Description	Completed/Estimated Completion
Methods for Air Toxic VOCs	NERL	NERL, EPA is using Regional Methods Program funding to review the CDPHE method and to develop EPA guidance on methods to determine the concentration of toxic vapors in buildings near contaminated groundwater.	2003
Organotin Research Support to Region 4	NERL	An organotin manufacturing plant in South Carolina was suspected of being responsible for a major fish kill in one of its streams and poisoning of a municipal wastewater treatment plant. NERL applied a new analytical approach developed in-house to detect both dibutyl- and tributyl- tin compounds in water and fish from the affected stream for the state.	2000
Environmental Forensics for Regions	NERL	Ion Composition Elucidation (ICE), a high resolution mass spectrometry technique developed at NERL/LV, has helped identify sources of pollution in several Regions.	1996-2002
Evaluation of Fate and Transport of Gasoline Components in Long Island Aquifers	NERL	Information used by the state to develop improved approaches to site assessment.	Some calculators completed; others in 2006 with completion of field data evaluation system
Contaminated Sediments Fate and Transport Modeling	NERL	Technical assistance provided to the Region 1 RPM on the Housatonic River Superfund Site.	Ongoing
Contaminated Sediments Fate and Transport Modeling Research	NERL	Evaluation of existing contaminated sediment mass fate and transport models (FYo3) in support of remedy selection and evaluation.	2003-2005
Site-Specific Technical Support	NERL	See Section IV.F. of the briefing book on ORD's Technical Support Centers	Ongoing
Sample Holding Time Re-evaluation	NERL	In response to Regional requests, several reports are being prepared to describe results of research to reevaluate sample holding times.	2005

Goal 5 [continued]

Research Activity	Lab/Center	Description	Completed/Estimated Completion
Operational and Long-term Monitoring at the New Bedford Harbor (NBH) Superfund Site	NHEERL	Over the last 15 years, AED scientists, in conjunction with EPA Region I and others, have developed and participated in, multiple operational and long-term monitoring programs at the NBH site. Collectively, these monitoring and associated research activities (e.g., PCB bioaccumulation) have provided EPA Region I with state-of-the-art techniques to most effectively and safely manage this \$350 million remediation.	Ongoing
Technical Assistance to Region 1	NHEERL	Consultation and research on TCDD and hexachlorozanthene bioaccumulation and toxicity (Centerdale, North Providence, RI)	2002
		Performed sediment TIE to determine causes of toxicity in contaminated sediments (Eastland Woolen Mills, Maine)	2002
Technical Assistance to Region 2	NHEERL	Hyde Park and other sites in Niagara Falls, NY, Region 2. Human health effects of dioxin-like chemicals for Lake Ontario	1993
		Long term studies of bioaccumulation and ecological effects of dioxin-like chemicals in Lake Ontario	2003
Technical Assistance to Region 4	NHEERL	Consultation on PCB ecological effects issues (Solutia-Anniston, AL)	2002
		Consultation for TCDD TRV: reviewed papers and provided technical guidance on selection of study	2002
Fox River/Green Bay Mass Balance Modeling	NHEERL	Developed a modeling framework, In-place Pollutant eXport (IPX), that simulated contaminated sediment transport as a function of physical parameters controlling sediment settling and resuspension. The framework withstood extensive review and provided forecasts to evaluate remediation alternatives for the Fox River Superfund site.	1995
		Technology transfer of modeling technology to OERR scientists and site managers for application to other high priority sites	2003

Goal 6

Research Activity	Development of an assessment of the consequences of climate change and variability in the Gulf Coast id-Atlantic NCEA Development of an assessment of the Development of an assessment of the	Completed/Estimated Completion	
Gulf Coast Assessment	NCEA	consequences of climate change and variability	2004, 2008
Mid-Atlantic Assessment	NCEA	Development of an assessment of the consequences of climate change and variability in the Mid-Atlantic	2004, 2008
Great Lakes Assessment	NCEA	Development of an assessment of the consequences of climate change and variability in the Great Lakes	2004, 2008

Goal 8.3

Research Activity	Lab/Center	Description	Completed/Estimated Completion
Methods Development	NERL	Methods for measuring and quantifying alkylphenols are being developed in collaboration with RARE project with Regions 3 and 5	2003
Molecular Indicators of Exposure	NERL	DNA microarrays are being developed for characterizing first order effects associated with exposures to estrogen-like EDCs	2003-2005
		Training will be conducted for Regional Offices and methods will be used to characterize ecological exposures	2003
Field Studies Characterizing Extent of Ecological EDC	NERL	NERL is collaborating with Region 4 and NRMRL to characterize EDC exposures at Lake Hartwell, GA	2002-2003
Exposures		NERL is collaborating with NRMRL on a variety of wastewater treatment plants throughout the US, characterizing the extent of EDC exposures from these facilities	2002-2003
		NERL is collaborating with NHEERL and Canada exploring effects of EDC exposures in dosed Canadian lakes	2003
Field Studies to Characterize Children's Exposures to EDCs	NERL	Develop protocol for conducting an exposure analysis of ORD children's pesticide studies for all relevant pathways (includes EDCs, see Goals 8.2 and 8.3)	2002
		Peer reviewed design for children's aggregate exposure field study (includes EDCs, see Goals 8.2 and 8.3)	2002
		Complete and report results of field monitoring study of CTEPP (Children's Total Exposure to Pesticides and Other Persistent Pollutants) to evaluate aggregate exposures of 260 young children in homes and daycare centers to persistent organic pollutants (Also Goal 8.2)	2004-2005
EDC Workshop with ORD and Region 4	NRMRL	Produce a status report on the performance of Continuous Emission Monitors (CEMs) used to measure total gas-phase mercury and mercury speciation based on both lab and field testing.	2003

Goal 8.1

Research Activity	Lab/Center	Description	Completed/Estimated Completion
EMAP/R-EMAP/ NERL WEMAP	NERL	The primary aim of EMAP is to develop the technology to evaluate status and trends in aquatic resources nationally, and to work with EPA Regional Offices and other Federal agencies to demonstrate and implement monitoring. To this point, nearly all of EMAP's emphasis has been on monitoring applications in eastern regions of the U.S. And we anticipate that landscape/surface and coastal water relationships will be different in different regions of the country, especially in the western U.S. where topographical and climate are quite variable.	Ongoing
ReVA	NERL	The Regional Vulnerability Assessment (ReVA) program is an approach to regional scale, priority-setting assessment being developed by EPA's Office of Research and Development (ORD) ReVA will expand cooperation among the laboratories and centers of ORD, by integrating research on human and environmental health, ecorestoration, landscape analysis, regional exposure and process modeling, problem formulation, and ecological risk guidelines.	Ongoing

Goal 8.2

Research Activity	characterizing NERL Develop protocol for conducting an exposure analysis of ORD children's pesticide studies for all relevant pathways (includes EDCs, see Goals 8.2 and 8.3) Peer reviewed design for children's aggregate exposure field study (includes EDCs, see Goals 8.2 and 8.3) Complete and report results of field monitoring study of CTEPP (Children's Total Exposure to Pesticides and Other Persistent Pollutants) to evaluate aggregate exposures of 260 young children in homes and daycare centers to persistent organic pollutants (Also Goal 8.2)	Completed/Estimated Completion	
Characterizing Children's Aggregate and Cumulative Exposures to Environmental	NERL	analysis of ORD children's pesticide studies for all relevant pathways (includes EDCs, see	2002
Contaminants		exposure field study (includes EDCs, see Goals	2002
		study of CTEPP (Children's Total Exposure to Pesticides and Other Persistent Pollutants) to evaluate aggregate exposures of 260 young children in homes and daycare centers to	2003-2005
Exposure Methods	NERL		2002-2005
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		Rapid array technologies for characterizing exposures to microbiologicals and other environmental contaminants	2002-2007

Goal 8.2 [continued]

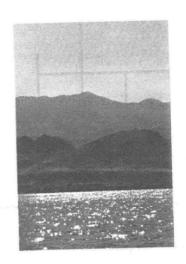
Research Activity	Lab/Center	Description	Completed/Estimated Completion
Exposure Modeling	NERL	Upgrade and linkage of SHEDS and ERDEM	2002-2004
(See Goal 3)		models to allow user to characterize children exposure to dose linkages	2003
		Analysis and report on factors for children's exposure that may lead to high-level, short-term exposure, with updates to Exposure Factor's Handbook	2004
		Modeling analysis of children's studies results to identify key uncertainties and critical data gaps associated with children's exposure to pesticides and other environmental contaminants	2007
		Analysis of existing children's exposure data for cumulative exposure to pesticides and other environmental contaminants	2002-2003
		Analysis of data and modeling needs for assessing cumulative exposures	2004-2007
		Case studies to collect exposure data to address model development needs for addressing cumulative exposures	2004-2005
		Draft source to dose modeling framework with enhanced modeling modules for the various human compartments	2002-2007
		Updated exposure databases (HEDS, CHAD) describing children and other susceptible subpopulations exposures to environmental contaminants and key factors influencing these exposures	
NCER RFA That Closed on July 10, 2002, Entitled "Lifestyle and Cultural Practices of Tribal Populations and Risks from Toxic Substances in the Environment	NCER	This solicitation invites applications in two areas of current interest, the development of: 1) exposure and effects assessment methods that can be broadly applied across geographic regions and Tribal populations and 2) risk management strategies and options that will lead to reduction in risk from exposure. NCER expects to fund 3 to 4 projects which generally run 2 to 3 years.	Ongoing

Goal 8.4

Research Activity	Lab/Center	Description	Completed/Estimated Completion
Pollution Prevention Regional Workshops	NRMRL	The Office of Research and Development published "An Organizational Guide to Pollution Prevention" (EPA/625/R-01/003) in August of 2001. In conjunction with this new document, ORD/NRMRL is sponsoring a series of interactive Workshops (one per Region) based on the principles and concepts produced in the Guide. ORD works in conjunction with each Region to customize the Workshop to address items of interest to the Region.	Regions 4, 7-10 completed August 2001- August 2002; Regions 1, 2, 3, and 5 will be held in 2003.
ETV Program	NRMRL	EPA and the Coast Guard signed a MOA to verify environmental technologies that address invasive species and are of mutual interest to both agencies.	June 2001



Solutions Through Science





ORD And The Regions: Providing Solutions Through Science

Collaboration with Local Scientists

Because a spatially extensive network of stream reference sites throughout the country did not exist, the EPA, along with other federal and state agencies, was not able to accurately evaluate the biological health of aquatic systems.

 Tina Laidlaw, Region 8 Water Quality Monitoring, Colorado

ORD is working to complete this network by 2004 through its Science to Achieve Results (STAR) extramural research program at Utah State and Michigan State Universities. For example, STAR grantee Charles Hawkins at Utah State University is working directly with Region 8 to establish an extensive network of stream reference sites throughout the country. Region 8 has been collecting data in South Dakota, Colorado and Montana in support of this effort. The expected outcome of this project will lead to the development of a national aquatic ecosystem classification for stream reference conditions, and allow for a more accurate and comparable evaluation of the biological health of aquatic systems across the country. Also as a result of Dr. Hawkins' extraordinary work, Region 8 and the Office of Water will co-fund the Western Regional Bioassessment Center at Utah State University. This Center will facilitate and improve interagency coordination with respect to western bioassessments, conduct Region-specific research and offer technical assistance to states and tribes.

Region-Initiated Research Efforts

In the 1990s, Region 7's monitoring had indicated that pollution from charcoal kilns, previously exempted from Missouri's air pollution emission requirements, could significantly impact nearby residents.

– Art Spratlin, Region 7, Director of the Air, RCRA and Toxics Division

For assistance, Region 7 utilized ORD's Regional Applied Research Program (RARE), which provides each Region the opportunity to conduct high-priority research of its choosing through an ORD Lab or Center. In this case, a laboratory-scale charcoal kiln simulator was created to help characterize the chemical and physical properties of these emission plumes. Data from the simulator allowed Region 7 and Missouri to conclude that emission controls on charcoal kilns were necessary. Today, charcoal kiln operators are

complying with the requirements to control and reduce these emissions. It is anticipated that by 2004, more than 1 million pounds of particulates and other toxic air pollutants will be eliminated from the Missouri Ozark Region.

Regional Science Workshops

Invasive species, including those in ballast water discharges, are adversely impacting Region 10's ability to maintain the quality of its estuaries, successfully restore wetlands, and to increase endangered species populations.

 Elbert Moore, Region 10, Director, Office of Ecosystems and Communities

To help raise awareness about invasive species and identify related scientific issues, ORD worked with four Regions to develop their own workshops and followed up with an overall National workshop. This educational effort provided participants with a cross-Agency network they rely on to support their own Regional efforts and helped identify the unique skills EPA brings to invasive species research. The EPA Nonindigenous Species Working Group was also formed, which has coordinated Agency responses to the federal cross-agency council on this topic and provided direct technical assistance to Regional offices.

Superfund Site Cleanup – Technical Support Acid mine drainage severely impacts stream quality at numerous mine sites throughout the Western United States. This problem had affected the aquatic habitat in French Creek and the Blue River, largely eliminating the trout population near the resort town of Breckenridge, Colorado.

- Victor Ketellapper, Region 8, Regional Project Manager

To assist, Region 8 called in ORD's Engineering Technical Support Center to evaluate and develop a low-cost treatment system. ORD evaluated a variety of treatment options and recommended a lime lagoon treatment that will effectively remove the acid mine drainage and restore the trout habitat. This solution will allow the Town of Breckenridge and Summit County to purchase

more than 1,800 acres of land from the mining company so that this critical habitat can be preserved as open space. In addition to its



technical support centers, ORD's assistance is directed through its Hazardous Substances Research Centers and the Hazardous Substances Technical Liaison Program.

Ecosystem Priority Identification/Effectiveness Measurement

Until recently, most state monitoring programs were not designed to generate the kind of data necessary to satisfactorily meet several of the reporting requirements under the Clean Water Act.

– All EPA Regions

Through its Environmental Monitoring and Assessment Program (EMAP), ORD and Regional scientists worked together to develop sampling programs and bioassays to measure the condition of aquatic ecosystems. In the Mid-Atlantic Integrated Assessment, an on-site ORD team collaborated with Regional staff to complete the first unbiased assessment of water ecosystems in the area. Results from the assessment were key in planning priorities for the Region. Another EMAP program, the Western Pilot Study, uses similar techniques to assess water systems in 14 states. This five-year study will provide reports highlighting the ecological condition of water resources and transfer monitoring technology to national, regional, state and tribal personnel. As a result of this research, more states are incorporating EMAP sampling design and ecological methods into their monitoring programs.

Local, State and Regional Monitoring The state of Nebraska realized that its water-monitoring program worked from an organizational standpoint. However, the method used showed there were water quality problems in a disproportionately large percentage of the state's waters. – Nebraska, Region 7

For more accurate results, the state began using ORD's Regional EMAP (R-EMAP) approach in 1997. Using an EMAP statistical sampling design, scientists selected and monitored random stream segments. The state discovered a significant trend toward improved water clarity in the areas sampled, correcting the previous negatively biased reports.

New Technology Application

In early 2002, scientists and officials in the San Francisco Bay area suspected endocrine disrupting chemicals (EDCs) in wastewater discharges were affecting Bay fish.

- San Francisco Bay, Region 9

Through its Science Results Integration Initiative, ORD scientists worked with the local team to provide the latest information on the potential effects of EDCs. They identified several exposure bioassays under ORD development, conducted a hands-on technology demonstration, and provided training on basic molecular biology concepts and microbial source tracking. Region 9 now has a better understanding of the issue and can provide long-term improvements in water quality by incorporating new technologies. ORD looks forward to providing similar results on all levels – regional, state and tribal – as it continues the rollout of this initiative.

Methods Development

Excessive sedimentation is one of the primary sources of stream degradation in many EPA Regions. Even though sediments are one of the most common pollutants on impaired water body lists, the methods to quantitatively analyze and assess this property are lacking.

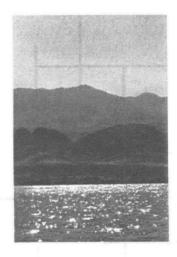
- All EPA Regions

Under ORD's Regional Methods Program, the Regions requested that ORD develop an Excess Sediment Index. By using this information, Regions will be able to quantitatively and more accurately measure the changes in stream channel morphology and sedimentation. In Region 3, this protocol has been used to investigate sedimentation problems related to streams impacted by both mountaintop/valley fill and longwall coal mining. By 2004, Region 10 will have more than 1,000 sites collecting quantitative physical habit data (including sedimentation) as part of its R-EMAP program.





Region Science



REGIONAL SCIENCE LIAISONS (RSLS) TO ORD

Regional Science Liaisons (RSLs) are Regional scientists who manage, implement and facilitate ORD's Regional Science Program. This program provides ORD with a clear understanding of the Regions' high-priority science issues and research needs. It supports the planning and conduct of this research and assists in applying ORD science results to risk assessment and decision-making for the Regions, states and tribes:

The RSL is responsible for leading the planning and conduct of Regional Science Topic Workshops, administering the Regional Applied Research Effort (RARE) program, and supporting the development of Regional input to the annual research planning process. He/She is expected to communicate science to the Regions, states and tribes through a variety of other mechanisms. Job tasks include coordinating visits and presentations by ORD scientists, working with STAR grant recipients, facilitating guest lectures, and organizing science fairs and training courses.

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HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES TECHNICAL LIAISON PROGRAM (HSTLP)

The Hazardous Substances Technical Liaison Program (HSTLP) was created in 1990 as a joint effort among ORD, the Regions and the Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response (OSWER). The program's goals are to expand the technical support available to Regional staff and promote the incorporation of sound science and technology in Regional OSWER decisions and actions.

To accomplish these goals, there are Hazardous Substances Technical Liaisons (HSTLs) assigned to

one of eight Regions (Regions 1-4 and 7-10). These key personnel provide technical assistance, advice and training to the Regional OSWER staff and management. Among their tasks, they organize and facilitate workshops to address the Regions' high-priority science and technology issues, such as the recent "Decision Support Tools Workshop" and "Natural Attenuation of Groundwater Contamination Workshop."

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Science to Achieve Results (STAR) Research Grant Program

EPA's Science to Achieve Results (STAR) program funds research grants and graduate fellowships in numerous science and engineering disciplines. It allows the EPA to collaborate with the nation's best scientists and engineers on a local level, engaging them in targeted research to meet each Region's own high-priority needs.

Each year the agency receives about 3,000 to 3,500 STAR proposals, which undergo a competitive solicitation process and peer review. Out of those proposals, STAR typically awards 150 research grants and 40 joint research grants (with other federal and private-sector partners). This reach extends to approximately 280 universities and non-profit research institutions in all states, Guam, Puerto Rico and the District of Columbia.

Annually, EPA manages 500-600 active research grants and 300 fellowships. STAR partnerships have addressed a wide variety of environmental concerns since the program's inception in 1995. Today, it focuses on the health effects of particulate matter, drinking water, water quality, global change, ecosystem assessment and restoration, human health risk assessment, endocrine disrupting chemicals, pollution prevention and new technologies, children's health and socio-economic research.

Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR)

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is one of 10 federal agencies that participate in the SBIR Program established by the Small Business Innovation Development Act of 1982. The purpose of this Act was to strengthen the role of small businesses in federally funded R&D and help develop a stronger national base for technical innovation. Joint ventures and limited partnerships are eligible for SBIR awards, provided the entity created qualifies as a small business.

EPA issues annual solicitations for Phase I and Phase II research proposals from science and technology-based firms. EPA uses this phased approach to help determine whether the research idea, often on high-risk advanced concepts, is technically feasible, whether the firm can do high-quality research, and whether sufficient progress has been made to justify a larger Phase II effort. Research topics include nanotechnology and pollution prevention, water and air pollution control, management of solid and hazardous waste, environmental monitoring and measurement, and bioterrorism detection and decontamination.

Under Phase I, the scientific merit and technical feasibility of the proposed concept is investigated. EPA plans to award firm-fixed-price Phase I contracts of \$80,000 with up to 10 months performance periods. Phase II contracts are limited to small businesses that have successfully completed Phase I. The objective of Phase II is to further develop and commercialize the concept proven feasible in Phase I. Competitive awards are based on the results of Phase I, the Phase II workplan and the commercialization potential of the Phase II technology. EPA plans to conduct the Phase II solicitation during Phase I and award Phase II contracts of \$225,000 or \$325,000 at the end of the Phase I contract period.

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1	68D00209 <u>SBIR</u>	Gas Turbine Engine Performance Monitor for Reduced Emissions	Markham, James R.	Advanced Fuel Research Inc.	Manager, SBIR Program	\$224,946	January 2000 - January 2002	СТ
4	68D02004 <u>SBIR</u>	Low-Cost Mercury Sorbents Derived From Waste Tires	Wojtowicz, Marek	Advanced Fuel Research Inc.	Manager, SBIR Program	\$69,999	January 2002 - January 2002	СТ
5	68D01012 <u>SBIR</u>	Cryptosporidium Detection System	Fernandez, Salvador M.	Clencia Inc.	Manager, SBIR Program	\$70,000	January 2001 - January 2001	СТ
8	R828174 <u>Grant</u>	Tracking Persistent Organic Pollutants (POPs) Through Blotic and Abiotic Processes in the Environment	Mattina, Mary; Jane Incorvia; Eitzer, Brian; Simon, Ted	Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station	Shapiro, Paul	\$194,622	January 2000 - June 2002	СТ
9	R829405 <u>Grant</u>	Mechanistic Role of Plant Root Exudates in the Phytoremediation of Persistent Organic Pollutants	White, Jason C.; Gage, Daniel J.; Gent, Martin P.N.; Mattina, Mary; Jane Incorvia; Smets, Barth F.	Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station, University of Connecticut	Lasat, Mitch	\$401,241	January 2001 - October 2004	СТ
11	68D02027 <u>SBIR</u>	Nanofibrous Manganese Dioxide for Volatile Organic Compounds	Xiao, Danny	Inframat Corporation	Manager, SBIR Program	\$70,000	January 2002 - January 2002	СТ
15		Microbiological and Physicochemical Aspects of Mercury Cycling in the Coastal/Estuarine Waters of Long Island Sound and Its River-Seawater Mixing Zones	Fitzgerald, William F.; Visscher, Pi ete r T.	University of Connecticut	Stelz, Bill	\$592,035	January 1999 - September 2002	СТ
16	R828170 <u>Grant</u>	Control of Mercury Emissions from Coal-Fired Power Plants	Helble, Joseph J.; Sarofim, Adel F.	University of Connecticut, University of Utah	Shapiro, Paul	\$224,642	January 2000 - June 2002	СТ
17		Soot, Precursor Particle and Higher Hydrocarbon Production in Flames	Pfefferle, Lisa; Fillipov, Andrei; McEnally, Charles	Yale University	Shapiro, Paul	\$224,170	January 2000 - July 2002	СТ
18	U915764 <u>Fellow</u>	Culturing Urban Ecology: Strategic Linkages of Environment and Cultural Identity in Urban River Restoration, The Upper Bagmati Basin, Kathmandu, Nepal	Rademacher, Anne M.	Yale University	Edwards, Jason	,	January 2000 - January 2003	СТ

19	68D01007 <u>SBIR</u>	Remote Sensing Instrument for On-Road Heavy-Duty Dieset NOx and PM Emissions	McManus, J. Barry	Aerodyne Research Inc.	Manager, SBIR Program	\$70,000	January 2001 - January 2001	MA
20	68D00270 <u>SBIR</u>	A Noncryogenic Tunable Diode Laser Monitor for On- Road Vehicle Emissions	Nelson, David D.	Aerodyne Research Inc.	Manager, SBIR Program	\$224,899	January 2000 - January 2002	MA
21	68D99030 <u>SBIR</u>	A Noncryogenic Tunable Diode Laser Monitor for On- Road Vehicle Emissions	Nelson, David D.	Aerodyne Research Inc.	Manager, SBIR Program	\$70,000	January 1999 - January 2000	MA
22	68D02009 <u>8BIR</u>	The Application of MASC Technology to the Problem of Contaminant Monitoring for the Water and Wastewater Industries	Orser, Cindy S.	Arete Technologies	Manager, SBIR Program	\$70,000	January 2002 - January 2002	MA
25	R828824 <u>Grant</u>	Determinants of Environmental Compliance: Plant, Firm, and Enforcement Factors	Gray, Wayne B.; Shadbegian, Ronald J.	Clark University	Carrillo, Susan	\$276,883	January 2001 - April 2004	MA
27	68D99041 <u>SBIR</u>	Aluminate-Silicate-Based Antifouling Coatings	Walsh, M. Alex	E Paint Company	Manager, SBIR Program	\$70,000	January 1999 - January 2000	MA
28	68D00272 <u>SBIR</u>	Aluminum-Silicate-Based Antifouling Ceating	Walsh, M. Alex	E Paint Company	Manager, SBIR Program	\$225,000	January 2000 - January 2002	MA
29	R828596 <u>Grant</u>	Casa de Salud: A Model For Engaging Community	Frishman, Kay Berthold; Dee, Serena; Latowsky, Gretchen	Family Service Inc.	Fields, Nigel	\$792,383	January 2000 - October 2004	MA
31	68D01054 <u>SBIR</u>	Reduced Cost Sewer Pipe Relining Using Ultrasonic Tape Lamination	Roylance, Margaret E.	Foster-Miller Inc.	Manager, SBIR Program	\$224,867	January 2001 - January 2003	MA
33	68D00239 <u>SBIR</u>	Permanent Primer/Replaceable Toposat Aircraft Coating System With Minimum VOC and Chromium Exposure	Kovar, Robert F.	Foster-Miller Inc.	Manager, SBIR Program	\$69,935	January 2000 - January 2001	MA
34	68D02024 <u>SBIR</u>	Environmentally Compliant Corrosion-Activated Inhibitor System for Aluminum Alloys	Doregy, William	Foster-Miller Inc.	Manager, SBIR Program	\$69,978	January 2002 - January 2002	MA
35	R827447 <u>Grant</u>	Mechanisms of Age-dependent Ozone Induced Airway Dysfunction	Shore, Stephanie; Laporte, Johanne; Murthy, G.G. Krishna; Want, Matt; Johnston, Richard	Harvard School of Public Health	Deener, Kacee	\$852,937	January 1999 - June 2002	MA
3 6	R828036 <u>Grant</u>	Mycobacterium avium Complex in Drinking Water: Detection, Distribution, and Routes of Exposure	Ford, Timothy E.; Arbeit, Robert D.	Harvard School of Public Health, Boston University	Nott-Helms, Cynthia	\$ 516,679	January 2000 - January 2003	MA
37	R829437 <u>Grant</u>	Dioxins, Male Pubertal Development and Testis Function	Hauser, Russ	Harvard School of Public Health	Reese, David H.	\$2,252,427	January 2001 - November 2005	MA

38	R827353C001 <u>Centers</u>	Ambient Particle Health Effects: Exposure, Susceptibility, and Mechanisms	Koutrakis, Petros; Brain, Joseph D.; Burge, Harriet A.; Butler, James P.; Catalano, Paul; Christiani, David; Dockery, Douglas W.; Evans, John J.; Gold, Diane R.; Graham, John; Hammitt, James K.; Kelsey, Karl; Kobzik, Lester; Schwartz, Joel; Speigler, John D.; Stone, Peter; Suh, Helen H.; Verrier, Richard; Ware, James	Harvard University	Katz, Stacey; Robarge, Gail	\$7,747,040	January 1999 - May 2004	MA
	R827353C002 Centers	Quantifying Exposure Error and its Effect on Epidemiological Studies	Suh, Helen H.	Harvard University	Katz, Stacey; Robarge, Gall	\$7,747,040	January 1999 - May 2004	MA
	R827353C003 <u>Centers</u>	Differentiating Health Effects of Particles from Outdoor and Indoor Sources	Gold, Diane R.; Stone, Peter	Harvard University	Katz, Stacey; Robarge, Gall	\$7,747,040	January 1999 - May 2004	MA
STATES.	R827353C004 <u>Centers</u>	Examining Conditions in the Elderly Which Predispose Towards Acute Adverse Effects of Particulate Exposures	Schwartz, Joel	Harvard University	Katz, Stacey; Robarge, Gail	\$7,747,040	Januar y 1999 - May 2004	MA
-	R827353C005 <u>Centers</u>	Assessing Life-Shortening Associated with Exposure to Particulate Matter	Schwartz, Joel	Harvard University	Katz, Stacey; Robarge, Gail	\$7,747,040	January 1999 - May 2004	MA
1000,000	R827353C006 <u>Centers</u>	Investigating Chronic Effects of Exposure to Particulate Matter	Dockery, Douglas W.	Harvard University	Katz, Stacey; Robarge, Gall	\$7,747,040	January 1999 - May 2004	MA
	R827353C008 <u>Centers</u>	Differentiating the Roles of Particle Size, Particle Composition, and Gaseous Co-Pollutants on Cardiac Ischemia	Godleski, John J.	Harvard University	Katz, Stacey; Robarge, Gail	\$7,747,040	January 1999 - May 2004	MA
	R827353C010 Centers	Relating Changes in Blood Viscosity, Other Clotting Parameters, Heart Rate, and Heart Rate Variability to Particulate and Criteria Gas Exposures	Speizer, Frank E.	Harvard University	Katz, Stacey; Robarge, Gail	\$7,747,040	January 1999 - May 2004	MA
17	68D00275 <u>SBIR</u>	Photocatalytic AIR Cleaner for Indoor Air Pollution Control	Kittrell, J. R.	KSE Inc.	Manager, SBIR Program	\$225,000	January 2000 - January 2002	MA
18	R828172 <u>Grant</u>	Eddy-Correlation Measurement of Size-Segregated and Composition-Resolved Aerosol Depositional Flux Using an Aerosol Mass Spectrometer	Smith, Kenneth A.	Massachusetts Institute of Technology	Shapiro, Paul	\$225,000	July 2000 - July 2002	MÁ
19	R828192 <u>Grant</u>		Smith, Kennéth A.; Worsnop, Douglas R.	Massachusetts Institute of Technology	Shapiro, Paul	\$335,000	January 2000 - January 2003	MA
50	R828630 <u>Grant</u>	1990 Clean Air Act Amendments	Ellerman, A. Denny; Joskow, Paul L.; Montero, Juan Pablo; Schmalensee, Richard		Clark, Matthew	\$289,477	January 2000 - March 2003	MA

56	68D01057 <u>SBIR</u>	Innovative Ultraviolet Light Source for Disinfection of Drinking Water	Schaefer, Raymond B.	Phoenix Science and Technology Inc.	Manager, SBIR Program	\$225,000	January 2001 - January 2003	MA
57		Handheld Laser-Based Sensor for Remote Detection of Gas Leaks	Frish, Michael B.	Physical Sciences Inc.	Manager, SBIR Program	\$224,812	January 2000 - January 2002	MA
58	68D00204 <u>SBIR</u>	Field Screening Detector for Metals in Soil	Hunter, Amy J.R.	Physical Sciences Inc.	Manager, SBIR Program	\$224,990	January 2000 - January 2002	MA
60	68D99063 <u>SBIR</u>	Handheld Laser-Based Sensor for Remote Detection of Gas Leaks	Frish, Michael B.	Physical Sciences inc.	Manager, SBIR Program	\$69,997	January 1999 - January 2000	MA
65	R827583 <u>Grant</u>		Bernow, Stephen; Dougherty, William; Heaps, Charles; Kartha, Sivan; Raskin, Paul; Stutz, John; White, Allen; Cleetus, Rachel; Rajan, Sudhir Chella	Tėlius inatitutė	Clark, Matthew	\$150,000	January 1999 - January 2000	MA
66	R827450 <u>Grant</u>	Infrastructure Systems, Services, and Climate Change: Integrated Impacts and Response Strategies for the Boston Metropolitan Area	Kirshen, Paul; Ruth, Matthias	Tufts University, Boston University, University of Maryland	Manty, Dale; Turner, Vivian	\$899,985	September 1999 - September 2002	MA
67		Development and Evaluation of Methods for the Concentration, Separation, Detection, and Viability/Infectivity of Three Protozoa from Large Volume of Water	Tzipori, Saul; Buckholt, Michael; Widmer, Glovanni; Zuckermann, Udl; Sheoran, Abhineet	Tufts University	Noit-Helms, Cynthia	\$525,000	January 2000 - January 2003	MA
68	R829608 <u>Grant</u>	An Investigation of Compliance Behavior and Enforcement of Emissions Trading Programs Using Experimental Analyses	Murphy, James; Stranlund, John	University of Massachusetts	Clark, Matthew	\$227,860	January 2002 - December 2003	MA
69	R828580 <u>Grant</u>	Springfield Surface Water Action Monitoring Partnership (Sswamp)	Galluzzo, Katie; Beattie, Mike; Cabral, Diedre; Godfrey, Paul	University of Massachusetta - Boston	Stevens, Madalene	\$356,262	January 2000 - January 2002	MA
71	68D02016 <u>SBIR</u>	Low-Cost Machining Without Cutting Fluids	Rozzi, Jay C.	Creare incorporated	Manager, SBIR Program	\$69,891	January 2002 - January 2002	NH
72	R829582 <u>Grant</u>	The Economics of Environmental Taxes: Using First- Best Models in a Second-Best World	Howarth, Richard B.	Dartmouth College	Clark, Matthew	\$67,887	January 2002 - December 2003	NH
74	68D01026 <u>SBIR</u>	A Novel Treatment Method of Drinking Water	Milde, Helmut	ion Physics Corporation	Manager, SBIR Program	\$70,000	January 2001 - January 2001	NH
75	R827407 <u>Grant</u>	Early Signs & Determinants of Biotoxins (Microcystins in Lakes	Sasner, John J.; Haney, James F.; Ikawa, Miyoshi; Schloss, Jeff	University of New Hampshire Main Campus	Manty, Dale		August 1999 - August 2000	NH
76	R826731 <u>Grant</u>	Continuous Micro-Sorting of Complex Waste Plastics Particle Mixtures Via Liquid-Fluidized Bed Classification (LFBC) for Waste Minimization and Recycling	Calo, Joseph M.	Brown University	Kam, Barbara	\$265,000	January 1999 - March 2002	RI.

78	Designing Incentives that Strengthen Local Capacity for Land Development with Open Space and Healthy Ecosystems: Environmental Impact Fees	Swallow, Stephen K.	University of Rhode Island	Clark, Matthew	\$103,821	January 2001 - January 2003	ŔÌ
79	Economics of Conserving Ecosystem Integrity with Residential Development around Vernal Pools	Swallow, Stephen K.; Paton, Peter	University of Rhode Island	Clark, Matthew	\$200,017	January 2002 - January 2003	RI
80	Ovnamics, Variability and Patterns of Harmful and Red Tide Bloom-species in Narragansett Bay; Ecological Analysis of a 38-year Time Series	Smayda, Theodore J.; Borkman, David; Li, Yaqin	University of Rhode Island	Perovich, Gina	\$348,912	January 2001 - March 2004	RI

Region 2 Active Projects:

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2	68D01061 <u>SBIR</u>	Drift Mitigation by Optimization of Wingtip Modification	Teske, Milton E.	Continuum Dynamics Inc.	Manager, SBIR Program	\$224,980	January 2001 - January 2003	NJ
4	R827440 <u>Grant</u>	Agricultural Community on the U.S./Mexico Border	Shalat, Stuart L.; Buckley, Brian T.; Calvin, James A.; Donnelly, Kirby C.; Freeman, Natalie C.G.; Garcia, Deliana; Robson, Mark	University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey, Environmental and Occupational Health Sciences Institute, Robert Wood Johnson Medical School		\$710,231	January 1999 - September 2002	NJ
7	R827915 <u>Grant</u>	The Redox Cycle of Mercury in Natural Waters	Morel, François M.M.; Morel, Francois M.	Princeton University	Stelz, Bill	\$726,318	November 1999 - October 2002	NJ
8	U915719 <u>Fellow</u>	Environmental Covariability, Demographic Connectivity, and the Dynamics of Pacific Salmon (Oncorhynchus Spp.) Populations	Regetz, James	Princeton University	Morehouse, Karen		January 2000 - January 2003	NJ
9	R829585 <u>Grant</u>	Electronic Tags for Product Lifecycle Management	Thomas, Valerie; Wagner, Sigurd	Princeton University	Karn, Barbara		January 2002 - December 2004	NJ
10	R828177 <u>Grant</u>	Atmospheric Dry Particle Deposition of POPs and Trace Metals in an Urban- and Industrially-Impacted Mid-Atlantic Estuary (AEOLOS B Mid-Atlantic)	Eisenreich, Steven J.; Holsen, Thomas M.	Rutgers SUNJ	Shapiro, Paul	\$230,000	January 2000 - July 2002	NJ
11	R827288 <u>Grant</u>	Metal Contaminants, and Wetlands	Tucker, Robert K.; Hawkins, George S.; Jaffe, Peter R.; Johnson, Branden B.; PFlugh, Kerry K.	Stony Brook Millstone Watershed Association, Princeton University, Rutgers University - New Brunswick	Levinson, Barbara	A CONTROL OF THE PARTY OF THE P	March 1999 - March 2002	NJ
12	R829391 <u>Centers</u>	Center for Childhood Neurotoxicology and Assessment	Lambert, George H.	University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey, Columbia University	Saint, Chris	\$6,751,466	January 2001 - October 2006	NJ

14	R828733 <u>Grant</u>	Modeling Heat and Air Quality Impacts of Changing Urban Land Uses and Climate	Kinney, Patrick L.; Avissar, Roni; Rao, S. Trivikrama; Small, Christopher, Soleki, William D.	Columbia University, Montclair State University, Rutgers University, State University of New York	Manty, Dale	\$1,496,418	January 2000 - August 2003	NY/\
15	R829367 <u>Grant</u>	Viruses as a Regulator of Harmful Algal Bloom Activity: Aureococcus anophagefferens as a Model System	Gastrich, Mary Downes; Anderson, O.R.; Gobler, Christopher; Wilhelm, Steven W.	Columbia University, Long Island University - Southampton College, University of Tennessee – Knoxville	Perovich, Gina	\$210,232	January 2002 - July 2005	NY
6	R827952 <u>Grant</u>	Statistical Modeling of Waterborne Pathogen Concentrations	Stedinger, Jery	Cornell University	Fields, Nigel	\$305,493	January 2000 - January 2003	NY.
7	R828902 <u>Grant</u>	Impact of Invasive Plants on Abundance and Fitness of Salamanders	Blossey, Bernd	Cornell University	Senft, Amanda	\$446,959	August 2001 - August 2004	NY
8	R827674 <u>Grant</u>	Effects of N Deposition on Gaseous N Loss from Temperate Forest Ecosystems	Groffman, Peter M.; Adams, Mary Beth; Fernandez, Ivan; Potter, Christopher, Rustad, Lindsey; Verchot, Louis V.	Institute of Ecosystem Studies, USDA Forest Service, University of Maine	Perovich, Gina	\$894,361	January 1999 - September 2002	NY
9	R827446 <u>Grant</u>	Tetrachloroethene by Using Biomarkers and Neurobehavioral Testing in Diverse Residential	Storm, Jan; Aldous, Kenneth; Gensburg, Lenore; Lin, Shao; Levin, Stephen M.; Welles, Wanda Lizak	New York State Department of Health	Deener, Kacee	\$610,790	January 1999 - September 2002	NY
0	R827997 <u>Grant</u>	A Source-Oriented Evaluation of the Combined Effects of Fine Particles and Copollutants	lto, Kazuhiko; Thurston, George D.		Katz, Stacey; Robarge, Gail	\$478,522	February 2000 - February 2004	NY
1	R828045 <u>Grant</u>	Brominated DBP Formation and Speciation Based on the Specific UV Absorbance Distribution of Natural Waters	Kilduff,Ph.D, James E.; Karanfil,Ph.D, Tanju	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Clemson University	Noit-Heims, Cynthia	\$391,473	January 2000 - January 2003	NY
2	R827929 <u>Grant</u>	Improved Simulation of Advection and Dispersion of Urban Air Toxics	Walcek, Chris		Katz, Stacey; Robarge, Gail	\$347,991	January 1999 - January 2002	NY
3	R827961 <u>Grant</u>		J. Rabideau, Alan; Becker, Matthew; Flewelling, Douglas; Jankovic, Igor	SUNY Buffalo	Edwards, Jason		January 2000 - February 2003	NY
4	R829598 <u>Grant</u>	Material Selection in Green Design and Environmental Cost Analysis	Lin, Li; VanBenschoten, John E.; Vena, John	SUNY Buffalo	Karn, Barbara	\$325,000	January 2002 - December 2004	NY
5	R829007 <u>Grant</u>	Occurrence and Fate of Pharmaceuticals and Personal Care Products in Groundwater Environments	Brownawell, Bruce J.; Iden, Charles R.	State University of New York at Stony Brook	Noit-Helms, Cynthia	\$495,955	September 2001 - September 2004	NY
6	R827918 <u>Grant</u>	Voluntary Environmental Standards: Furthering Moral Suasion While Preventing Moral Hazard		Stern School of Business New York University, University of California - Santa Barbara	Carrillo, Susan	\$236,390	January 1999 - January 2001	NY
8	R827633 <u>Grant</u>		Driscoll, Charles T.; Munson, Ronald; Newton, Robert; Yavitt, Joseph	Syracuse University, Cornell University, Smith College, Tetra Tech Inc.	Stelz, Bill	\$786,680 -	January 1999 - October 2002	NY

29 R828046 <u>Grant</u>	Pulmonary and Systemic Effects of Inhaled Ultrafine Particles in Senescent Rats with Cardiovascular Disease	Elder, Alison C.P.; Couderc, Jean-Philippe; Frampton, Mark W.; Oberdörster, Glinter, Zareba, Wojciech	University of Rochester	Katz, Stacey; Robarge, Gail	\$408,859	March 2000 - March 2003	NY
30 U915817 <u>Fellow</u>	Environmental Health Education and Promotion Initiative to Develop Technical, Managerial and Financial Capacity in Communities Served by Small Water Systems		University of Puerto Rico - Central Administration	Broadway, Virginia		January 2000 - January 2003	PR

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1		Preparation of Superferromagnetic Lanthanide Nanoparticulate Magnetic Refrigerants		George Washington University	Karn, Barbara	\$254,557	January 2000 - May 2003	DC
2		Dendritic Nanoscale Chelating Agents: Synthesis, Characterization, Molecular Modeling and Environmental Applications	Diallo, Mamadou; S.Balogh, Lajos; Goddard, William A.; Johnson, James H.	Howard University, California Institute of Technology, University of Michigan	Savage, Nora	\$400,000	January 2002 - December 2004	DC
3	- 1000 GCD	Indicators of Ecosystem Value: Deriving Units of Exchange for Habitat Trades, Banking, and Preservation Priorities		Resources for the Future	Clark, Matthew	\$273,000	January 1999 - December 2001	DC
4		Efficiency and Distributional Consequences of the Allocation of Tradable Emission Allowances	Burtraw, Dallas; Fischer, Carolyn; Pizer, Billy	Resources for the Future	Clark, Matthew	\$251,000	January 2000 - Séptember 2002	DC
5		Electronic Environmental Democracy: The Future of Information Technology in Participatory Environmental Management	Davies, J. Clarence; Beierte, Thomas C.	Resources for the Future	Carrillo, Susan	\$147,631	January 1999 - March 2000	DC
6	68D01014 <u>SBIR</u>	MTBE Removal From Drinking Water	Bowser, John; Bower, John	Compact Membrane Systems Inc.	Manager, SBIR Program	\$70,000	April 2001 - September 2001	DE

3	68D00230 <u>SB</u> IR	Diesel Fuel Desulfurization	Nemser, Stuart	Compact Membrane Systems Inc.	Manager, SBIR Program	\$70,000	January 2000 - January 2001	DE"
9	68D02012 <u>SBIR</u>	Enhanced VOC Oxidation	Nemser, Stuart	Compact Membrane Systems Inc.	Manager, SBIR Program	\$70,000	April 2002 - September 2002	DE.
10	68D02013 <u>SBIR</u>	Retrofitting Diesel Electrical Generators for Emission Reduction	Nemser, Stuart	Compact Membrane Systems Inc.	Manager, SBIR Program	\$70,000	April 2002 - September 2002	DE
11	68D02014 <u>SBIR</u>	Membranes for Air Venting and Retaining VOCs in Gasoline Storage Tanks	Nemser, Stuart	Compact Membrane Systems Inc.	Manager, SBIR Program	\$70,000	April 2002 - September 2002	DE
12	R829576 <u>Grant</u>	Composite Resins and Adhesives from Plants	Wool, R. P.	University of Delaware	Richards, April	\$325,000	January 2002 - December 2004	DE
3		Synthesis, Characterization and Catalytic Studies of Transition Metal Carbide Nanoparticles as Environmental Nanocatalysts	Shah, S. Ismat; Chen, Jingguang G.	University of Delaware	Savage, Nora	\$350,000	January 2002 - December 2004	DE
4	R829622 <u>Grant</u>	Elemental Composition of Freshly Nucleated Particles	Johnston, Murray V.	University of Delaware	Savage, Nora	\$390,000	January 2002 - December 2004	DE
6	R827653 <u>Grant</u>	Understanding the Role of Sulfur in the Production and Eate of Methylmercury in Watersheds	Mason, Robert P.; Gilmour, Cynthia C.	Chesapsake Biological Laboratory, Academy of Natural Sciences, University of Maryland Center for Environmental Science	Stelz, Bill	\$779,786	January 1999 - September 2002	MD
18		A Portable Flow Cytometer Suitable for the Rapid Detection of Adenovirus in Wastewater	Kulaga, Henrietta	GEOMET Technologies Inc.	Manager, SBIR Program	\$70,000	A;pril 2002 - September 2002	MD

19	Implications of Climate Change for Regional Air Pollution, Health Effects and Energy Consumption Behavior	Ellis, J. H.; Hobbs, Benjamin F.; Joutz, F.; Patz, J. F.; Samet, J.; Schwab, M.	John Hopkins University, George Washington University	Manty, Dale	\$1,376,739	January 2000 - August 2003	MD
20	Study of Particle and Pathogen Removal During Bank Eiltration of River Waters	Bouwer, Edward J.; Aboytes, R.; LeChevallier, M.W.; O'Melia, Charles R.; Schwab, K.J.	John Hopkins University	Noit-Helms, Cynthía	\$536,316	August 2001 - August 2004	MD
21	Pharmaceuticals and Antiseptics: Occurrence and Fate in Drinking Water, Sewage Treatment Facilities, and Coastal Waters	Roberts, A. Lynn; Bouwer, Edward J.	John Hopkins University	Noit-Helms, Cynthia	\$524,890	January 2001 - August 2004	MD
22	EPA Center for Hazardous Substances in Urban Environments	Bouwer, Edward J.; Alavi, Hedy; Baker, Joel E; Ball, William P.; Carley, Robert; Chen, Guangming; Fairbrother, Howard; Haag George; Helble, Joseph J.; MacKay, Allison; Mason, Robed; Meneveau, Charles; Nikolaidis, Nik; O'Melia, Charles R.; Oguntimein, G. B.; Ondov, John M.; Parlange, Marc; Perkins, Chris; Roberts, Lynn; Sattler, Barbara; Smets, Barth F.; Stone, Alan T.; Williams, Sedley	University of Connecticut, University of Maryland -	Lasat, Mitch	\$6,000,000	January 2001 - December 2005	MD
23	Mechanistic Investigations of Fe(0) Reactions with Organohalides	Roberts, A. Lynn; Fairbrother, D. H.	John Hopkins University	Krishnan, S. Bala	\$225,000	January 2000 - Augus 2002	MD
24	A Genetic Test for Vulnerability to Inbreeding Depression in Right Whales and Elephant Seals	Hare, Matthew P.; Palumbi Stephen R.	University of Maryland, Harvard University	Manty, Dale		May 1999 - April 2001	MD
25	Whole Watershed Health and Restoration: Applying the Patuxent and Gwynns Falls Landscape Models to Designing a Sustainable Balance Between Humans and the Rest of Nature	Boumans, Roelof, Maxwell		Stelz, Bill	\$699,916	January 1999 - February 2001	MD

26		Modeling the Individual and Interactive Risks to an Amphiblan Population Resulting from Breeding Site Contamination and Terrestrial Habitat Loss	Rowe, C. L.; Hopkins, William A.	University of Maryland, University of Georgia	Senft, Amanda	\$280,059	January 2002 - December 2003	MÖ
27	R827972 <u>Grant</u>	Over-compliance in Point Source Water Pollution	Horowitz, John K.	University of Maryland - College Park	Clark, Matthew	\$59,316	December 1999 - December 2000	MD
28	R828012 <u>Grant</u>	Effects of Alternative Future Growth Scenarios on	Palmer, Margaret A.; Bockstael, Nancy; Moglen, Clenn E.; Ness, Keith; VanPoff, N. LeRoy; Wlegand, Cameron	University of Maryland - College Park, Colorado State University, Department of Environmental Protection Montgomery County	Stelz, Bill	\$1,125,212	January 2000 - May 2003	MD
29	R828037 <u>Grant</u>	Molecular Detection and Environmental Survey of Vegetative and Coccold Helicobacter Pylori	Shahamat, M.; Bradley, B.; Levin, M.; Robb, F.; Sowers, K.	University of Maryland - College Park	Nolt-Helms, Cynthia	\$522,145	January 2000 - January 2003	MD
30	R829366 <u>Grant</u>	Grazing and Windows of Opportunity for Dinoflagellate Blooms	Stoecker, Diane K.; Bolcourt, William C.; Roman, Michael R.	University of Maryland Center for Environmental Science, Horn Point Laboratory	Perovich, Gina	\$428,184	January 2002 - December 2004	MD
31	R827631 <u>Grant</u>	Response of Methylmercury Production and Accumulation to Changes in Hg Loading: A Whole-ecosystem Mercury Loading Study	Gilmour, Cynthia C.; Heyes, Andrew; Mason, Robert P.; Rudd, John M.	Academy of Natural Sciences Canada Department of Fisheries and Cocans, Chesapeake Biological Laboratory, University of Maryland Research Centers, University of Maryland	Stelz, Bill	3848,029	January 1999 - September 2002	PA
32	R827920 <u>Grant</u>	Continued Development of Methods for Characterizing and Ranking Health, Safety, and Environmental Risks	Morgan, Granger; Dekay, Michael; Fischbeck, Paul	Carnegle Mellon University	Carrillo, Susan	\$235,504	December 1999 - December 2001	PA
33	R828631 <u>Grant</u>	Multi-Lateral Emissions Trading: Political Economy and Firm Response	Farrell, Alex; Dowlatabadi, Hadi; Epple, Dennis; Farrow, Scott	Carnegie Mellon University	Clark, Matthew	\$149,366	January 2000 - August 2002	PA
34	R828128 <u>Grant</u>	Designing for Environment: A Multi-objective Optimization Framework Under Uncertainty	Diwekar, Urmila	Carnegle Mellon University	Karn, Barbara	\$274,424	January 2000 - March 2003	PA

35		Linking Environmental and Social Performance Measurement for Management at National and Watershed Levels: Modeling and Statistical Approaches	Tim; Schultz, Martin; Sinnott, James; Small,	Carnegie Mellon University, Research Triangle Institute, Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution	Stelz, Bill	\$649,864	October 2000 - September 2003	PĄ
36	R829407 <u>Grant</u>	Environmental Management Systems: Informing Organizational Decisions	Lave, Lester: Hendrickson, Chris	Carnegie Mellon University	Carrillo, Susan	\$323,265	January 2001 - October 2003	PA
37		Towards Elimination of Transition Metals and VQCs from the Environmentally Benign Materials Made by Atom Transfer Radical Polymerization (ATRP)	Matyjaszewski, Krzysztof	Carnegie Mellon University	Richards, April	\$350,000	January 2002 - December 2004	PA
38		Analysis and Management of Fluxes in Bacillus Pathways for Pesticide and Protein Production	Grossmann, Ignacio E.; Domach, Michael M.	Carnegle Mellon University	Richards, April	\$180,000	January 2002 - December 2004	PA
39		Ultrasensitive Pathogen Quantification in Drinking Water Using Highly Piezoelectric PMN-PT Microcantilevers	Shih, Wan Y.; Lee, Y.; Mutharasan, R.; Shih, W.H.	Orexel University	Karn, Barbara	\$449,713	January 2002 - December 2004	PA
40		Molecular Characterization of a Biological Threshold in Developmental Toxicity	Knudsen, Thomas B.; Charlap, Jeffrey H.; Craig, Robert C.	Jefferson Medical College	Deener, Kacee	\$207,170	January 1999 - September 2002	PA
41		Investigation of Diode Lasers for On-Aircraft Decoating Applications	Lancaster, Frederick A.	LANCORP Advanced Systems Inc.	Manager, SBIR Program	\$68,769	January 2000 - January 2001	PA
42		Evaluating a New Class of Imprinted Sorbent Materials for Toxic Metals Removal	SenGupta, Arup K.; Miller, Alfred	Lehigh University	Krishnan, S. Bala	\$193,000	January 2000 - June 2002	PA
43	R829625 <u>Grant</u>	Nanoscale Bimetallic Particles for In Situ Remediation	Zhang, Wei-xian	Lehigh University	Savage, Nora	\$300,000	January 2002 - December 2004	PĄ,

44		Stream Plethodontid Assemblage Response (SPAR) index: Development, Application, and Verification in the MAHA	Brian L.; Rocco, Gian L.	Pennsylvania State University - Main Campus, Penn State Coop. Wetlands Center	Senft, Amanda	\$397,304	January 1999 - June 2002	PA
15	R827956 <u>Grant</u>	Mechanistic-based Watershed Modeling for Evaluation of Ecosystem Conditions	Schayek, Lily	Pennsylvania State University - Main Campus, University of Central Florida	Edwards, Jason	\$888,637	October 2000 - September 2003	PA
45		Development, Testing, and Application of Ecological and Socioeconomic Indicators for Integrated Assessment of Aquatic Ecosystems of the Atlantic Slope in the Mid-Atlantic States	L.; Havens, Kirk; Hershner, Carl; Hines, Anson; Jordan, Thomas E.; Marra, Peter P.; McElfish, James	University - Main Campus, East Carolina University, Environmental Law Institute, Smithsonian Environmental	Levinson, Barbara	56,000,000	January 2001 - January 2005	PA
46	R827994 <u>Grant</u>	Cardiovascular Responses to Particulate Air Pollution	Liao, Duanping; Chinchilli, Vernon M.; Heiss, Gerardo; Shy, Carl; Xie, Sharon; Whitsel, Erilc	Pennsylvania State University - Main Campus	Katz, Stacey; Robarge, Gail	\$607,630	January 2000 - January 2003	PA
47		Diminishing Materials Use and Air Pollutants in Foundries via an Integrated Advanced Oxidation Process: Characterization of Materials and Pollutants at the Nano-Scale		Pennayivania State University - Main Campus	Richards, April	\$325,000	January 2002 - Decamber 2004	PA
48	R829605 <u>Grant</u>	Green Engineering of Dispersed Nanoparticles: Measuring and Modeling Nanoparticle Forces	Velegol, Darrell; Fichthorn, Kristen	Pennsylvania State University - Main Campus	Karn, Barbara	\$370,000	January 2002 - January 2004	PA
49		Molecular Tracers of Contaminant Sources to Surface Water Drinking Supplies	Standley, Laurel J.; Kaplan, Louis A.; Newbold, U. Denis	Stroud Water Research Center, Inc	Krishnan, S. Bala	\$220,000	January 2000 - April 2002	PA
50	R829601 <u>Grant</u>	A Bicengineering Approach to Nanoparticle based Environmental Remediation	Strongin, Daniel R.; Douglas, Trevor; Schoonen, Martin A.A.	Temple University, Montana State University, SUNY at Stony Brook	Karn, Barbara	\$399,979	January 2002 - January 2005	PA

51	68D01046 <u>SBIR</u>	Planar Heat Pipe Preheater/Substrate for Low NOx Catalytic Combustion	Calaman, Doug		Manager, SBIR Program	\$70,000	April 2001 - September 2001	PAL
52	R828599 <u>Grant</u>	Molecular Epidemiology of Hypospadias	Manson, Jeanne M.; Artlett, Carol; Carr, Michael; Daskalakis, Constantine; Devoto, Marcella	Thomas Jefferson University	Deener, Kacee	\$2,962,288	January 2000 - July 2005	PA
53	R828131 <u>Grant</u>	Biocatalytic Polyester Synthesis	Russell, Alan J.	University of Pittsburgh - Main Campus	Karn, Barbara	\$375,000	January 2000 - March 2003	PA
54		Real-Time Internet Visualization and Environmental Reporting Network (RiverNet): the Upper Susquehanna /Lackawanna American Heritage River	Tomaine, James; Bruns, Dale; Krehely, Robert	Wyoming Valley Sanitary Authority, PA, Wilkes University	Stevens, Madalene	\$399,909	January 2001 - December 2002	PA
56		Polymer-Based Competitive Flow Sensor Detects Contaminants in the Field	Coolbaugh, M. Todd		Manager, SBIR Program	\$225,000	January 2001 - January 2003	VA
57		Chromium-Free Conversion Coating Technologies for Light Metals	Coolbaugh, M. Todd		Manager, SBIR Program	\$70,000	April 2002 - September 2002	VA
58	68D00235 <u>SBIR</u>	Low Cost In Situ Technique for Mercury Removal	Rainer, Norman B.		Manager, SBIR Program	\$64,500	January 2000 - January 2001	VA
59		A New Biosensor for Rapid Identification of Bacterial Pathogens	Tabacco, Mary Beth	Echo Technologies Inc.	Manager, SBIR Program	\$69,733	April 2001 - September 2001	VA
30 30		Fransgenic Citrate-Producing Plants for Lead Phytoremediation	Elless, Mark P.	Edenspace Systems Corporation	Manager, SBIR Program	\$69,660	April 2002 - September 2002	VA

62		Optical Fiber-Based, Multianalyte Detection System for Simultaneous Screening of Endocrine Disruptors	Jones, Mark		Manager, SBIR Program	\$69,953	January 2000 - January 2001	VA
63		Aqueous Polyglycol Solutions as Environmentally Benign Solvents in Chemical Processing	Kirwan, Donald J.; Gainer, John L.	University of Virginia	Karn, Barbara	\$335,000	January 2000 - May 2003	VA
64		Ecohab: Pfiesteria Or Fungus? Etiology Of Lesions In Menhaden	Shields, Jeffrey, Haas, Larry, Kator, Howard; Vogelbein, Wolfgang K.	Virginie institute of Marine Science	Perovich, Gina	\$508,937	June 2000 - June 2003	VA
65	R827953 <u>Grant</u>	Assessing the Effects of Multiple Stressors in Environmental Monitoring Programs	Smith, Eric; Ye, Keying	Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State Univ	Fields, Nigel	\$266,388	January 1999 - September 2002	VA
66		Field and Laboratory Studies of the Effects of Polychlorinated Biphenyls and Other Persistent Organic Pollutants on Thyroid Function During Avian Development	McNabb, F.M. Anne	Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State Univ	Reese, David H.	\$256,587	January 1999 - July 2001	VA
67		Senign Processing of Polymers Plasticized with Absorbed Carbon Dioxide	Baird, Donald	Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State Univ	Richards, April	\$325,000	January 2002 - December 2004	VA

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1	R827072C010 Centers	Effects Of Variation in River Discharge and Wind-Driven Resuspension on Lower Trophic Levels of the Mobile Bay Ecosystem		Alabama Center for Estuarine Studies	Perovich, Gina	\$258,580	January 1999 - August 2002	AL
2	R827072C012 <u>Centers</u>	Effects of Salinity Stress on Natural and Anthropogenically-Derived Bacteria in Estuarine Environments	Kiene, Ronald P.	Alabama Center for Estuarine Studies	Perovich, Gina	\$54,500	January 1999 - September 2000	AL
3	R828583 <u>Grant</u>	Providing Timely Public Access to Daily Air Quality Information about Birmingham, AL and Its Regional Environment		Jefferson County Department of Health, AL, Jefferson County Department of Health, North Carolina Supercomputing Center, University of Alabama in Huntsville		\$299,989	January 2001 - December 2002	AL
4	R828257 <u>Grant</u>	Investigation of Room Temperature Ionic Liquids as Environmentally Benign Solvents for Industrial Separations (TSE99-A)	Rogers, Robin D.; Katritzky, Alan R.	University of Alabama, University of Florida	Karn, Barbara	\$375,000	January 2000 - April 2003	AL
5		Fluorescent Whitening Agents As Facile Pollution Markers in Shellfishing Waters	Cloffi, Eugene Å.	University of South Alabama	Perovich, Gina		January 1999 - September 2001	AL
6	R827072C002 Centers	Red Snapper Demographics on Artificial Reefs: The Effect of Nearest-Neighbor Dynamics	Cowan, James H.; Shah, Arvind	University of South Alabama	Perovich, Gina		January 1999 - September 2000	AL

	Centers	Stabilization of Eroding Shorelines in Estuarine Wave Eliminates with Constructed Fringe Wetlands Incorporating Offshore Breakwaters	Douglass, Scott L.; Stout, Judy P.	University of South Alabama	Perovich, Gina	January 1999 - September 2000	AL
	Centers	Interaction Between Water Column Structure and Reproduction in Jellyfish Populations Of Mobile Bay (SGER)	Graham, William M.	University of South Alabama	Perovich, Gina	January 1999 - September 2000	AL
	Centers	Effects of Variation in River Discharge and Wind-Driven Resuspension on Higher Trophic Levels in the Mobile Bay Ecosystem	Cowan, James H.	University of South Alabama	Perovich, Giria	January 1999 - September 2000	AL
nin	R827072C006 Centers	Results of Zooplankton Component	Graham, William M.	University of South Alabama	Perovich, Gina	January 1999 - September 2000	AL
	R827072C007 Centers	Benthic Study Component	Valentine, John F.	University of South Alabama	Perovich, Gina	January 1999 - September 2000	AL
	R827072C009 Centers	Fisheries-induced changes in the structure and function of shallow water 'nursery habitats'; an experimental assessment	Heck, Kenneth L.; Cowan, James H.; DeVrles, D.; Valentine, John F.	University of South Alabama	Perovich, Gina	January 1999 - September 2000	AL
	R827072C011 Centers	Evaluation of Alabama Estuaries as Developmental Habitat for Juvenile Sea Turties	Nel, David; Marion, Ken; Wibbels, Thane	University of South Alabama	Perovich, Gina	January 1999 - September 2000	AL
	R827072C013 Centers	The Role of Land-Use/Land-Cover and Sub-estuarine Ecosystem Nitrogen Cycling in the Regulation of Nitrogen Delivery to a River Dominated Estuary; Mobile Bay, Alabama	Pennock, Jonathan R.; Klene, Ronald P.; Lehrter, John	University of South Alabama	Perovich, Gina	January 1999 - September 2000	AL
i	R827072C014 Centers	Environmental Attitudes of Alabama Coastal Residents: Public Opinion Polls and Environmental Policy	Picou, J. Steven; Formichella, Cecella; Johnson, G. David; Nicholls, Keith	University of South Alabama	Perovich, Gina	January 1999 - September 2000	AL

16	R829094 <u>Grant</u>	Evaluating Multiple Stressors in Loggerhead Sea Turtles: Developing A Two-Sex Spatially Explicit Mode	Wyneken, Jeanette; Crowder, Larry B.; Epperly Sheryan; Snover, Melissa	Boca Raton, Duke	Senft, Amanda	\$349,421	September 2001 - September 2004	FL *A
17	R827643 <u>Grant</u>	Multi-level Indicators of Ecosystem Integrity in Alpine Lakes of the Sierra Nevada		Miami University, University of California - Davis, University of Nevada – Reno	Senft, Amanda	\$894,627	September 1999 - December 2002	FL
18		Prevalence and Survival of Microorganisms in Shoreline Interstitial Waters: A Search for Indicators o Health Risks	Rogerson, Andrew, Estiobu, Nwadiuto; McCorquodale, Don	Nova Southeastern University Oceanographic Center, Florida Atlantic University - Boca Raton	Nolt-Helms, Cynthia	\$312,570	January 2001 - July 2003	FL
20		System to Deliver Halon Equivalent, Hydrogen Fluoride Controlled, Supplemented HFC Gases in Fire Sensitive, Lightweight Plastic Extinguishers	MacEiwee, Donald B.	Powsus Inc.	Manager, SBIR Program	\$224,000	January 2001 - January 2003	FL
22	R827956 <u>Grant</u>	Mechanistic-based Watershed Modeling for Evaluation of Ecosystem Conditions	: Yeh, Gour-TsyhGwo, J.P.; Schayek, Lily	Pennsylvania State University Main Campus, University of Central Florida	Edwards, Jason	\$888,637	October 2000 - September 2003	PA
23		Biogeochemical Indicators of Watershed Integrity and Wetland Eutrophication	Reddy, K. R.; DeBusk, W.F.; Fisher, M.M.; Graham, W.; Keenan, L. W.; Lowe, E.F.; Ogram, A. Prenger, J. P.	University of Florida, St. Johns River Water Management District	Senft, Amanda	\$639,410	January 1999 - September 2002	FL
24		Fetal Metabolism of Aflatoxin B1 and Susceptibility to Childhood Cancer	Gallagher, Evan	University of Florida	Deener, Kacee	\$523,123	January 1999 - June 2002	FL
25		Biopollution by the Green Mussel, Perna viridis, in the Southeastern United States	Patrick; Benson, Amy;	University of Florida, Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, Florida Marine Research Institute, U.S. Geological Survey	Senft, Amanda	\$447,602	January 2001 - May \$2004	FL
26	R829602 <u>Grant</u>	Simultaneous Environmental Monitoring and Purification Through Smart Particles	Sigmund, Wolfgang M.; Mazyck, David; Wu, Chang-Yu	University of Florida	Karn, Barbara	\$390,000	October 2002 - September 2005	FL

27	R827453 <u>Grant</u>	on the South Florida Environment	Harwell, Mark A.; Auft, Jerald S.; Cropper, Wendell P.; DeAngells, Donald; Drum, Deborah; Gentile, John H.; Letson, David; Luo, Jiangang; Obeysekera, Jayantha; Ogden, John C.; Toshi, Steven; Wang, John; Wolfe, Willifred; Lirman, Diego	University of Miami, Center for Marine and Environmental Analyses, Rosensilel School of Marine and Atmospheric Science, South Florida Water Management District, USGS Biological Resources Division	Manty, Dale; Turner, Vivtan	\$889,579	January 1999 - September 2002	FLITT
28		National Center for Caribbean Coral Reef Research (NCORE) – Administrative	McManus, John W.	University of Miami	Perovich, Gina		December 1999 - December 2003	FL
29	R828020C004 Centers	Physical Oceanographic Studies	Lee, Tom	University of Miami	Perovich, Gina		December 1999 - December 2003	FL
30	R828020C005 Centers	Impacts of Nutrients on Reefs in the Florida Keys	Swart, Peter	University of Miami	Perovich, Gina		December 1999 - December 2003	FL
31	R829599 <u>Grant</u>	Nanosensors for Detection of Aquatic Toxins	Gawley, Robert E.	University of Miami	Karn, Barbara	\$350,000	January 2002 - February 2005	FL
32	R828829 <u>Grant</u>	Understanding the Sources and Fate of Conventional and Alternative Indicator Organisms in Tropical Waters	Harwood, Valerle J.; Rose, Joan	University of South Florida	Nott-Helms, Cynthia	\$388,335	January 2001 - August 2003	FL
33	U915823 <u>Fellow</u>	Complex Sphingolipid Involvement in the Expression of CYP1A1 Activity in MC-Exposed HepG2 Cells	Peters, DeMia E.	Clark Atlanta University	Broadway, Virginia		January 2000 - January 2002	GA
34	R829213 <u>Grant</u>	Multiple Pollutants and Risk of Cardiac and Respiratory Emergency Department Visits in Atlanta	Tolbert, Paige; Flanders, Dana; Klein, Mitchel; Lyles Robert; Mulholland, James; Russell, Armistead G.; Ryan, P. Barry; Todd, Knox; Waller, Lance		Katz, Stacey	\$1,238,940	January 2002 - December 2004	GĀ

35	R827028 <u>Grant</u>	Development and Evaluation of Modeling Techniques for the Study of Interactions between Urban and Point Source Plumes and Regional Atmospheres in the Formation of Secondary Pollutants		Georgia Institute of Technology, North Cerolina State University	Shapiro, Paul	\$468,324	January 1999 - January 2002	GA
36	R828207 <u>Grant</u>	Computational Requirements of Statistical Learning within a Decision-Making Framework for Sustainable Technology	Chen, Victoria C.P.; Chang, Michael E.; Johnson, Ellis L.; Lee, Eva K.Y.	Georgia Institute of Technology	Karn, Barbara	\$335,000	January 2000 - June 2003	GA
37	R828130 <u>Grant</u>	Nearcritical Water as a Reaction Solvent	Eckert, Charles A.; Brown, James; Bush, David; Griffith, Kris; Hallett, Jason Lesutis, Heather; Liotta, C. L.; Nolen, Sharie; Pollet, Pamela; Smith, Griffin; West, Kevin	Technology	Karn, Barbara	\$397,910	January 2000 - June 2003	GA
88	R826772 <u>Grant</u>	Improved Photolytic Rate Measurements at PAMS Sites	Rodgers, Michael O.; Pearson, James R.	Georgia Institute of Technology	Shapiro, Paul	\$168,930	March 1999 - March 2001	GA
9	R829554 <u>Grant</u>	Removal of Photoresist and Post-Plasma Etch Sidewall Films Using Superciritical and Subcritical CO2 with Additives	Hess, Dennis W.	Georgia Institute of Technology	Savage, Nora	\$325,000	January 2002 - December 2004	GA
1	U915799 <u>Fellow</u>	Phytochemical Inhibition of Chemical Carcinogens	Odom, Rosaline Y.	Morehouse School of Medicine	Broadway, Virginia		January 2000 - January 2003	GA
2		The Impact of Lawn Care Practices on Aquatic Ecosystems in Suburban Watersheds	Armbrust, Kevin; Black, Marsha; Gragson, Ted; Keeler, Andrew; Meyer, Judy L.; Noblet, Raymond; Shuman, Larry; West, Dee Williams, James B.		Stelz, Bill	\$893,849	January 2000 - February 2003	GA
3		The Environmental Occurrence, Fate, and Ecotoxicity of Selective Serotonin Reuptake Inhibitors (SSRIs) in Aquatic Environments	Armbrust, Kevin; Black, Marsha	University of Georgia	Nolt-Helms, Cynthia	\$522,892	January 2001 - August 2004	GA .
4		Measurements and Models of Longitudinal Dietary Intake of Pyrethroid and Organophosphate Insecticides By Children	MacIntosh, David L.; Hassan, Sayed; Kerr, William L.; Ryan, P. Barry	University of Georgia, Emory University	Deener, Касее	\$659,764	January 2001 - August 2004	GA

R829086 <u>Grant</u>	Stressor Effects on an Amphibian Population	Philip; Elskus, Adria;		Senft, Amanda	\$522,832	January 2001 - July 2004	KY.
R829621 <u>Grant</u>	Membrane-Based Nanostructured Metals for Reductive Degradation of Hazardous Organics at Room Temperature	Bhattacharyya, Dibakar, Bachas, Leonidas G.; Ritchie, Stephen M.C.	University of Kentucky, University of Alabama	Savage, Nora	\$ 345,000	January 2002 - December 2004	KY
	Remediation: Valuing Market Based Incentives for	Meyer, Peter B.	University of Louisville	Clark, Matthew	\$277,388	January 2002 - February 2004	KY January
R828017 <u>Grant</u>		Chambers, Janice E.; Boone, J. Scott, Boyle, Borolyn R.; Tyler, John W.	Mississippi State University	Saint, Chris	\$712,010	January 2000 - December 2002	MS
R828717 <u>Grant</u>	Environmental Risks to Children's Health: Parents' Risk Beliefs, Protective Behavior, and Willingness to Pay	Dickle, Mark; Gerking, Shelby	University of Southern Mississippl, University of Wyoming	Clark, Matthew	\$347,373	January 2001 - December 2003	MS
R827401Grant	Endocrine Disruption in Marine Gastropods by Environmental Chemical Mixtures	McClellan-Green, Patricia D.; Gershwin, M. Eric; Hendrickx, Andrew G.	Duke University	Reese, David H.	\$430,672	January 1999 - August 2002	NC
R828784 <u>Grant</u>			State University, University of	Perovich, Gina	\$399,658	January 2001 - April 2003	NC
R828686 <u>Grant</u>	Spatial and Temporal Models for Environmental Health Effects	Clyde, Merlise	Duke University	Fields, Nigel	\$557,859	December 2001 - November 2004	NC
R829012 <u>Grant</u>	Effectiveness of UV Irradiation for Pathogen Inactivation in Surface Waters	Linden, Karl G.; Sobsey, Mark D.	Duke University, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill	Nolt-Helms, Cynthia	\$524,848	August 2001 - August 2004	NC
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55	R829399 <u>Grant</u>	Developmental Neurotoxicity in Offspring Induced by Combined Maternal Exposure of Rats to Nicotine and Chlorpyrifos	Abou-Donia, Mohamed B.	Duke University Medical Center	Deener, Kacee	\$750,000	January 2001 - September 2004	NC
56	R828721 <u>Grant</u>	Evaluating the Dissemination and Impact of Toxics Release Inventory Data	J Vasu, Michael; Atlas, Mark; Dimock, Michael	North Carolina State University	Carrillo, Susan	\$196,197	January 2000 - November 2002	NC
58			Barlaz, Morton A.; Gabr, Mohammed A.	North Carolina State University	Stelz, Bill	\$145,213	September 1999 - December 2000	NC
 59		Regional Vulnerability of Forest Resources to Current and Projected Environmental Stresses in the Southeastern U.S.		North Carolina State University	Perovich, Gina	\$399,365	March 2001 - March 2003	NC
30	R829370 <u>Grant</u>	Behaving Drifters as Gymnodinium breve mimics	Kamykowski, Danlel; Janowitz, Gerald S.; Wolcott, Thomas G.	North Carolina State University	Perovich, Gina	\$423,493	January 2001 - September 2004	NC
1	R829508 <u>Grant</u>	Consequences of Land Cover Changes	Smith, V. Kerry; Palmquist, Raymond B.; Phaneuf, Daniel J.	North Carolina State University	Clark, Matthew	\$299,855	January 2001 - September 2004	NC
2	R827444 <u>Grant</u>		Raymer, J. H.; Akland, G.G.; Clayton, C. Andrew; Pellizzari, E. D.; Wilcosky, T.	Research Triangle institute	Saint, Chris	\$819,063	January 1999 - August 2002	NC
i3	R829397Grant	Longitudinal tudy of Children's Exposure to Permethrin	Hu, Y.; Akland, G. G.; Raymer, J.H.	Research Triangle Institute	Deener, Kacee	\$754,664	January 2001 - Novembar 2004	NC
34		Behavioral Reactions to Ozone Alerts: What Do They Tell Us About Willingness-to-Pay for Children's Health?	Mansfield, Carol; Crawford-Brown, Douglas; Houtven, George; VanJohnson, F. Reed; Pekar, Zachary	Research Triangle Institute, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill	Clark, Matthew	\$310,000	January 2002 - January 2004	NC

65		Blogenic Hydrocarbons with a GasBParticle Phase	Karens, Richard M.; Jaoul, Mohammed; Jeffries, Harvey E.	University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill	Shapiro, Paul	\$225,000	July 2000 - July 2002	NC
66	R827955 <u>Grant</u>	An Object-Oriented Model for Nitrogenous Pollutants from Swine Waste Land Application	Whalen, Stephen C.; Jeffries, Harvey E.; Miller, C. T.	University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill	Edwards, Jason	\$345,533	January 1999 - September 2002	NC
67	100	Development of a Surface Water Object-Oriented Modeling System (SWOOMS) for the Neuse River Estuary, North Carolina	Luettich, Jr., Richard A.; Alperin, M.; Bowen, J.; Buzzelli, C.; Jeffries, Harvey E.; Paerl, Hans; Stotts, David	University of North Carolina at Chapet Hill, University of North Carolina at Charlotte	Edwards, Jason	\$897,859	January 1999 - September 2002	NC
68	R828677 <u>Grant</u>	Atlantic Coast Environmental Indicators Consortium	Paerl, Hans; Bolcourt, William C.; Fonseca, Mark; Harding,Jr., Lawrence W.; Hopkinson, Chuck; Houde, Edward D.; Kenworthy, Judson; Luettlch,Jr., Richard A.; Morris, James T.; Roman, Michael R.; Torres, Raymond	Maryland Center for	Levinson, Barbara	\$5,812,315	February 2001 - February 2005	NC
69		An Object-Oriented Integrating Framework for Multi-discipline Ecosystem Modeling	Stotts, David; Coats, Carly Galluppi, Kenneth J.; Prins Jan F.	University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill	Edwards, Jason	\$863,049	January 1999 - September 2002	NC
70	A SECTION AND LAND ASSESSMENT OF THE PERSON AND ADDRESS OF THE PERSON	Impact of Residual Pharmaceutical Agents and their Metabolites in Wastewater Effluents on Downstream Drinking Water Treatment Facilities	Weinberg, Howard S.; Meyer, M.T.; Singer, Philip C.; Sobsey, Mark D.	University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, U.S. Geological Survey	Noit-Heims, Cynthia	\$524,992	August 2001 - August 2004	NC
71		Machanisms of Air Pollutant-Induced Pulmonary Inflammation; Effects of Zinc on EGFR Receptor Function	Graves, Lee M.; Wu, Weldong	University of North Carolina at Chapet Hill	Katz, Stacey	\$874,125	November 2001 - November 2004	NC
72	R829440 <u>Grant</u>	Environmental Management Systems: Do Formalized Management Systems Produce Superior Performance?	Andrews, Richard N.; Amaral, Deborah	University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill	Carrillo, Susan	\$340,000	November 2001 - November 2003	NC

73	R829586 <u>Grant</u>	Dry Lithography: Environmentally Responsible Processes for High Resolution Pattern Transfer and Elimination of ImageCollapse using Positive Tone Resists	PeSimone, Joseph M.	University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill	Richards, April	\$347,898	January 2001 - January 2004	NÇ
74	R829428 <u>Grant</u>	Activation of Ki-ras During Transplacental Carcinogenesis	Miller, Mark Steven	Wake Forest University School of Medicine, Wake Forest University School of Medicine, Winston-Salem, NC	Deener, Kacee	\$902,111	January 2001 - September 2004	NC
75		Brominated DBP Formation and Speciation Based on the Specific UV Absorbance Distribution of Natural Waters	Kilduff,Ph.D, James E.; Karanfil,Ph.D, Tanju	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Clemson University	Nolt-Heims, Cynthia	\$391,473	January 2000 - January 2003	sc
76		Tailoring Activated Carbon Surfaces for Water, Wastewater and Hazardous Waste Treatment Operations	Karanfil,Ph.D, Tanju; Kilduff,Ph.D, James E.	Clemson University	Krishnan, S. Bala	\$223,978	January 2000 - May 2002	sc
77		Plasmon Sensitized TiO2 Nanoparticles as a Novel Photocatalyst for Solar Applications	Chumanov, George	Clemson University	Karn, Barbara	\$320,000	January 2002 - June 2005	SC
78		Coal Combustion Wastes: New Concerns About an Old Problem	Congdon, Justin D.; Rowe, C. L.; Hopkins, William A.	Savannah River Ecology Laboratory, University of Georgia, Chesapeake Biological Laboratory	Stelz, Bill	\$67,698	August 1999 - August 2000	sc
79		Genetic to Population Levels	Chandler, G. Thomas; Ferry,Ph.D, John L.; Fulton,Ph.D, Michael H.; Quattro, Joseph M.; Scott, Geoffrey I.; Wirth,Ph.D, Edward F.	University of South Carolina at Columbia, NOAA /GLERL	Reese, David H.	\$1,265,102	January 1999 - March 2002	SC
80		Reducing Diesel Soot With an Atmospheric Plasma Metallic Filter	Kelly-Wintenberg, Kimberly		Manager, SBIR Program	\$64,557	January 2001 - September 2001	TN
82		An Economical Alternative for Sorting Polymers on the Small Materials Recovery Facility (MRF) Level	Sommer, Edward J.		Manager, SBIR Program	\$225,000	January 2000 - January 2002	TN

83	69D01065SBIR Sensor Fusion for Contaminant Detection Removal From Plastics Recycle Streams	and Sommer, Edward J.	National Recovery Technologies Inc.	Manager, SBIR Program	\$225,000	January 2001 - January 2003	TN
84	68D01036 <u>SBIRA Process for Online Quality Control of Re</u> Plastic Flake	Sommer, Edward J.	National Recovery Technologies Inc.	Manager, 8BIR Program	\$70,000	January 2001 - September 2001	TN
97	88D02021SBIR Development of High Surface Area Materi Media	al and Filter Doshi, Jayesh	eSpin Technologies Inc.	Manager, SBIR Program	369,995	January 2002 - September 2002	TN

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2	R828169 <u>Grant</u>	Engineering Environmentally Benign Solvent Systems	Broadbelt, Linda J.; Khan, Shumaila; Zhang, Qizhi	Northwestern University	Shapiro, Paul	\$223,199	January 2000 - August 2002	
3		Metabolic Engineering of Solvent Tolerance in Anaerobic Bacteria	Papoutsakis, E. T.; Welker N.E.	Northwestern University	Richards, April	\$180,000	January 2000 - May 2003	JL.
1	R829402 <u>Grant</u>	Center for Integrating Statistical and Environmental Science	Beletsky, Dmitry; Chay, Kenneth; Duklc, Vanja; Dwyer, Greg; Eshel, Gidon Frederick, John; Greenstone, Mlichael;	University of Chicago, Argonne National Laboratory, NOAA/GLERL, University of California - Berkeley, University of Colorado-Boulder, University of Illinois at Urbana, University of Michigan, University of Wisconsin – Madison		\$6,250,049	December 2002 - November 2007	L
5	is local to the	New Methods for Assessment of Pollution Prevention Technologies: Integration of Failure Modes and Effects Analysis (FMEA), Life Cycle Analysis (LCA), and Petri Net Modeling	He, David; Oison, Walter	University of Illinois at Chicago	Катп, Barbara	\$250,000	August 2000 - August 2003	JL.

3	U915833 <u>Fellow</u>	Effects of Urban Habitat Fragmentation in Small Mammals	Pergams, Oliver R.	University of Illinois at Chicago	Broadway, Virginia		January 2000 - January 2003	
	R827919 <u>Grant</u>	Business-led Environmental Management: Economic Incentives and Environmental Implications	Khanna, Madhu; Thurston, Deborah	University of Illinois at Urbana	Carrillo, Susan	\$241,516	December 1999 - December 2001	L
	R827451 <u>Grant</u>	Integrated Assessment of Climate Change Impact in the Mackinaw River Watershed, Illinois	Herricks, Edwip E.; Donaghy, Kieran P.; Eheart, J. Wayland; Orland, Brian	University of Illinois at Urbana, Pennsylvania State University - Main Campus	Manty, Dale; Turner, Vivian	\$867,595	January 1999 - September 2002	IL.
	R829553 <u>Grant</u>	Green Oxidation Catalysts for Fine Chemical Synthesis	Shapley, Patricia A.	University of Illinois at Urbana	Savage, Nora	\$325,000	January 2002 - December 2004	L
			Good, David; Richards, Kenneth	Indiana University	Clark, Matthew	\$180,917	January 2001 - March 2003	IN
		Spray Systems	Plesniak, Michael W.; Frankel, Steven H.; Sojka, Paul E.	Purdue University - Main Campus	Richards, April	\$350,000	January 2002 - December 2004	IN
		An Experimental Study of Transactions Costs, Liability Rules and Point-Nonpoint Source Trading in Environmental Markets	Cason, Timothy N.	Purdue University - Main Campus	Clark, Matthew	\$144,136	January 2002 - December 2003	IN
	R828899 <u>Grant</u>			University of Notre Dame, University of Chicago	Senft, Amanda	\$450,000	May 2001 - April 2004	N

18	68D01011 <u>SBIR Portable Fast GC System for Field Environmental</u> <u>Monitoring and Measurement Problems</u>	Klemp, Mark A.		Manager, SBIR Program	\$70,000	January 2001 - September 2001	MI
19	68D01013 <u>SBIRExtraction and Recovery of Pure Nickel Metal From</u> Hazardous Plating Sludge	May, William		Manager, SBIR Program	\$70,000	January 2001 - September 2001	MI
 22	R827922 <u>Grant</u> Web-Based Methods for Valuing Wetland Services	Hoehn, John P.; Kaplowitz Michael D.; Lupi, Frank	Michigan State University	Clark, Matthew	\$227,758	January 1999 - September 2002	MI
23	R827402 <u>Grant</u> Developmental Exposure to Endocrine Disruptors: Fertility and Gene Expression Profiles	Zacharewski, Timothy	Michigan State University	Reese, David H.	\$738,712	January 1999 - August 1999	MI
24	R827965Grant Detroit—Ann Arbor Metro Public Information Project	Kenyon, Cindy; Head, Rebecca; Moore, Leon; Rubin, Laura; Score, Mike; Sweat, Mike; VanderMeulen, Joe; Wades, Jim	Michigan State University	Stevens, Madalene	\$725,968	January 2000 - December 2001	MI
:5	R829216Grant Effects of Airborne Particles on Allergic Airway Disease	Harkema, Jack; Sioutas, Constantinos	Michigan State University, University of Southern California	Katz, Stacey	\$854,702	October 2001 - October 2004	MI
26	68D02035 <u>SBIRValue-Added Composites From Foundry Industry Waste</u> <u>Materials</u>	Merrington, Adrian	Resource Recovery Corporation of West Michigan	Manager, SBIR Program	\$70,000	January 2002 - September 2002	MI

27			Moore, Michael R.; Kotchen, Matthew J.	University of Michigan	Clark, Matthew	\$68,042	January 2001 - September 2002	MI
28		Superheated Water and Steam Degreasing of Working Stocks, Parts, and Equipment in Machining, Manufacturing and Production Processes and Operations	Weber, Walter J.	University of Michigan	Karn, Barbara	\$320,000	January 2000 - August 2003	MI
29		Membrane Introduction Mass Spectrometry Studies of Halogenated Cyano Byproduct Formation in Drinking Water	Olson, Terese M.	University of Michigan	Nott-Helms, Cynthia	\$334,666	January 2000 - January 2003	MI
30		Subsurface Compositional Simulation Incorporating Solute-Chemistry Dependent Constitutive Relationships: Implications for Site-Assessment and Remediation	Phelan, Thomas J.	University of Michigan	Thompson, Delores		January 2000 - January 2003	MI
31	R827632 <u>Grant</u>	Photo Induced Reduction of Mercury in Lakes, Wetlands, and Soils		University of Michigan - Ann Arbor, Oak Ridge National Laboratory	Stelz, Bill	\$865,771	January 1999 - August 2002	Mi
32	R829395 <u>Grant</u>	Meconium is - A Promising Tool to Detect Fetal Exposure to Environmental Toxins	Ostrea, Enrique M.; Ager, Joel; Blelawski, Dawn; Villanueva-Uy, Esterlita	Wayne State University	Deener, Kacee	\$726,411	January 2001 - August 2004	MI
33	R827584 <u>Grant</u>	Sustainability and Risk of Fragmented Habitats; Development and Regulatory Variables in Shoreline	Lemberg, David; Fraser, Rolland	Western Michigan University	Clark, Matthew	\$104,042	January 1999 - June 2000	MI

34	R827987 <u>Grant</u>	Optimal Experimental Design for Nonmarket Choice Experiments	Kanninen, Barbara J.	Hubert H. Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs	Clark, Matthew	\$61,014	January 2000 - June 2002	MN
35		Methylmercury Sources to Lakes in Forested Watersheds: Has Enhanced Methylation Increased Mercury in Fish Relative to Atmospheric Deposition?	Swain, Edward B.; Almendinger, Jim; Cotner, Jim; Engstrom, Daniel; Harris, Reed; Jeremiason, Jeff; Nater, Edward; Brezonik, Patrick L.	Minnesota Pollution Control Agency, St. Croix Watershed Research Station	Stelz, Bill	\$847,690	January 1999 - September 2002	MN
36	R828579 <u>Grant</u>	Lake Access: Managing Urban Runoff Using Real-Time, Community-Based Monitoring to Improve Lake Water Quality		Suburban Hennepin Regional Park District, MN, Minnehaha Creak Watershed District, University of Minnesota - Duluth	Stevens, Madalene	\$480,690	January 2000 - January 2002	MN
37			Adgate, John L.; Church, Timothy; Pratt, Greg; Ramachandran, Gurumurthy; Sexton, K.; Zhang, Junfeng	University of Minnesota, Minnesota Pollution Control Agency, University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey	Katz, Stacey; Robarge, Gall	\$510,012	December 1999 - December 2002	MN
38	R829620 <u>Grant</u>	lon-Induced Nucleation of Atmospheric Aerosols	МсМипу, Peter H.; Eisele, Fred	University of Minnesota	Savage, Nora	\$400,000	January 2002 - December 2004	MN
39		Effects of Forest Fragmentation on Community Structure and Metapopulation Dynamics of Amphibians	Johnson, Lucinda; Boone, Randall; Gross, John; Johnson, Catherine	University of Minnesota - Duluth, Colorado State University	Senft, Amanda	\$769,623	January 1999 - November 2002	MN
40	R828777 <u>Grant</u>	Protocols for Selection of Classification System and Reference Conditions: A Comparison of Methods	Schuldt, Jeffrey A.; Ciborowski, Jan; Host, George E.; Johnson, Lucinda; Richards, Carl	University of Minnesota – Duluth	Levinson, Barbara	\$707,404	March 2001 - March 2004	MN

41		Development of Environmental Indicators of Condition, Integrity, and Sustainability in the Coastal Regions of the US Great Lakes Basin	Niemi, Gerald J.; Axler, Richard; Hanowski, JoAnn M.; Host, George E.; Howe, Robert W.; Johnson, Lucinda; Johnston, Carol A.; Kingston, John C.; Regal, Ronald R.; Richards, Cari; Swackhamer, Deborah L.	University of Minnesota - Dututh, University of Minnesota - Twin Cities, University of Wisconsin - Green Bay	Levinson, Barbara	\$6,000,000	January 2001 - January 2005	MN
42	R829363 <u>Grant</u>	Pesticide Exposures of Preschool Children Over Time	Wilson, Nancy K.; Chuang, Jane C.; Lyu, Christopher; Strauss, Warren J.	Sattelle Memorial Institute	Saint, Chris	\$1,340,414	January 2001 - September 2005	OH.
45	68D00274 <u>SBIR</u>	Cost Competitive Functional Trivalent Chromium Plating Process To Replace Hexavalent Chromium Plating	Renz, Robert P.	Faraday Technology, Inc.	Manager, SBIR Program		January 2000 - January 2002	ОН
46	R828083 <u>Grant</u>	Mechanism of Non-genotoxic Occupational Carcinogen	Pereira, Michael A.	Medical College of Ohio	Reese, David H.	\$834,714	April 2000 - April 2003	ОН
47		Testing the Potential to Implement Collective Enforcement Agreements in Point-Nonpoint Source Pollution Trading and Voluntary Incentive Agreements	Sohngen, Brent; Randall, Alan	Ohio State University - Main Campus	Clark, Matthew		January 2000 - August 2002	ОН
48		Biomarkers and Neurobehavioral Effects of Perinatal Exposure to Chiorpyrifos and Other Organophosphate Insecticides	Wilkins, J.; Dietrich, Kim; Jacobson, Sandra; Lindsay, R.; Moeschberger, M.; Nishioka, M.; Weghorst, C.	Ohlo State University - Main Campus, University of Cincinna - Main Campus, Wayne State University	Deener, Kacee	\$1,126,463	November 2001 - January 2004	ОН
49		Development of a Membrane-Based Electrostatic Precipitator	Pasic, Hajrudin; Alam, Khairul; Bayless, David; Ingram, David	Ohio University - Main Campu	sShapiro, Paul		January 2000 - July 2002	ОН

51		A New NOx, HC, and Small Particle Filter With a Regeneration-In-Place Capability for Stationary Diesel-Engine Applications	Nelson, Sid	Sorbent Technologies Corporation	Manager, SBIR Program	\$70,000	January 1999 - January 2000	ОН
52	68D01075 <u>SBIR</u>	A Low-Cost, High-Temperature Mercury Sorbent for Coal-Fired Power Plants	Nelson, Sid	Sorbent Technologies Corporation	Manager, SBIR Program	\$225,000	January 2001 - January 2003	ОН
53		A New NOx, HC, and Small Particle Filter With a Regeneration-In-Place Capability for Stationary Diesel Engine Applications	Nelson, Sid	Sorbent Technologies Corporation	Manager, SBIR Program	\$225,000	January 2000 - January 2002	ОН
54		Mechanistic Studies of the Transformation of Polychlorinated Dibenzo-p-Dioxins via Hydroxyl Radical Attack	Taylor, Philip H.	University of Daylon	Shapiro, Paul	\$320,000	January 2000 - September 2003	ОН
55		Trace-level Measurement of Complex Combustion Effluents and Residues using Multi-dimensional Gas Chromatography-Mass Spectrometry (MDGC-MS)	Rubey, Wayne A.; Striebich, Richard; Taylor, Philip H.	University of Dayton	Shapiro, Paul	\$335,000	January 2000 - May 2003	ОН
56		Oxidative Transformation of Model Oxygenated Hazardous Air Pollutants	Taylor, Philip H.; Marshall, Paul	University of Dayton	Shapiro, Paul	\$215,900	July 2000 - July 200	≀он
57	R828206 <u>Grant</u>	Development of a Heterogeneous Catalyst for Hydroformylation in Supercritical CO2	Abraham, Martin A.; Davies, Julian A.; Mason, Mark R.	University of Toledo	Karn, Barbara	\$315,000	January 2000 - June 2003	ОН

60		Bioavaliability of Mercury in Lake Superior	Armstrong, D.E.; Back, Richard C.; Shafer, M. M.;	Madison, Lake Superior State	Stelz, Bill	\$829,384	January 1999 - September 2002	WI
61		Watershed: Design Criteria, Social Constraints, and Effects on Groundwater and Surface Water Systems		Madison, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources	Stelz, Bill	\$886,105	January 2000 - January 2003	WI
62	R829085 <u>Grant</u>	Evaluating the Impact of Multiple Stressors on Common Loon Population Demographics - An Integrated Laboratory and Field Approach	Meyer, Michael W.	Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources	Senft, Amanda	\$490,759	January 2001 - March 2005	WI

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11		PULSES - The Importance of Pulsed Physical Events fo Watershed Sustainability in Coastal Louisiana	I Day, John; Cable, Jaye; Fry, Brian; Justic, Dubravko; Kemp, Paul; Reyes, Enrique; Templet, Paul; Twilley, Robert	Louisiana State University, University of Southwestern Louisiana, University of Louisiana at Lafayette	Stefz, Bill	\$899,995	February 2000 - February 2003	LA.
3		Toward the Development of a Detailed Mechanism of Transition Metal Catalyzed Formation of PCDD/F from Combustion Generated Hydrocarbons	Dellinger, Barry	Louislana State University	Shapiro, Paul	\$345,000	January 2000 - June 2003	LA
4	R828772C003 Centers	Hazardous Substance Research Center/South and Southwest	l Reible, Danny; Edge, Billy; Fitzpatrick, Leigh; Hughes, Joe	Louislana State University, Rice University	Lasat, Mitch	\$899,999	January 2001 - September 2006	LA
5		Forming Carbon-Carbon Bonds in Water and Other Alternative Media	Li, Chao-Jun	Tulane University of Louisiana	Karn, Barbara	\$310,000	January 2000 - May 2003	LA
7		High-Performance, Low-Global-Warming Refrigerants for Domestic Refrigerators	Nimitz, Jonathan S.	Environmental Technology and Education Center Inc.	Manager, SBIR Program	\$224,966	January 1999 - January 2001	NM
8		Fundamental Studies of Wood Interface Modification for Formaldehyde Pollution Avoidance and Prevention	Meister, John J.	Förest Products Research Canter	Karn, Barbara	\$324,254	September 2000 - September 2003	NM

	U915800 <u>Fellow</u>	Treatment of Arsenic Contaminated Drinking Water	Sanchez, Cassia M.	New Mexico State University	Broadway, Virginia	/ Q 13	January 2000 - January 2001	NN
12	68D02038 <u>SBIR</u>	Rapid, Specific, Sensor System for Pathogens in Water	Tiernan, Timothy C.	TPL inc.	Manager, SBIR Program	\$69,046	April 2002 - September 2002	NN
13	R828070 <u>Grant</u>	An Integrated GIS Framework for Water Reallocation and Decision Making in the Upper Rio Grande Basin	Matthews, Olen Paul; Brookshire, David S.; Campana, Michael E.; Chermak, Janie; Cullen, Brad T.; Gregory, Kirk; Krause, Kate; Scuderi, Louis A.; Snell, Seth	University of New Mexico	Stetz, Bill	\$409,977	January 2000 - February 2003	NIV
14	R827963 <u>Grant</u>	The Tulsa Air and Water Quality Information System	Kitz, Hilary; Jeffries, Rhonda; Pinc, Gaylon; Potter, William; Kurlkin, Joanne; Purser, Jane	City of Tulsa, Indian Nations Council of Government, Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality, U.S. Geological Survey, University of Tulsa	Stevens, Madalene	\$500,000	January 2000 - December 2001	OK
15		Development and Preliminary Validation of a Rapid Progestin-Based Endocrine Disruption Screening Assay	Fort, Douglas J.	Fort Environmental Laboratories Inc.	Manager, SBIR Program	\$70,000	April 2002 - September 2002	OK
16	R828210 <u>Grant</u>	Wastewater Reuse and Zero Discharge Cycles in Process Plants	Bagajewicz, Miguel J.; Savelski, Mariano	University of Okiahoma	Karn, Barbara	\$99,988	June 2000 - June 2001	OK
17	R829005 <u>Grant</u>	The Influence of Amphiphilic Molecules on the Environmental Fate and Transport of Pharmaceuticals	G. Kibbey, Tohren C.; Sabatini, David A.	University of Oklahoma	Noft-Helms, Cynthia	\$316,600	January 2001 - Augi 2004	nst OK
18	68D01027 <u>SBIR</u>	Novel Method for Ferrate Production	Denvir, Adrian J.	Lynntech inc.	Manager, SBIR Program	\$70,000	April 2001 - September 2001	TX
22	68D00203 <u>SBIR</u>	New Environmentally Benign Heteropolymolybdate Conversion Coatlings for Aluminum Alloys	Minevski, Zoran	Lynntech inc.	Manager, SBIR Program	\$225,000	January 2000 - January 2002	TX

23	68D01056 <u>SBIF</u>	RA Novel Method for Converting a Negative Value Waste Into a Commodity Chemical	Denvir, Adrian J.	Lynntech Inc.	Manager, SBIR Program	\$225,000	January 2001 - January 2003	TX
24	68D01064 <u>SBIF</u>	A New Microfluidic System for the Determination of Cryptosporidium Oocysts in Water	Hodko, Dalibor	Lynntech Inc.	Manager, SBIR Program	\$225,000	January 2001 - January 2003	ΤX
27	68D02030SBIF	A Universal Technique for Antimicrobial Surface Preparation Using Quaternary Ammonium-Functionalized Dendrimers	Krause, Wendy E.	Lynntech Inc.	Manager, SBIR Program	\$70,000	January 2002 - January 2002	πx
30	R828903 <u>Grant</u>	Chinese Tallow Invasions into the Endangered Coastal Prairie: Causes and Consequences	Siemann, Evan; Grace, James; Rogers, William	Rice University	Senft, Amanda	\$381,687	January 2001 - May 2004	TX
31		New Sensor Technology for Reducing Emissions from Automobiles	Faylor, Henry F.	Texas A & M University	Karn, Barbara	\$220,000	January 2000 - April 2003	TX
32		Development of All-Solid-State Sensors for Measurement of Nitric Oxide and Carbon Monoxide Concentrations by Optical Absorption	Walther, Thomas; Caton, Jerry; Lucht, Robert P.	Texas A & M University	Shapiro, Paul	\$225,000	January 2000 - June 2002	TX
3	R828135 <u>Grant</u>	Homogeneous Catalysis in Supercritical Carbon Dioxide with Fluoroacrylate Copolymer Supported Catalysts	Akgerman, Aydin; Fackler Jr, John P.	Texas A & M University, Texas Engineering Experiment Station		\$315,000	January 2000 - May 2003	TX
34		Exploring the Environmental Impacts of the E-merging Digital Economy: Towards an Informational Ecology for the Greening of Electronic Commerce	Sui, Daniel Z.	Texas A & M University	Stelz, Bill	\$69,777	January 1999 - September 2000	ΤX
35		Gymnodinium breve in the Gulf of Mexico: Gyroxanthin-based Estimates of Carbon-Specific Growth Rates Under Varying Environmental Conditions	Richardson, Tammi L.; Pinckney, James L.	Texas A & M University	Perovich, Gina	\$100,387	November 2001 - November 2004	ΤX

36		Development of Life Cycle Inventory Modules for Semiconductor Processing	Murphy, Cynthia F.; Allen, David T.	University of Texas	Karn, Barbara	\$325,000	January 2000 - March 2003	ΤX
37	R827964 <u>Grant</u>		Kooshian, Charles; Gonzalez-Ayala, Salvador; Gray, Robert		Stevens, Madalene	\$494,935	January 2000 - January 2001	TX.
38		E <u>nvironment</u>	Langford, Richard P.; Pillal Surresh; Schulze-Makuch, Dirk	University of Texas, Texas A & M University	Nolt-Helms, Cynthia	\$437,418	January 2001 - August 2004	TΧ
39			Chappell, Cynthia L.; DuPont, Herbert L.; Janecki, A.; Okhuysen, Pablo C.; Tzipori, Saul; Widmer, Glovanni	University of Texas, Tults University	Noit-Helms, Cynthia	\$524,540	January 2001 - August 2004	TΧ
40	R828035 <u>Grant</u>	Infectivity and Virulence of Cryptosporidium Genotype H Occysts in Healthy Adult Volunteers	Chappell, Cynthia L.; Okhuysen, Pablo C.; Tzipori, Saul; Widmer, Glovanni	University of Texas Health Science Center-Houston	Nolt-Heims, Cynthia	\$503,884	January 2000 - January 2003	тх
41	R827677 <u>Grant</u>	Grande Riparian Corridor; A Multidisciplinary Approach to Understanding Anthropogenic Effects on Riparian Communities in Semi-and Environments	Raney, Jay; Crawford, Melba; Gonzales-Ramos, Javier; Judd, Frank; Lonard, Robert; Neuenschwander, Amy; Paull, Gene; Rieken, Eric; Suillvan, Jeri; Tremblay, Thomas; White, William	University of Texas at Austin, University of Texas - Pan American, University of Texas at Brownsville		\$642,496	January 1999 - August 2002	TX
42	R827930 <u>Grant</u>	Municipal Sewers as Sources of Hazardous Air Pollutants	Corsi, Richard L.	University of Texas at Austin	Katz, Stacey; Robarge, Gall	\$298,798	January 2000 - December 2002	TX

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1		Effect of the Gasoline Oxygenate Ethanol on the Migration and Natural Attenuation of BTEX Compounds in Contaminated Aguifers	Alvarez, Pedro J.J.	University of lowa	Krishnari, S. Bala	\$194,878	January 2000 - May 2002	A
		Development of Nanocrystalline Zeolite Materials as Environmental Catalysts: From Environmentally Benign Synthesis to Emission Abatement	Larsen, Sarah C.; Grasslan, Vicki H.	University of lowa	Karn, Barbara	\$350,000	January 2002 - December 2004	lÁ
	R829090Grant	Assessment of Extinction Risk in Dynámic Landscapes	With, Kimberly A.	Kansas State University	Senft, Amanda	\$219,415	October 2001 - October 2003	KS
	<u>Centers</u>	Substance Research Center for Integrated Remediation Using Managed Natural Systems (CIRUMNS): A University/EPA/Industry Partnership	Alleman, Jim; Bishop, Paul; Burken, Joel; Chapelle, Frank; Dutta, Sisir; Fitch, Mark; Gordon, Milton P.; Leven, Blaze; Love, Nancy; Newman, Lee; Novak, John; Reddi, Lakshmi; Rogstad, Steven; Rugh, Clayton;	Kansas State University, Central State University, Haskell Indian Nations University, Howard University, Michigan State University, Purdue University - Main Campus, University of Cincinnati - Main Campus, University of Missouri - Rolla, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State Univ	Lasat, Mitch	\$6,000,000	January 2000 - September 2005	KS
	Came the La	Performance: The Impact of Enforcement and Non-Enforcement Tools"	Eamhart, Dietrich H.; Ebihara, Tatsuji; Glicksman, Robert; Halder-Markel, Donald	University of Kansas	Cerrillo, Susari	\$341,234	December 2001 - November 2004	KS

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R828156 <u>Gran</u> 1	Effect of the Gasoline Oxygenate Ethanol on the Migration and Natural Attenuation of BTEX Compounds in Contaminated Aquifers	Alvarez, Pedro J.J.	University of lowa	Krishnan, S. Bala	\$194,878	January 2000 - May 2002	A
R829600 <u>Gran</u> t		Larsen, Sarah C.; Grassian, Vicki H.	University of lowa	Karn, Barbara	\$350,000	January 2002 - December 2004	A
R829090 <u>Gran</u> l	Assessment of Extinction Risk in Dynamic Landscapes	With, Kimberly A.	Kansas State University	Senft, Amanda	\$219,415	October 2001 - October 2003	KS
R828772C004 Centers		Frank; Dutta, Sisir; Fitch, Mark; Gordon, Milton P.; Leven, Blaze; Love, Nancy; Newman, Lee; Novak, John; Reddi, Lakshmi; Rogstad, Steven; Rugh, Clayton;	Haskell Indian Nations University, Howard University, Michigan State University, Purdue University - Main	Lasat, Mitch	\$6,000,000	January 2000 - September 2005	KS
R828828 <u>Gran</u> l	Performance: The Impact of Enforcement and Non-Enforcement Tools"	Earnhart, Dietrich H.; Ebihara, Tatsuji; Glicksman, Robert; Halder-Markel, Donald	University of Kansas	Carrillo, Susan	\$341,234	December 2001 - November 2004	KS

6	R829008 <u>Grant</u>	Fate and Effects of Fluoroquinolone Antibacterial Agents in Aquatic Ecosystems	Graham, David W.; Larive, Cynthia K.; Lydy, Michael; deNoyelles, Frank	University of Kansas	Nolt-Helms, Cynthia		August 2001 - August 2004	KS,
		St. Louis: Monitoring Environmental Parameters in a Community at Risk	Forlaw, Blair; Kindleberger, Charles; McGraw, Kevin; Pelli, Sonya; Reardon, Ken	East - West Gateway Coordinating Council	Stevens, Madalene	\$335,000	January 2000 - January 2001	МО
		Real-Time Analysis of Metals in Aqueous Waste Streams	Thomas, Rhys N.	Fayette Environmental Services Inc.	Manager, SBIR Program	\$70,000	April 2002 - September 2002	МО
	R829436 <u>Grant</u>	Study of Phthalates in Pregnant Woman and Children	Swan, Shanna H.	University of Missouri — Columbia	Reese, David H.	\$2,779,164	January 2001 - July 2005	МО
•••		Fate and Transport of 17 B-Estradiol in Karst Aquifers of the Ozark Plateau	Peterson, Eric W.	University of Missouri - St Louis	Boddie, Georgette	Application and the state of th	January 2000 - January 2003	МО
		Development and Implementation of a Comprehensive Lake and Reservoir Strategy for Nebraska as a Model for Agriculturally Dominated Ecosystems	Hoiz, John C.; Bogardi, Istvan; Fritz, Sherilyn C.; Gitelson, Anatoly A.; Hoagland, Kyle D.; Merchant, James W.; Rundquist, Donald C.	University of Nebraska at Lincoln	Levinson, Barbara	\$1,224,706	January 2001 - December 2003	NE

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	High Capacity Sorbent for Removal of Mercury from Flue Gas	Turchi, Craig S.	ADA Technologies inc.	Manager, SBIR Program	\$224 ,976	January 2001 - January 2003	co
	Sample Conditioning System for Real-Time Mercury Analysis	Sjostrom, Sharon M.	Apogee Scientific Inc.	Manager, SBIR Program	\$225,000	January 2001 - January 2003	СО
R827449 <u>Grant</u>		Hobbs, N. Thompson; Baron, Jill S.; Coughenour, Michael B.; Covich, Alan; Loomis, John; Ojima, Dennis; Stohigren, Thomas J.; Theobald, David M.; Weller, Stephan; Cooper, David J.; McDuff, Mallory		Manty, Dale: Turner, Vivian	\$894,846	January 1999 - September 2002	CO
R828636 <u>Grant</u>	Hierarchical Physical Classification of Western Streams: Predicting Biological Condition in Terms of Key Environmental Processes Bridging Local to Ecoregional Scales	Bledsoe, Brian P.; Poff, N. LeRoy; Wohl, Ellen E.	Colorado State University	Levinson, Barbara	\$788,144	January 2001 - January 2004	CO
	Chlorotriazine Protein Binding: Biomarkers of Exposure & Susceptibility	Andersen, Melvin E.; Tessari, John D.	Colorado State University	Deener, Kacee	\$710,617	January 2000 - May 2003	СО

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3	68D01058 <u>SBIF</u>	High Capacity Sorbent for Removal of Mercury from Flue Gas	Turchi, Craig S.	ADA Technologies Inc.	Manager, SBIR Program	\$224,976	January 2001 - January 2003	CO
6	.68D01060 <u>SBIF</u>	Sample Conditioning System for Real-Time Mercury Analysis	Sjostrom, Sharon M.	Apogee Scientific Inc.	Manager, SBIR Program	\$225,000	January 2001 - January 2003	co
)	R827449 <u>Grant</u>	Change on Rocky Mountain National Park and its Gateway Community: Interactions of Multiple Stressors	Hobbs, N. Thompson; Baron, Jili S.; Coughenour, Michael B.; Covich, Alan; Loomts, John; Ojima, Dennis; Stohlgren, Thomas J.; Theobald, David M.; Weller, Stephan; Cooper, David J.; McDuff, Mallory		Manty, Dale; Turner, Vivian	\$894,846	January 1999 - September 2002	СО
0		Hierarchical Physical Classification of Western Streams: Predicting Biological Condition in Terms of Key Environmental Processes Bridging Local to Ecoregional Scales	Bledsoe, Brian P.; Poff, N. LeRoy; Wohl, Ellen E.	Colorado State University	Levinson, Barbara	\$788,144	January 2001 - January 2004	CO
1		Chlorotriazine Protein Binding; Biomarkers of Exposure & Susceptibility	Andersen, Melvin E.; Tessari, John D.	Colorado State University	Deener, Kacee	\$710,617	January 2000 - May 2003	CO

12	R829095 <u>Grant</u>	Applying Spatial and Temporal Modeling of Statistical Surveys to Aquatic Resources	Urquhart, N. Scott; Breidt, F. Jay; Davis, Richard A.; Gitelman, Allx I.; Herlihy, Alan T.; Hoeting, Jennifer A.; Iyer, Hariharan K.; Johnson, Stephen; Loftis, James C.; Reich, Robin M.; Ritter, Kerry J.; Stevens, Don L.; Theobald David M.' Weisberg, Steven B.	Coloredo State University, Oregon State University, Southern California Coastal Water Research Project Authority	Levinson, Barbara	\$2,998,331	January 2001 - September 2005	CO _A
13	R829429 <u>Grant</u>	Impact of Phthalates on the Male: Frog and Rabbit Models	Rao Veeramachaneni, D. N.	Colorado State University	Deener, Kacee	\$852,709	January 2001 - September 2004	co
14	68D01018 <u>SBIR</u>	Regenerable Catalytic Sorbents for the Removal of Mercury From Flue Gas	White, James H.	Eltron Research Inc.	Manager, SBIR Program	\$69,996	April 2001 - September 2001	СО
15	68D01019 <u>SBIR</u>	Miniaturized Electrochemical Sensor for Cr(VI) in Groundwater and Surface Water	Capak, Veronica M.	Eltron Research Inc.	Manager, SBIR Program	\$69,999	April 2001 - September 2001	CO
17		Nontoxic Exotle Species/Organic Compound Waterway Contamination Control	James, Patrick I.	Eltron Research Inc.	Manager, SBIR Program	\$69,994	April 2001 - September 2001	CO.
20		Jonic Liquids as Alternative Solvents for Industrial Alkylation Chemistry	Carter, Michael T.	Eltron Research Inc.	Manager, SBIR Program	\$224,997	January 2000 - January 2002	СО
21	68D02020 <u>SBIR</u>	Fiber Ootic DNAPL Monitor	Carter, Michael T.	Eitron Research Inc.	Manager, SBIR Program	\$69,995	April 2002 - September 2002	CO
22	68D00205 <u>SB</u> IR	A New Coating Method and Apparatus To Reduce Waste and Hazards in Plating	Sunthankar, Mandar	JonEdge Corporation	Manager, SBIR Program	\$225,000	January 2000 - January 2002	СО

23	68D00276SBIRA Novel Approach To Prevention of Acid Rock Drainage (ARD)	Olson, Gregory J.	Little Bear Laboratories Inc.	Manager, SBIR Program	\$224,941	January 2000 - January 2002	СО
26	68D01034SBIRNano-Engineered Hazardous Metal-Free Electronic Components	Hooker, Matthew; Yadav, Tapesh	Nanomaterials Research Corporation	Manager, SBIR Program	\$70,000	April 2001 - September 2001	co
27	68D99060SBIR Real-Time Analytical Technology for Environmental Applications	Miremadi, Bijan	Nanomaterials Research Corporation	Manager, SBIR Program	\$70,000	January 1999 - January 2000	CO
29	68D00256SBIRAGCS Sensor for Gas Leak Detection	Wamsley, Paula R.; Nelson, Loren D.	OPHIR Corporation	Manager, SBIR Program	\$69,958	January 2000 - January 2001	CO
31	68D00281SBIRAn Improved Sorbent for Mercury Abatement	Sell, William L.	TDA Research Inc.	Manager, SBIR Program	\$225,000	January 2000 - January 2002	CO
32	68D01045SBIRNanocomposite Anchored Plasticizers	Myers, Andrew	TDA Research Inc.	Manager, SBIR Program	\$70,000	April 2001 - September 2001	CO
3	68D02037SBIR-Fluorine-Free Hybrid Surfactants for Fire-Fighting Foams	Luebben, Silvia D.	TDA Research Inc.	Manager, SBIR Program	\$70,000	April 2002 - September 2002	СО
34	R828178 <u>Grant</u> <u>Lagrangian Modeling of Plume Dispersal in the Urban</u> Boundary Layer	Weil, Jeffrey C.	University of Colorado at Boulder, Cooperative Institute for Research in Environmental Sciences	Shapiro, Paul	\$172,773	January 2000 - August 2002	СО
15	R829010Grant Microbial Pathogen Removal During Riverbank Filtration	Ryan, Joseph N.; Elimelech, Menachem; Harvey, Ronald W.	University of Colorado at Boulder, U.S. Geological Survey, Yale University	Noti-Helms, Cynthia	\$506,006	January 2001 - August 2004	CO

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	R827676 <u>Grant</u>		Douglas	Arizona State University - West, Arizona State University - Mein Campus	Perovich, Gina	\$629,540	October 1999 - October 2002	AZ
	R829623 <u>Grant</u>	A Nanocontact Sensor for Heavy Metal Ion Detection	Tao, Nongjian	Arizona State University - Main Campus	Savage, Nora	\$375,000	January 2002 - December 2004	AZ
	R828576Grant		Chavez, Kathleen;	Pima County Wastewater Management Department, University of Arizona	Stevens, Madalene	\$400,000	January 2001 - July 2002	AZ
	R828168 <u>Grant</u>	Fundamentals of Mercury Speciation Kinetics; A Theoretical and Experimental Study	Wendt, Jost O.L.; Blowers, Paul	University of Arizona	Shapiro, Paul	\$225,000	January 2000 - August 2002	AZ
	R828732 <u>Grant</u>	and Grasslands of the U.S. Southwest	Morehouse, Barbara J.; Christopherson, Gary L.; Orr, Barron J.; Overpeck, Jonathan T.; Swetnam, Thomas W.; Yool, Stephen R.	University of Arizona	Manty, Dale		January 2000 - January 2003	AZ

6		Organizational Structures, Citizen Participation, and Corporate Environmental Performance	Grant, Don	University of Arizona	Carrillo, Susan	\$35,123	January 2001 - May 2002	AZ
7		Pesticides and Selected Metals Through Intermittent Exposures in Yuma County, Arizona		University of Arizona, Rutgers University	Saint, Chris	\$712,313	January 1999 - April 2002	AZ
8		Restoring and Maintaining Riparian Ecosystem Integrity in Arid Watersheds: Meeting the Challenge through Science and Policy Analysis	Maddock, Thomas; Baker, Victor R.; Colby, Bonnie G.; Glennon, Robert J.; Stromberg, Julie; Rogers, James E.	University of Artzona, Arizona State University - Main Campus		\$849,638	January 1999 - January 2002	ΑZ
9			Brusseau, Mark; Blanford, William; Gerba, Charles P.	University of Arizona	Nott-Heims, Cynthia	\$519,725	January 2001 - August 2004	AZ
10		Optical Monitor for Noninvasive, Chemical- and Size-Differentiated Characterization of Airborne Aerosols	Lord III, Harry C.	Air instruments and Measurements Inc.	Manager, SBIR Program	\$69,783	January 2001 - September 2001	CA
11		Instrument Development for Real-Time Measurement of Particulate Concentration and Primary Particle Size in Diesel Engine Exhaust Using a Novel Implementation of Laser-Induced Incandescence	Bachalo, William D.	Artium Technologies Inc.	Manager, SBIR Program	\$69,992	January 2002 - September 2002	CA
12	R828292 <u>Grant</u>	Gene-environment interaction and human malformations .	Shaw, Gary M.; Carmichael, Suzan L.; Finnell, Richard H.; Lammer, Edward J.; Torfs, Claudine P.	California Birth Defects Monitoring Program	Deener, Kacee	\$3,373,557	January 2000 - June 2005	CA
14		Reburning With Additive Injection of High-Level NOx Control	Benedict, Laksham	EERGC	Manager, SBIR Program	\$225,000	January 1999 - January 2001	CA
17		Combinatorial Screening of High-Efficiency Catalysts for arge-Scale Production of Pyrolytic Carbon Nanotubes	Xiang, Xiao Dong	Internatix Corporation	Manager, SBIR Program	\$69,957	January 2002 - September 2002	CA

8		Health Effects of long-Term Exposure to Particles and Other Air Pollutants in Elderly Nonsmoking California Residents	Knutsen, Synnove F.; Abbey, David E.; Beeson, Larry	Lama Linda University	Katz, Stacey; Robarge, Gail	\$763,910	January 2000 - February 2003	CA
9		A Membrane Process To Recover and Use Methane Emissions	Costa, Andre Da	Membrane Technology and Research Inc.	Manager, SBIR Program	\$70,000	January 2001 - September 2001	CA
0	68D01028 <u>SBIR</u>	Recovery and In-Process Recycle of Product and Feedstocks From Oxo Plant Reactor Purge Gas	Morisato, Atsushi	Membrane Technology and Research Inc.	Manager, SBIR Program	\$70,000	January 2001 - September 2001	CA
ı		Combined Centrifugal Separator/Membrane Ultrafiltration System for Shipboard Treatment of Bilge and Ballast Water	Mairal, Anurag	Membrane Technology and Research Inc.	Manager, SBIR Program	\$70,000	January 2001 – September 2001	CA
3		Recovery of Catalyst Vapors From Foundry Cold Box Core Machines	Wijmans, J. G.	Membrane Technology and Research Inc.	Manager, SBIR Program	\$225,000	January 2000 - January 2002	CA
4	R828042 <u>Grant</u>	Development and Evaluation of Procedures for Detection of Infectious Microsporidia in Source Waters	Rochelle, Paul A.; Leitch, Gordon; Visvesvara, Govinda	Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, Morehouse School of Medicine		\$294,635	January 2000 - January 2002	CA
5		A New Compact Portable Field Instrument for Continuous Real-Time Measurement of Trace Organic Air Pollution Emissions Using Jet-REMPI Mass Spectrometry	Margalith, Eli	OPOTEK Inc.	Manager, SBIR Program	\$69,995	January 2002 - January 2002	CA
6	68D00261 <u>SBIR</u>	A Portable Sensor for Minimizing Hazardous Waste in the Composite Prepreg Industry	Prado, Pablo J.	Quantum Magnetics Inc.	Manager, SBIR Program	\$69,917	January 2000 - September 2001	CA
7		Integrative Indicators of Ecosystem Condition and Stress across Multiple Trophic Levels in the San Francisco Estuary	Dugdale, Richard C.; Arp, Allssa J.; Bollens, Stephen Morgan; Julian, David; Kimmerer, Wim; Thompson, Janet K.; Wilkerson, Frances P.	San Francisco State University, Romberg Tiburon Center, U.S. Geological Survey, University of Florida	Senft, Amanda	\$881,062	January 1999 - September 2002	CA

28	R827927 <u>Grant</u>	Characterization of Urban Air Toxics Sources in Support of HAPs Emission Control Strategies	Coggiola, Dr. Michael J.; Crosley, Dr. David R.; Faris, Dr.Gregory W.; Oser, Dr.Harald		Katz, Stacey; Robarge, Gall	\$506,742	January 1999 - November 2002	CA
29	R827634 <u>Grant</u>	Processes Controlling the Chemical/Isotopic Speciation and Distribution of Mercury from Contaminated Mine Sites	Brown Jr., Gordon E.; Grolimund, Daniel; Gustin, Mae Sexauer; Ireland, Trevor R.; Kim, Christopher S.; Rytuba, James J.; Lowry, Greg	Stanford University, University of Neveda - Reno, U.S. Geological Survey	Stelz, Billi	\$708,634	January 1999 - September 2002	CA
30	R829362 <u>Grant</u>	Estimating Longitudinal Aggregate and Cumulative Exposure and Intake Dose for Young Children	Leckie, James O.	Stanford University	Saint, Chris	\$540,709	January 2001 - September 2004	CA
31	R828193 <u>Grant</u>	Products of Incomplete Combustion in the Incineration of Brominated Hydrocarbons	Senkan, Selim M.	UCLA	Shapiro, Paul	\$350,000	January 2000 - June 2003	CA
32		Novel Catalytic Air Cleaner for Removal of VOCs and Particulates From Indoor Air	Scott, David J.	Ultramet	Manager, SBIR Program	\$70,000	January 1999 - January 2000	CA
33		Vulnerability Assessment of San Joaquin Basin Water Supply, Ecological Resources, and Rural Economy Due to Climate Variability and Extreme Weather Events	Dracup, John A.; Grober, Leslie: Howift, Richard; Oswald, William	University of California - Berkeley, Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board, University of California - Davis, University of California - Los Angeles	Manty, Dale; Turner, Vivian	\$859,654	January 1999 - June 2002	CA
34		Tracking Deterrent Messages in Environmental Enforcement	Kagan, Robert A.; Gunningham, Nel; Thornton, Dorothy	University of California – Barkeley	Carrillo, Susan	\$349,981	June 2001 - May 2003	CA
35		Prescribed Burning Impacts on Riparian and Stream Environments	Rogers, Leah A.	University of California – Berkeley	Morehouse, Karen		January 2000 - January 2003	CA
36		Computer-Aided Hybrid Models for Environmental and Economic Life-Cycle Assessment	Horvath, Arpad; Eyerer, Peter; Hendrickson, Chris	University of California - Barkeley, Carnegie Melion University, University of Stuttgart	Kam, Barbara	\$325,000	January 2002 - December 2004	CA

37			Doyle, Fiona M.; Evans, James W.	University of California – Berkelay	Savage, Nora	\$325,000	January 2002 - December 2004	CA
38	R829612 <u>Grant</u>	The Use of Marketable Permits for Pesticide Control	Zilberman, David	University of California – Berkeley	Clark, Matthew	\$175,217	January 2002 - January 2003	CA
39	R829665 <u>Grant</u>	Valuing Reduced Asthma Morbidity in Children	Hanemann, Michaei	University of California - Berkeley, University of Massachusetts - Amherst	Clark, Matthew	\$328,205	January 2002 - January 2003	CA
40			Weinberg, Marca; Wilen, James; Quinn, James	University of California — Davis	Clark, Matthew	\$125,000	January 1999 - September 2002	CA
41	R827404 <u>Grant</u>		Golub, Mari S.; Gershwin, M. Eric; Hendrickx, Andrew G.	University of California - Davis	Reese, David H.	\$670,805	January 1999 - August 2002	CA
42				University of California - Davis, University of California - Santa Barbara	Levinson, Barbara	\$5,998,221	January 2000 - September 2004	CA.
43				University of California - Davis, South Dakota State (University, University of Nebraska at Lincoln, Oklahomi State University - Main Campu		\$248,461	January 2000 - March 2002	CA
44	R827442 <u>Grant</u>	Increased Vulnerability of Neonates to Naphthalene and Its Derivatives	Fanucchi, Michelle V.; Buckpitt, Alan; Plopper, Charles	University of California – Davis	Deener, Kacee	\$374,543	January 1999 - September 2002	CA
45		Health Effects of Concentrated Ambient Particles from the Central Valley of California	Pinkerton, Kent E.; Sloutas, Constantinos	University of California - Davis, University of Southern California	Katz, Stacey; Robarge, Gail	\$633,328	January 2000 - January 2003	CA

46	R828896 <u>Grant</u> <u>Hybridization Between an Invasive Exotic and a Declinin Native Amphibian: Molecular Characterization, Ecological Dynamics, and Genetic Remediation</u>		Davis	Senft, Amanda		August 2001 - August 2004	CA
47	R829215 <u>Grant</u> Health Effects of Airborne Particulate Matter and Gasses	Ann; Buckpitt, Alan;	University of California - Davis, University of Utah, Utah State University	Katz, Stacey	\$833,481	January 2001 – September 2004	CA
48	U915768 <u>Fellowinfluence of Aggregate Versus Dispersed Live Tree</u> Retention on an Arboreal Forage Lichen	Rambo, Thomas R.	University of California – Davis	Rosenthal, Sheila		January 2000 - January 2003	CA
49	R827398 <u>Grant Froq Deformities: Role of Endocrine Disruptors During</u> Development	Gardiner, David M.; Blumberg, Bruce	University of California – Irvine	Reese, David H.	\$1,194,536	January 1999 - September 2002	CA
50	R828011Grant Identification and Control of Non-Point Sources of Microbial Pollution in a Coastal Watershed	Alex; Keller, Robin;	University of California - Irvine, University of California - Berkelay, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill		\$895,234	January 2000 - July 2003	CA
1	R829439Grant Latent Effects of Gestational Exposure to Heptachlor	Baker, Dean	University of California – Irvine	Reese, David H.	\$1,931,310	January 2002 - February 2005	CA
52	R827637Grant Developing an Indicator for Nutrient Supply In Tropical and Temperate Estuaries, Bays, and Coastal Waters Using the Tissue Nitrogen and Phosphorus Content of Macroalgae	Fong, Peggy	University of California - Los Angeles	Senft, Amanda	\$399,335	January 1999 - July 2002	CA

	R827352C001 Centers		Edward L.; Cass, Glen; Cho, Arthur K.; Cohen, Yoram; Colome, Steven D.; Eastmond, David A.; Eldering, Annmarie; Friedlander, Sheldon;		Katz, Stacey; Robarge, Gall	\$8,715,583	January 1999 - May 2004	
54		Not All Deaths are Created Equal: Understanding Individual Preferences for Reductions in Morbidity-Mortality Events	DeShazo, J. R.; Cameron, Trudy	University of California - Los Angeles	Clark, Matthew	\$360,756	January 2001 - September 2003	CA
5	R828160 <u>Grant</u>	Biosensors for Field Monitoring of Organophosphate Pesticides		University of California - Riverside, New Mexico State University	Krishnan, S. Bala	\$227,169	January 2000 - May 2002	CA
6	R828173 <u>Grant</u>	Development of a Thermal Description Mass Spectrometric Method for Measuring Vapor Pressures of Low-Volatility Organic Aerosol Compounds	Ziemann, Paul J.	University of California – Riverside	Shapiro, Paul	\$84,111	January 2000 - July 2002	CA
7		Zeolite Coatings by In-Situ Crystallization as an Environmentally Benign Alternative to Chromate Conversion and Anodization Coatings	Yan, Yushan	University of California – Riverside	Richards, April	\$250,316	January 2000 - December 2002	CĀ
8	R828040 <u>Grant</u>	Development of a Rapid, Quantitative Method for the Detection of Infective Coxsackle and Echo Viruses in Drinking Water	Yates, M. V.; Chen, Wilfred; Mulchandani, Ashok	University of California – Riverside	Noit-Helms, Cynthia	\$321,784	January 2000 - September 2002	CA

59	R828901 <u>Grant</u>	Abiotic Controls on Invasive Species and Biodiversity: Comparison of Forest and Shrubland	Meixner, Thomas; Allen, Edith B.; Fenn, Mark; Poth, Mark	University of California – Riverside	Senft, Amanda	\$448,122	July 2001 - July 2004	CA
60	R829404 <u>Grant</u>	Evaluation of Monoterpene Producing Plants for Phytoremediation of PCB and PAH Contaminated Soils	Crowley, David E.; Borneman, James	University of California – Riverside	Lasat, Mitch	\$393,135	January 2001 - October 2004	CA
61	R829606 <u>Grant</u>	Nanoscale Biopolymers with Tunable Properties for Improved Decontamination and Recycling of Heavy Metals	Chen, Wilfred; Matsumoto, Mark; Mulchandani, Ashok	University of California – Riverside	Karn, Barbara	\$390,000	January 2002 - January 2005	CA
2		Nanostructured Porous Silicon and Lurninescent Polysiloles as Chemical Sensors for Carcinogenic Chromium(VI) and Arsenic(V)	Trogler, William C.; Sailor, Michael J.	University of California - San Diego	Savage, Nora	\$400,000	January 2002 - December 2004	CA
3	R829088 <u>Grant</u>	Individual Variability, Environmental Stressors, and Sampling Uncertainty in Wildlife Risk Assessment		University of California - Santa Barbara, University of South Florida	Senft, Amenda	\$426,954	January 2001 - August 2004	CA
 I	R827999 <u>Grant</u>	Acute Cardiopulmonary Responses to Fine Particulate Pollution and Copollutant Oxidant Gase in Los Angeles	Gong, Henry; Sioutas, Constantinos	University of Southern California, Rancho Los Amigos Medical Center	Katz, Stacey; Robarge, Gail	\$613,894	March 2000 - March 2003	CA
i		Restoration Options with Watershed-based activities in	Richmond, Robert H.; Hamnett, Dr.Michael; Wolanski, Dr.Eriç	University of Guam, University of Hawaii at Honolulu	Stelz, Bill	\$795,249	January 2000 - December 2002	GU
3	R829093 <u>Grant</u>	Habitat Degradation and Introduced Diseases Stress the Endangered Hawaii Akepa	Freed, Leonard A.; Cann, Rebecca L.; Goff, Lee M.	University of Hawaii at Manoa	Senft, Amanda	\$510,375	January 2001 - June 2004	н

legion 10 Active Projects:

- Science To Achieve Results (STAR) Grants Science To Achieve Results (STAR) Fellowships Small Business Innovation Research

4	<u>Identifier</u>	Abstract	Principal Investigator	Institution	Grant Representative	Grant Amount	Project Period	State
	68D01043 <u>SBIR</u>	Development of Recycled Glass Paving Materials	Kirby, Robert J.	Sandhill Industries	Maneger, SBIR Program	\$62,300	January 2001 - September 2001	AK
2	68D99033 <u>SBIR</u>	Clean Internal Combustion Engine Emissions With Catalytic Ignition System and Water-Alcohol Fuels	Cherry, Mark A.	Aqualytic Technologies Inc.	Manager, SBIR Program	\$70,000	January 1999 - January 2000	ID
	R828158 <u>Grant</u>	Fundamental and Applied Chemistry Relevant to the iUse of Humic	Von Wandruszka, Ray	University of Idaho	Krishnan, S. Bala	\$188,697	January 2000 - June 2002	ID
1	R827931 <u>Grant</u>	Understanding Observed Differences in Time-Preference Rates	Gregory, Robin; Slovic, Paul; Arvai, Joseph; Burns, Katie; Finucane, Melissa; Knetsch, Jack; Lichtenstein, Sarah; Peters, Ellen	Decision Science Research Institute Inc.	Clark, Matthew	\$228,463	September 1999 - September 2001	OR
	R827639 <u>Grant</u>	Molecular Detection of Anaerobic Bacteria as Indicator Species for Fecal Pollution in Water	Field, Katharine G.	Oregon State University	Senft, Amanda	\$223,829	January 1999 - October 2002	OR
1	R828309 <u>Grant</u>	Regional Analysis of Net Ecosystem Productivity of Pacific Northwest Forests: Scaling Methods, Validation and Results Across Major Forest Types and Age Classes	Law, B. E.; Acker, S.; Cohen, W.; Daly, C.; Harmon, M. E.; Turner, D.; Unsworth, M.	Oregon State University	Perovich, Gina	\$1,848,927	January 2000 - June 2003	OR

7	R828772C005 <u>0</u> enters	:Western Region Hazardous Substance Research Center for Developing In-Situ Processes for VOC Remediation in Groundwater and Solls	Semprini, Lewis	Oregon State University	Lasat, Milch	\$900,000	January 2001 - May 2006	OR
	R829096 <u>Grant</u>	National Research Program on Design-Based/Model-Assisted Survey Methodology for Aquatic Resources	Stevens, Don L.; Breidt, F. Jay; Conquest, Loveday; Courbois, Jean-Yves; Gitelman, Alti, Herlihy, Alan T.; Hughes, Robert; Lesser, Virginia; Munoz-Hernandez, Breda; Murtaugh, Paul; Opsomer, Jean; Sifneos, Jean; Smith, Ruben; Urquhart, N. Scott	Oregon State University, Colorado State University, Iowa State University, University of Washington	Levinson, Barbara	\$2,989,884	October 2001 - October 2005	OR
9	R829610 <u>Grant</u>	Reappraisal of the Welfare and Policy Implications of Environmental Taxation with Preexisting Revenue-raising Taxes	Jaeger, William K.	Oregon State University	Clark, Matthew	\$99,062	January 2002 - January 2005	OR
10	R827898 <u>Grant</u>	A nonparametric Bayesian approach for quantifying herbicide exposure in streams	Qian, Song S.; Pan, Yangdong; Pratt, James R.	Portland State University	Fields, Nigel	\$166,519	November 1999 - November 2001	OR
11	R828179 <u>Grant</u>	A New Application of the Fundamental Physics of Atmospheric Pressure Ionization Mass Spectrometry to Ozone and Fine Particulate Formation Mechanisms	O'Brien, R. J.; Atkinson, Dean B.	Portland State University	Shapiro, Paul	\$223,574	January 2000 - June 2002	OR
13	R827454 <u>Grant</u>	Impact of Climate on the Lower Yakima River Basin	Vall, Lance; Branch, Kristi; Dauble, Dennis; Leung, L Ruby; Saxton, Keith; Scott, Mike; Stockte, Claudio; Wigmosta, Mark	Battelle Memorial Institute, Pacific Northwest Division, Washington State University	Manty, Dale	\$869,364	April 2000 - April 2003	WA
14	R828044 <u>Grant</u>	Bioavailability of Haloacetates in Human Subjects	Schultz, Irvin R.; Bull, Richard J.; Poet, Torka; Shangraw, Robert	Battelle Memorial Institute, Pacific Northwest Division	Nolt-Helms, Cynthia	\$524,928	September 2000 - September 2003	WA
15	R828039 <u>Grant</u>	Detection of Emerging Microbial Contaminants in Source and Finished Drinking Water	Chandler, Darrell P.; DeLeon, Ricardo	Battelle Memorial Institute, Pacific Northwest Division, Metropolitan Water District of Southern California	Nolt-Heims, Cynthia	\$517,818	January 2000 - January 2003	WA

6	R828608 <u>Grant</u>	Development of a Physiologically Based Pharmacokinetic/ Pharmacodynamic (PBPK/PD) Model to Quantitate Biomarkers of Exposure for Organophosphate Insecticides	Timchalk, Charles; Campbell, James A.; Poet, Torka	Battelle Memorial institute, Pacific Northwest Division	Deener, Kacee	\$733,174	January 2001 - December 2003	WA
3	68D00241 <u>SBIR</u>	Removal of Mercury and Other Heavy Metals of Industrial and Contaminated Site Waste Waters by Organic Chelation, Coprecipitation, and High Efficiency Particulate Removal	Bloom, Nicolas S.; Hensman, Carl E.	Frontier Geosciences inc.	Manager, SBIR Program	\$70,000	January 2000 - January 2001	WA
)	68D01062 <u>SBIR</u>	Removal of Mercury and Other Heavy Metals of industrial and Contaminated Site Waste Waters by Organic Chelation, Coprecipitation and High-Efficiency Particulate Removal	Bloom, Nicolas S.; Hensman, Carl E.	Frantier Geosciences inc.	Manager, SBIR Program	\$225,000	January 2001 - September 2003	W/A
)	68D02025 <u>SBIR</u>	A Portable Spectrometer for the Accurate Determination of Arsenic in Waters	Gurleyuk, Hakan	Frontier Geosciences Inc.	Manager, SBIR Program	\$70,000	January 2002 - September 2002	WA
1	R828825 <u>Grant</u>	Normative, Social, and Calculated Motivations for Compliance: Marine Facilities and Water Pollution	May, Peter J.	University of Washington	Carrillo, Susan	\$227,303	June 2001 - June 2004	WA
2	R827355 <u>Center</u>	sNorthwest Research Center for Particulate Air Pollution and Health University of Washington	Koenig, Jane Q.; Checkoway, Harvey; Claiborn, Candis; Covert, David; Kalman, Dave; Kaufman, Joel; Kavanagh, Terrance J.; Larson, Timothy V.; Liu, Sally; Luchtel, Daniel L.; Lumley, Thomas; Rosenfeld, Michael; Sheppard, Lianne; Siscovick, David	University of Washington, Washington State University	Katz, Stacey; Robargé, Gall	\$8,288,977	January 1999 - May 2004	WA
3	R827355C002C enters	Health Effects of PM in Susceptible Populations	Koenig, Jane Q.; Jansen, Karen; Kaufman, Joel; Larson, Timothy V.; Liu, Sally; Lumley, Thomas; Sheppard, Lianne; Sullivan, Jeff, Trenga, Carol; Budge, Matt; Mar, Therese; Schildcrout, Jonathan; Slaughter, C.	University of Washington	Katz, Stacey; Robarge, Gail	\$8,288,977	January 1999 - May 2004	WA

24	R827355C003C lenters	Personal PM Exposure Assessment	Liu, Sally; Claibom, Candis; Gundel, Lara; Larson, Timothy V.	University of Washington, Washington State University	Katz, Stacey; Robarge, Gail	\$8,288,977	January 1999 - May 2004	WA
25	enters	Doslmetry Assessment: Aerosol Number, Size Distribution, and Dosimetry Measurements and Modeling	Covert, David; Elléman, Rob; Kim, Eugene; Larson, Timothy V.	University of Washington	Katz, Stacey; Robarge, Gail	\$8,288,977	January 1999 - May	WA
26		Epidemiologic Study of Particulate Matter and Cardiopulmonary Mortality	Kaufman, Joel; Checkoway, Harvey; Koenig, Jane Q.; Sheppard, Lianne; Siscovick, David	University of Washington	Katz, Stacey; Robarge, Gail	\$8,288,977	January 1999 - May 2004	WA
7		Mechanisms of Toxicity of PM Using Transgenic Mouse Strains	Luchtel, Daniel L.; Ladiges, Warren; Larson, Tirnothy V.; Lewtas, Joellen	University of Washington	Katz, Stacey; Robarge, Gail	\$8,288,977	January 1999 - May 2004	WA
8		Application of Remotely-sensed Data To Regional Analysis and Assessment of Stream Temperature in the Pacific Northwest	Burges, Stephen J.; Booth, Derek B.; Gillespie, Alan R.	University of Washington – Seattle	Perovich, Gina	\$998,395	January 2000 - March 2003	WA
9		Saliva Bio-monitoring for Oroanophosphorus Pesticide Exposures in Children	Feriske, Richard; Lu, Chun; Lu, Alex	University of Washington – Seattle	Deener, Kacee	\$742,597	January 2000 - August 2003	WA
10		Integrating Salmon Habitat Restoration and Flood Hazard Initiatives: Societal/Biophysical Estimators for the Cedar River and Implications for Regional Rivers	Wissmar, Robert C.; Fluharty, David L.; Leschine, Thomas M.	University of Washington – Seattle	Stelz, Bill	\$749,991	January 1999 - January 2002	WA
1	R827405 <u>Grant</u>	Endocrine Disruptors and Testis Development	Skinner, Michael K.	Washington State University	Reese, David H.	\$534,583	January 1999 - July 2002	WA
12		Physiological Mechanisms of Estuarine Sediment Oxidation by Spartina Cordgrasses	Lee, Raymond	Washington State University	Lasat, Mitch	\$110,307	January 2001 - October 2004	WA

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- Provide the Regions with near-term research on high-priority, Region-specific science needs;
- Improve collaboration between Regions and ORD Labs and Centers; and
- Build a foundation for future scientific interaction.

Annually, ORD provides about \$100,000 to each Region to develop a research topic. That topic is then submitted to a specific ORD laboratory or center as an extramural research proposal. Once approved, the research is conducted as a joint effort with ORD researchers and Regional staff working together to meet Region-specific needs. Each Region's Regional Science Liaison (RSL) coordinates RARE program activities and is responsible for ensuring the research results are effectively communicated and utilized in the Region.

REGION 1 RARE PROGRAMS

Project Title	Lab/Center	Division	Year Project Initiated	Status
EPA New England Toxic Sediments Inventory.	NHEERL	AED	2001	Active
Immunochemical Methods Development and Evaluation.	NERL	ESD	1997	Active
Investigations into the Causes of Amphibian Malformations in the Lake Champlain Basin.	NHEERL	M-CED	2000	Active
Mercury cycling in New England estuaries: A collaborative study in Great Bay, New Hampshire.	NERL	ESD	1998	Active
The Role of Natural Processes Towards Arsenic Mobilization in Landfill Leachate Plumes, Central Massachusetts: An integrated Approach Employing GIS, Relational Databases, and Thermodynamic Chemical Equilibrium Modeling.	NRMRL	SPRD	2001	Active
Alternatives to Traditional On-site Wastewater Treatment: A Demonstration Project.	NRMRL	WSWRD	1991	Completed
Aquatic Macro-Invertebrates in Urbanizing Wetlands: Further Development of Wetland Water Quality Standards and Biological Criteria.	NHEERL	WED	1994	Completed
Assessment in Changes in the Chlorinated Organic Compound Concentrations in Endangered Whales.	NHEERL	AED	1993	Completed
Boston Harbor Ecosystem Recovery.	NHEERL	AED	1993	Completed
Development and Field Testing of Underwater Radiation Detection Instrumentation for use in Risk Assessment.	NERL	ESD	1992	Completed
Development of a Forest Canopy and Land Use Data System for Biogenic Hydrocarbons for Biogenic Hydrocarbons.	NRMRL	APPCD	1990	Completed
Evaluation of Remote Sensing Devices for the Purpose of Developing Cost-Effective and Accurate Emission Inventory Methods.	NCER	Peer Review	1995	Completed
Field Evaluation of Global Positioning Equipment.	NERL	ESD	1991	Completed
Field Test of NOAA/NURP Platform to Conduct Underwater Surveys for Assessing Risks.	NHEERL	AED	1992	Completed
Pilot Home Asthma Intervention Study in Boston Public Housing.	NRMRL	APPCD	1999	Completed

REGION 2 RARE PROGRAMS

Project Title	Lab/Center	Division	Year Project Initiated	Status
American Lobster Mortalities in Long Island Sound.	NHEERL	AED	2000	Active
Macroinvertebrate Protocols on Estuaries in New Jersey.	NHEERL	AED	2001	Active
Airborne Sources of Nitrogen Species and Toxic Particulates in the Waters of Long Island Sound.	NERL	AMD	1992	Completed
Development of Gene Probes for Detection of Crptosporidium Oocysts in Water.	NERL	MCEARD	1992	Completed
Historic Loading Estimates for Lake Ontario.	NHEERL	M-CED	1991	Completed
Identification of Organic Contaminants in Sediments.	NHEERL	AED	1994	Completed
Laboratory Directed Research and Development Project in Support of the New York and New Jersey Harbor Sediment Decontamination Program.	NRMRL	WSWRD	1997	Completed
Mercury Speciation Quality Control Procedures for Water, Soil, Sediment, and Tissue.	NRMRL	LRPCD	1993	Completed
Model Support for Study on Loadings in Lake Ontario.	NHEERL	M-CED	1990	Completed
Multilaboratory Comparison and Validation Study of Chlorophyll Methods.	NERL	MCEARD	1995	Completed
Puerto Rico Groundwater Tracing Study.	NCEA	NCEA WDC	1992	Completed
Relationship of THM Precursors in Source Water to Distribution Systems.	NRMRL	WSWRD	1999	Completed

REGION 3 RARE PROGRAMS

Division	Year Project Initiated	Status
ESD	2002	Active
ERD	2001	Active
GED	1999	Active
EERD	2001	Active
EERD	2002	Active
		Active
ND	2000	Active
GED	1999	Active
HEASD	1995	Completed
HEASD	1993	Completed
M-CED	1989	Completed
GED	1999	Completed
	GED	GED 1999

REGION 3 RARE PROGRAMS [continued]

Project Title	Lab/Center	-Division-	Year Project Initiated	Status
Development of the Scientific Basis for Promulgation of Bay-wide Dissolved Oxygen, Light Penetration, Nutrient and Suspended Sediment Water Quality Standards for Chesapeake Bay.	NHEERL	AED	1998	Completed
Ecoregion Index of Biological Integrity.	NERL	EERD	1992	Completed
Evaluation of Migration Techniques for Non-Radon Indoor Air Pollutants.	NRMRL	APPCD	1990	Completed
Evaluation of the Potential Impacts of Surface Mining Activities on Instream Ecological Resources.	NERL	EERD	1990	Completed
Investigations of the Effects of Cyclic Dissolved Oxygen on Estuarine Organisms.	NHEERL	AED	1993	Completed
NOx Control Technology Costs for Coal-Fired Boilers.	NRMRL	APPCD	1992	Completed
Risk Assessment of Habitat and Biodiversity in the Pocono Region of Pennsylvania.	NHEERL	WED	1992	Completed
Study of Environmental Equity Using Human Environmental Effects and Exposure Indicators.	NERL	HEASD	1994	Completed
Use of Biological Communities as Indicators of Nutrient Enrichment and Toxic Contamination in Middle Atlantic Coastal Estuaries.	NHEERL	AED	1997	Completed
Wetland Mapping and Assessment.	NERL	ESD	1989	Completed

REGION 4 RARE PROGRAMS

Project Title	Lab/Center	Division -	Year Project Initiated	Status
The Use of an Automated Ribotyping Assay for Identification and Source Tracking of Microbial Water Quality Indicators: A Florida Gulf Coast Ecosystem and Human Health Study.	NERL	MCEARD	2001	Active
Vertical Atmospheric Profile of Mercury Species Over South Florida.	NRMRL	APPCD	1999.	Active
Development of Methods for the Detection of Speciated Mercury Emissions Using a Continuous Emissions Monitor.	NERL	HEASD	1996	Completed
Distribution and Control of Mercury Methylation in the Everglades.	NERL	ERD	1994	Completed
Identification and Control of Toxicity Sources in Industrial Discharges and Stormwater Runoff at Calvert City Industrial Complex.	NHEERL	M-CED	1990	Completed
Investigation on Specific Rates of Mercury Transformations as a Source of Methylmercury Contamination in the Florida Everglades.	NHEERL	GED	1991	Completed
Investigations to Determine the Minimum Dissolved Oxygen Requirements of Saltwater Animals Inhabiting Estuaries of the Gulf of Mexico and Southeast Atlantic Ocean.	NHEERL	AED	1992	Completed

REGION 5 RARE PROGRAMS

Project Title	Lab/Center	Division	Year Project Initiated	Status
Emissions Profile Characterization of Lake Michigan Pollutant Sources - Part I.	NRMRL	APPCD	2000	Active
Emissions Profile Characterization of Lake Michigan Pollutant Sources - Part II.	NERL	HEASD	2000	Active
Emissions Profile Characterization of Lake Michigan Pollutant Sources - Part III.	NERL	HEASD	2000	Active
Identifying and Predicting Diving Plume Behavior at Groundwater Sites Containing MTBE: Part 1 Supplemental Funding for Activities in FY 2002.	NRMRL	SPRD	2001	Active
Identifying and Predicting Diving Plume Behavior at Groundwater Sites Contaminated with MTBE: Part 1.	NRMRL	SPRD	2001	Active
Identifying and Predicting Diving Plume Behavior at Groundwater Sites Contaminated with MTBE: Part 2.	NRMRL	SPRD	2001	Active
Remediation of Radium from Contaminated Soil.	NRMRL	SPRD	1997	Active
Biochemistry and Genetics of Polychlorinated Biphenyl Degradation by Bacteria.	NERL	MCEARD	1990	Completed
Columbus Ohio Incinerator, Soil Dioxin Study.	NERL	ESD	1995	Completed
Feasibility Study for Treating PCB-Contaminated River Sediments in Steel-Making Blast Furnaces.	NRMRL	LRPCD	1990	Completed
Field Evaluation of Aquatic Ecosystems to Pesticide Stress.	NHEERL	M-CED	1991	Completed
Holding Times for Sediment Biotest Procedures.	NHEERL	M-CED	1993	Completed
Investigation of the Role of UV Radiation in Frog Malformations.	NHEERL	M-CED	1998	Completed
Model Assessment of the Annual Atmospheric Deposition of Toxic Metals to Lake Michigan.	NERL	AMD	1992	Completed
Saginaw Bay Targeting, Pollution Prevention and Source Reduction Project.	NERL	ESD	1994	Completed
Sediment and Fish Sample Analysis to Determine Historical Loadings for Lake Ontario for a Wide Range of Anthropogenic Organic Chemicals.	NHEERL	M-CED	1990	Completed

REGION 6 RARE PROGRAMS

Project Title	Lab/Center	Division	Year Project Initiated	Status
Ambient Air Toxics in Houston-Galveston Area with High and Low TRI Emissions - A Pilot Study of Temporal and Spatial Concentrations Using Passive Sampling Devices (PSDs).	NERL	HEASD	1999	Active
Ambient Air Toxics in Houston-Galveston Area with High and Low TRI Emissions - Phase II of A Pilot Study of Temporal and Spatial Concentrations Using Passive Sampling Devices (PSDs).	NERL	HEASD	2002	Active
Data Collection and Processing of Landscape Assessments in the White River Basin, AR.	NERL	ESD	2000	Active
Development of Preliminary Hydrology Calibration for Tensas River Basin with HSPF	NERL	ESD	1997	Active
Ecoregion Delineation in Texas.	NHEERL	WED	2002	Active
Bottlenose Dolphin Mortality in the Gulf of Mexico: Toxicological and Pathological Analysis.	NHEERL	AED	1991	Completed
Conduct a Synoptic Assessment of the White River and Yazoo River Basins in Arkansas.	NHEERL	WED	1994	Completed
Coupling Landscape Characterization and Water Quality Modeling in the Tensas River Basin as a Pilot for Understanding and Reducing Nutrient Impacts on Hypoxia in the Gulf of Mexico.	NERL	ERD	1998	Completed
Development and Evaluation of Borehole Flowmeter Techniques.	NRMRL	SPRD	1990	Completed
Development of a Geographic Information Data Network for Natural Resource Conservation in the Lower Mississippi Alluvial Valley in Arkansas.	NHEERL	WED	1995	Completed
Development of Pesticides Total Exposure Model for Region 6.	NERL	ESD	1992	Completed
Effects of Hydroperiod on Nitrification and Plant Growth.	NRMRL	SPRD	1994	Completed
Estimation of Population Exposure to Pesticides in Region 6 Using Exposure Models and Existing Databases.	NERL	ESD	1991	Completed
Field Comparison of Portable Gas Chromatographs.	NERL	MCEARD	1994	Completed
Iron Treatment of Lead-Contaminated Media.	NRMRL	LRPCD	1993	Completed
Landscape Assessment of the Tensas River Basin, LA.	NERL	ESD	1997	Completed
Manual on Microbial Rock Plant Filters - Region 6.	NRMRL	WSWRD	1992	Completed

REGION 7 RARE PROGRAMS

Project Title	Lab/Center	Division	Year Project Initiated	Status
Advanced Monitoring of Constructed Wetlands Performance in Nebraska.	NRMRL	WSWRD	1998	Active
Application of Biological Aerated Filters to Meet NPDES Ammonia Limits for Small Communities.	NRMRL	WSWRD	2001	Active
Ecoregionalization of Missouri and Development Map/poster of Level III and IV Ecoregions in of Missouri and Iowa.	NHEERL	WED	2000	Active
High Performance Side-Stream Nitrification of Municipal Biosolids Treatment Decants.	NRMRL	TTSD	2000	Active
Long-Term Detention for the Stabilization of Wastewater Biosolids for Small Communities.	NRMRL	TTSD	2001	Active
Pathogen Removal Characteristics in Constructed Wetlands Systems.	NRMRL	WSWRD	1999	Active
Production of Biopesticides from Wastewater Plant Biosolids.	NRMRL	TTSD	2002	A ctive
Urban Remote Sensing for Land Use Change and Impacts.	NERL	ESD	2001	Active
Agroecosystem Indicator Study - Region 7.	NERL	ERD	1991	Completed
Charcoal Kiln Emission.	NRMRL	APPCD	1997	Completed
Chronic Effects of Atrazine Background Levels on Platte River Algae.	NHEERL	M-CED	1994	Completed
Hydrologic Modeling of Cheyenne Bottoms Wetland.	NERL	ERD	1994	Completed
Investigation of Global Positioning Systems Single Frequency Hardware.	NRMRL	SPRD	1993	Completed
MicroWell Demonstration Project - Vadose Zone Investigation and Ground-Water Profiling Using Microwells at the North Landfill Subsite, Hastings, NE.	NRMRL	SPRD	1997	Completed
Missouri River Benthic Fish Study.	NHEERL	M-CED	1998	Completed
Regional Lead-Risk Reduction Initiative.	NERL	HEASD	1992	Completed

REGION 7 RARE PROGRAMS [continued]

Project Title	Lab/Center	Division	Year Project Initiated	Status
Spatial Metrics for Ecological Land Type Associations in Region 7.	NERL	ESD	1999	Completed
Study of the Effect of Redox Conditions for Transformation of Carbon Tetrachloride.	NRMRL	SPRD	1990	Completed
Study of the Role of Deep-Rooted Poplar Trees in Adding Organic Carbon to Soil for Pesticides and Toxic Organics Removal.	NERL	ERD	1990	Completed
The Fate and Degradation of the Herbicides Alachlor and Atrazine in Flooded Wetlands Seasonally.	NHEERL	M-CED	1993	Completed
The Fate of Atrazine in a Wet Meadow in the Central Platte Valley Alluvium of Nebraska.	NRMRL	SPRD	1994	Completed

REGION 8 RARE PROGRAMS

Project Title	Lab/Center	Division	Year Project	Status
Developing a Landscape Approach to Evaluation of Wetland Condition in the Southern Rocky Mountains: Phase I.	NHEERL	WED	2000	Active
Developing a Landscape Approach to Evaluation of Wetland Condition in the Southern Rocky Mountains: Phase II.	NHEERL	WED	2001	Active
Effects of Biosolids Application on Erosion Control and Ecosystem Recovery Following the Buffalo Creek Fire - Part I.	NRMRL	TTSD	1998	 Active
Effects of Biosolids Application on Erosion Control and Ecosystem Recovery Following the Buffalo Creek Fire - Part II.	NRMRL	TTSD	2000	Active
Level IV Ecoregion Delineation for the State of Wyoming.	NHEERL	WED	2001	Active
Source Water Control within the Mary Murphy Mine.	NRMRL	STD	2000	Active
Accuracy and Effectiveness of the HC Channel of a Remote Emissions Sensor.	NERL	HEASD	1993	Completed
Assessment of the Functions and Values of Irrigated Wetlands in Region 8.	NHEERL	WED	1992	Completed
Crested Butte Woodstove Replacement Project.	NRMRL	APPCD	1989	Completed
Development and Potential Fate of Leachate at Small Landfills in the Arid West.	NRMRL	LRPCD	1993	Completed
Field-screening Methods for UST sites.	NERL	ESD	1989	Completed
Groundwater Sampling for Volatile Organics.	NRMRL	SPRD	1993	Completed
Montana Sub-ecoregion Delineation Phase I.	NHEERL	WED	1997	Completed
Montana Sub-ecoregion Delineation Phase II.	NHEERL	WED	1998	Completed
Montana Sub-ecoregion Delineation Phase III.	NHEERL	WED	2000	Completed
Nyland Homes Low Emission Residence Field Study.	NERL	HEASD	1992	Completed
Radon Mitigation in Mountain Residences.	NRMRL	APPCD	1993	Completed
Sub-Ecoregion Delineation - Utah.	NHEERL	WED	1999	Completed
Sub-Ecoregion Delineation for North Dakota/ South Dakota.	NHEERL	WED	1994	Completed
Use of Waste Heat to Increase the Mobility/Recovery of Light Nonaqueous-Phase Liquids (LNAPL).	NRMRL	SPRD	1994	Completed

REGION 9 RARE PROGRAMS

Project Title	Lab/Center	Division	Year Project Initiated	Status
Bioremediation of Mixed Vapor Phase Contaminants from Soils and Groundwater.	NRMRL	LRPCD	1999	Active
Development of a Field Sensor Method for detecting Perchlorate in Soil and Groundwater.	NERL	MCEARD	2001	Active
Evaluation of Dioxin-Like Emissions from Residential Wood Combustion.	NRMRL	APPCD	2001	Active
Human Exposure to Methyl Tertiary Butyl Ether (MTBE) While Bathing with Contaminated Water.	NERL	HEASD	1998	Active
Water Quality Effects of Dust Suppressants.	NERL	ESD	2000	Active
Applicability of New Marine Recreational Water Quality Standards in Guam.	NERL	ESD	1992	Completed
Assessment of Chronic Toxicity in California's Ambient Waters.	NHEERL	M-CED	1989	Completed
Bioavailability of Mercury to Fish in the Presence of Humic Substances in Clear Lake.	NHEERL	M-CED	1995	Completed
Development and Validation of a Year-round Acute Toxicity Bioassay for Hawaiian Ocean Discharges Using an Indigenous Fish Species.	NHEERL	GED	1992	Completed
Development of a 10-Day Amphipod Bioassay for Hawaii to Evaluate Grandidierella Japonica and Corophiuminsidiosum as Sediment Toxicity Test Species.	NHEERL	WED	1994	Completed
Development of a Water Quality and Systems Analysis of a Packaging Drinking Water Treatment Plant for Very Small Water Systems.	NRMRL	WSWRD	1991	Completed
Do Fecal Indicator Bacteria Multiply in the Soil Environments of Hawaii?	NRMRL	WSWRD	1995	Completed
Evaluation of Lower Truckee River Geomorphologic Response to Disturbance.	NERL	ESD	1994	Completed

REGION 9 RARE PROGRAMS [continued]

Project Title	Lab/Center	Division	Year Project Initiated	Status
Groundwater/Surface Water Interactions, Pilot Study: Still Water Basin in Western Nevada.	NERL	ESD	1993	Completed
Improved Methods for Collection and Interpretation of Data for Characterization at Hazardous Waste Sites.	NERL	ESD	1992	Completed
Model Correlation of Pesticide Usage and Atmospheric Residue for Assessing Risk and Minimizing Exposure.	NERL	HEASD	1997	Completed
Radon Prevention in New School Construction.	NRMRL	APPCD	1993	Completed
TIE Evaluation with the Mysid (Holmesimysis costata) Test.	NHEERL	WED	1994	Completed
TIE Evaluation with the Sea Urchin and Sand Dollar Tests.	NHEERL	WED	1994	Completed
Vernal Pool Creation and Restoration in California.	NHEERL	WED	1993	Completed

REGION 10 RARE PROGRAMS

Project Title	Lab/Center	Division	Year Project Initiated	Status
Development of Arsenic Speciation Techniques For Edible Biota.	NERL	MCEARD	1997	Active
Diagnostic Evaluation of Air Quality Models Using Advanced Methods with Specialized Observations of Selected Ambient Species -Part II.	NERL	AMD	2002	Active
GIS Analysis to Characterize Wetland Patterns in Support of Modeling Native Amphibian Populations.	NHEERL	WED	1998	Active
Wetland Management and Lentic Amphibian Communities: The Role of Landscape Context, Hydrology and Exotic Species - Part I.	NHEERL	WED	1998	A ctive
Alaska North Slope Restoration Research Strategy Plan.	NHEERL	WED	1991	Completed
Blue Mountains Ecological Assessment (OR, WA, ID).	NHEERL	WED	1993	Completed
Columbia Basin Ecological Assessment (WA, OR, ID).	NHEERL	WED	1992	Completed
Effects of Sulfanylurea Herbicides on Fruit Development in Cherries.	NHEERL	WED	1991	Completed
Evaluation of Benthic Invertebrate Metrics for Region 10 Streams East of the Cascades.	NHEERL	WED	1994	Completed
Field Study of Ultra Violet Disinfection.	NRMRL	TTSD	1989	Completed
Freshwater Wetland Restoration and Creation Efforts: Application to Successful Mitigation Banking.	NHEERL	WED	1993	Completed
Log Yard Wastes as a Soil Amendment for the Revegetation Reclamation of Smelterville Flats in the Silver Valley of Idaho.	NRMRL	LRPCD	1991	Completed
Mapping Hydraulic Connection in Fractured Basalt Aquifers: Establishing Ground and Surface Water Links in the Deschutes Basin, Oregon.	NERL	ESD	1994	Completed
Methods to Monitor Groundwater/Surface Water Interaction in the Deschutes Basin, Oregon.	NERL	ESD	1995	Completed
Performance Evaluation of WYND Valley 3.o.	NERL	AMD	1989	Completed
Site Evaluation of Wetland Restoration Protocol in Pacific Northwest Estuaries.	NHEERL	WED	1990	Completed

REGION 10 RARE PROGRAMS [continued]

Project Title	Lab/Center	Division	Year-Project Initiated	Status
Stream Habitat Restoration in a Large River Basin: Prioritizing Rehabilitation Options Based on Degree of Disturbance and Recovery Time.	NERL	ERD	1996	Completed
Synoptic Approach to Wetland Designation.	NHEERL	WED	1989	Completed
Testing Macroinvertebrate Bioassessment Protocols for Use in Regional Assessments of Stream Ecological Condition.	NHEERL	WED	1992	Completed
TIE Evaluation Procedures for Bivalve Mollusks.	NHEERL	WED	1994	Completed
Vadose Zone Monitoring by Immunoassay Analysis for Evaluating the Effectiveness of Pesticide Best Management Practices.	NERL	ESD	1992	Completed

Regional Methods Program

The Regional Methods (RM) Program works similarly to EPA's RARE program in that it provides the Regions with near-term research support on high-priority, Region-specific science. But as RARE emphasizes the research as a whole, RM focuses on developing the methods necessary for the Regions to meet their monitoring and enforcement objectives.

Each year, ORD designates approximately \$700,000 to support RM. As part of the program, the Regional Science & Technology Directors sponsor an annual ranking of environmental measurement (method) needs from across the 10 Regions. Regional and ORD scientists jointly develop the individual research projects to address those needs, helping to improve the cooperation and understanding between the two groups.

Following are ongoing RM projects:

RM Region 1

Developing Methods for Biological Indicators in Transition Zones Between Aquatic Resources (NHEERL-AED)

RM Region 2

Rapid Biosurvey/Bioassessment Methods for Large Rivers (NERL-EERD)

Development of Whole Sediment Toxicity Identification and Evaluation Methods (NHEERL-MED/AED)

RM Region 3

Exploring the Efficiency and Capability of HRMS, LRMS, and ECD to Expanded Method 1668 or 8082 for PCBs and PBDE Congeners to Meet Regional Regulatory and Policy Needs (NHEERL-AED)

Arsenic Speciation Methods (NERL-ESD)

Development of Quantitative Index of Excessive Sedimentation (NHEERL-WED)

RM Region 4

Development of Analytical Methods for Alkylphenol Ethoxylates (NERL-HEASD)

Improved Air Sampling (NERL-HEASD)

Development of a Predictive Model for Toxicity of Metal Mixtures to Aquatic Fauna (NHEERL-MED)

RM Region 5

Development of Diagnostic Indicators of Stream Impairment Due to Nutrients (NHEERL-MED)

RM Region 6

Methods for Assessing Changes in Organisms Exposed to Contaminated Sediments (NERL-EERD)

Comparison of Sediment Elutriate Acute and Chronic Toxicity Testing with Ceriodaphnia and Fathead Minnows with Bulk Sediment Tests Using Hyalella azteca and Chironomus tentans (NERL-EERD)

Refinement of the Bivalve (Mulinia lateralis) Sediment Toxicity Test (NHEERL-GED)

RM Region 7

Indicators of Stream Stress Due to Fluctuations in Dissolved Oxygen Levels (NHEERL-WED)

Air Holding Times (NERL-HEASD)

VOCs in Solid Matrices (NERL-ESD)

Evaluation of the Importance of Pyrolysis By-Products on the Bioavailability of PAHs to Benthic Organisms (NHEERL-AED)

RM Region 8

Methods Development for Detection of pptV Concentrations of Selected VOCs (NERL-HEASD)

Pesticide Field Tests (NERL-ESD)

RM Region 9

No RM methods currently being utilized

RM Region 10

Re-evaluation of Applicability of Agency Sample Holding Times (NERL-ESD)

Upgrade of ESP Model for Estimating PM, PM10, and PM2.5 Control Performance (NRMRL-APPC)

Regional Science Topic Workshops

Each year, the EPA sponsors its Regional Science Topic Workshop series. These educational seminars are conducted to establish a better cross-Agency understanding of the science applicable to specific Region-selected human health and/or ecological topics. They provide EPA scientists with direct access to a network of colleagues, which allows the continuous exchange of information and ideas as the Agency moves forward in research, risk management and further education.

As part of the program, the Regions can select up to three high-priority science issues for workshops every year. These workshops address those science issues of greatest importance to the Regions on the selected topic area. Each workshop is planned and conducted by a team of Regional, ORD, and other interested EPA scientists, led by a Regional chairperson, and

facilitated by one or more RSLs. Participants maintain the cross-Agency science networks they establish at the workshops through planned post-workshop projects and activities. These activities include the identification of collaborative research opportunities, creation of information-sharing mechanisms like interactive Web sites, and development of science fact sheets for Regional use.

During the past three years, workshops have been held on asthma, communicating ORD science, the Fully Integrated Environmental Location Decision Support (FIELDS) system, nonindigenous species, pesticides, endocrine disruptors, emerging pathogens, aquatic life criteria, critical ecosystems and air toxics. A cumulative risk workshop is scheduled for November 4-8, 2002, in Dallas, TX.

REGIONAL Science Topic Workshops

1999 Regional Science Workshops

"Asthma: The Regional Science Issues"

June 15 - 17, 1999 in Washington, DC

75 attendees, including 22 from ORD and 27 from the Regions

"Communicating Science Info Fair"

October 27 - 28, 1999 in Washington, DC

36 on-site/31 off-site attendees, including 19 from ORD and 42 from the Regions

"FIELDS 2000" - The Fully Integrated Environmental Location Decision Support

January 19 - 20, 2000 in Chicago

Approximately 150 attendees from EPA Regions, states, academia, and

environmental/engineering consultants; 5 from ORD

"Regional Nonindigenous Species (NIS) Workshops" (5)

September 22, 1999 in Denver

October 20-21, 1999 in Chicago

November 9-10, 1999 in Tampa

December 14, 1999 in San Francisco

June 6-7, 2000 in Ft. Meade, MD

35 - 75 attendees at each workshop from EPA Regions, other federal agencies, and states

2000 Regional Science Workshops

"National Nonindigenous Species Workshop"

June 12 - 13, 2000 in Washington, DC

90 attendees, including 21 from ORD and 22 from the Regions

"Region/ORD Pesticides Workshop"

October 31 - November 2, 2000 in Chicago

116 attendees, including 33 from ORD and 73 from the Regions (21 via Placeware)

"Region/ORD Endocrine Disruptors Workshop"

May 1 - 3, 2001 in Atlanta

93 attendees, including 28 from ORD and 47 from the Regions (18 via Placeware)

2001 Regional Science Workshops

"Emerging Pathogens"

September 5 - 7, 2001 in Ft. Meade, MD

105 attendees, including about 40 from the Regions and 35 from ORD

"Aquatic Life and Piscivorous Wildlife Workshop"

December 4 - 7, 2001 in Seattle

95 attendees, including about 35 from the Regions and 25 from ORD

2002 Regional Science Workshops

"Critical Ecosystems"

June 17 - 20, 2002 at the Keystone Center, Co

72 attendees, including about 35 from the Regions and 18 from ORD

"Air Toxics Exposure Workshop"

June 25 - 27, 2002, in San Francisco

100 attendees, including about 50 from the Regions and 16 from ORD

"Cumulative Risk"

To be held November 4 - 8, 2002 in Dallas, TX

REGIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING AND ASSESSMENT PROGRAM (R-EMAP)

The Environmental Monitoring and Assessment Program (EMAP) is a multi-pronged research approach to the development and utilization of ecological monitoring as a necessary and critical component of environmental management and protection. The Regional EMAP program (R-EMAP) takes it a step further as each of the Agency's Regions and ORD works in partnership to evaluate and build on the EMAP approach. It's used as a tool for providing information on the condition of our nation's environment in a manner directly applicable to resource managers.

The goals of R-EMAP are to:

- Assistant incorporating the latest science on ecological monitoring into the Regional, state, tribal and local decision-making process;
- Advance the science of ecological monitoring as a tool for Regional, state and local problem formulation in risk assessments; and,
- Measure the ecological results of risk management option selection.

The R-EMAP program has helped develop and demonstrate important aspects of several new approaches, including alternative ways to design and analyze monitoring information. These alternatives provide results that are statistically valid and can be used to characterize environmental conditions at the Regional scale with known levels of confidence. Information from R-EMAP has also helped several states respond to listing and delisting requirements under Section 303(d) and reporting under Section 305 (b) of the Clean Water Act. More information about specific R-EMAP projects can be obtained by accessing the EMAP Web site (www.epa.gov/emap/remap).

Region-Specific Support, Includes:

Region 1 – Evaluating the condition of New England's wadeable streams.

Region 2 – Conducting a New York/New Jersey harbor study, Cohansey-Maurice Watershed assessment, and an environmental assessment of Barnegat Bay, NJ.

Region 3 – Determining a watershed-based design frame for estimating the biotic integrity of West Virginia streams.

Region 4 – Conducting an assessment of the Everglades ecosystem and evaluating the condition of southeastern wadeable streams.

Region 5 – Conducting an ecological assessment of invasive and aggressive plant species in the coastal wetlands of the Laurentian Great Lakes.

Region 7 – Conducting a probabilistic survey of Iowa stream resources and evaluating probability-based monitoring design within Missouri's statewide resource assessment and monitoring program.

Regions 8, 9 and 10 – Developing reference conditions and use of intensification sites in the EMAP Western Pilot Design.

Superfund Site Support Region One

ORD works closely with each Region to support the cleanup of contaminated Superfund sites. Specifically, it provides site-specific technical support for characterization, modeling, monitoring, assessment and remediation of contaminated sites under Superfund, and in some cases, under RCRA Corrective Actions. Information on Region-specific support is detailed below, followed by a detailed overview of those specific elements under the "Contaminated Site – Site-Specific Technical Support" umbrella.

Region 1 Superfund Support:

Groundwater/Vadose Zone Sampling for VOCs (Raymark Site, Stratford, CT) - ORD and Region 1 are working together to evaluate the migration pathways and upward movement of organic vapors from the groundwater through the vadose zone, and ultimately, into the basements of adjacent homes. The initial phase included technical and advisory support primarily around activities at the Raymark Site. The contractor-proposed work plan was reviewed along with the final report for design and installation of mitigation systems to reduce VOC contaminants in affected buildings. Work is now under way to evaluate and design mitigation systems for four more houses. At a less urgent pace, 80 additional houses in the same development are being evaluated for potential indoor air contamination resulting from the contaminated groundwater. These results will be used to correlate with other data (i.e., air, soil gas) to better assess predictive transport models. Additionally, the ORD Ground Water Technical Support Center is developing a protocol for sub-slab testing to support assessment and mitigation of vapor intrusion. This protocol incorporates vapor sampling and air permeability testing. (NRMRL)

Hexachloroxanthene Consultation (Centerdale Superfund Site, North Providence, RI) — This site is contaminated with TCDD and high levels of a hexachloroxanthene. Hexachloroxanthene is "dioxin-like" in structure. Bioaccumulation and toxicity testing were completed with ORD's technical guidance. This process was used to determine if hexachloroxanthene should be of concern in the remediation of the site. (NHEERL)

PCB Dermal Absorption Evaluation (Housatonic River Superfund Site, Pittsfield, MA) – Since summer of 2001, ORD has been helping evaluate the dermal absorption of PCBs from contaminated sediments. This has included the review of a primate study contracted by GE. ORD, GE and Regional representatives met in November to discuss the study and follow-up experiments. (NCEA)

Contaminated Sediment Modeling — ORD has provided contaminated sediment modeling in support of the Housatonic River site clean-up efforts. This includes advising the RPM and appropriate modeling contractors on: 1.) significant sediment transport mechanisms that affect the transport of sorbed PCBs, e.g., bedload transport, settling; 2.) model grid needed to simulate both in-bank and out-of-bank events for evaluation of proposed remedial alternatives; and 3.) model development needed to simulate the significant physico-chemical processes affecting PCB transport. (NERL)

MNA Assessment Potential for Arsenic (Woburn Site, Woburn, MA) – The recently completed project supported the Industriplex Superfund Site cleanup. It focused on assessing the monitored natural attenuation (MNA) potential for arsenic for the past three years. New scientific information was learned during the study regarding associations of arsenic with different iron minerals as well as improved methods to characterize sites for MNA for arsenic. Successful completion of this project will directly assist the Region in determining what actions are required to clean up the site. Several publications are anticipated from this effort. (NRMRL)

Risk-Based Sediment Quality Guidelines for PAH Mixtures – At a Region 1 Superfund site, sediments were contaminated with a complex mixture of PAHs. ORD applied newly developed methods on assessing the risk of PAH mixtures in sediments. This work will aid the Region in developing risk-based numerical guidelines for use in the site ecological risk assessment. (NHEERL)

<u>Chlorinated Solvents/Petroleum Hydrocarbons</u> <u>Recovery (Loring AFB) –</u> A field scale demonstration of steam injection into fractured bedrock for the

recovery of chlorinated solvents and petroleum hydrocarbons is being conducted by the Maine Department of Environmental Protection, EPA Region 1, EPA ORD (SITE program), and the Loring AFB Conversion Agency. This project has included extensive characterization of the fractured bedrock system in preparation for the steam injection that will begin mid-August, 2002. The steam injection is expected to recover a significant amount of the contaminant mass residing in the fracture network. (NRMRL/NERL)

Identification of Sediment Toxicants – Sediments were known to be toxic at one Region Superfund site, but the specific causes were undetermined. The toxicity was correlated with concentrations of several chemicals. By applying newly developed identification methods, it was determined that dieldrin caused the toxicity to midge larva. This enabled the Region to design remedial action goals focused specifically on those chemicals responsible for toxicity. (NHEERL)

Hazardous Substance Research Centers - The Center for Hazardous Substances in Urban Environments was established to address contaminants and sources that are known to be prevalent in urban environments. Focusing on the upper mid-Atlantic to the Northeast, the mission of this Center is twofold: 1.) to promote a better understanding of physical, chemical and biological processes for detecting, assessing and managing risks associated with the use and disposal of hazardous substances in urban environments; and, 2.) to disseminate the results of the Center's research and provide technical expertise to various stakeholders including community groups, municipal officials, EPA. state and local regulators, and industry. Research will focus on emissions of mercury, other toxic metals and organic compounds from incinerators. landfills and Brownfields sites; chromium, arsenic, nickel, zinc and cadmium in waters and soils; and hydrophobic organic compounds in waters, soils and sediments. The Center's outreach components will foster partnering with stakeholders to encourage two-way flow of information regarding urban environmental issues and decisions concerning risk assessment and management. Examples include a

community advisory board, Regional workshops, high school internships and an interactive multimedia CD-ROM, environmental assessment of Brownfields sites in Baltimore, and the maintenance of a professionally designed Web site to foster Internet sharing of activities and results. (NCER)

Soil Venting Assessment (Picillo Farm Site, Coventry, RI) – The ORD Ground Water Technical Support Center is assessing the long-term effectiveness of a soil venting system. The Picillo Farm soil venting system is probably the most carefully scrutinized and monitored venting system in the United States. (NRMRL)

Operational and Long-Term Monitoring (New Bedford Harbor Superfund Site) — During the last 15 years, ORD, in conjunction with EPA Region 1 and others, has developed and participated in multiple operational and long-term monitoring programs at this site. Collectively, these monitoring and associated research activities included, deployment of mussels, subsequent chemical analysis of those mussels in and around New Bedford Harbor (PCB bioaccumulation), and a historical assessment of New Bedford Harbor. This research has provided the Region with state-of-the-art techniques to most effectively and safely manage this \$350 million remediation. (NHEERL)

Modeling Effort Reviews (Dover Landfill Site, Dover, NH) – Currently ORD's Ground Water Technical Support Center is reviewing and commenting on ongoing modeling efforts at the site. Future research related to evaluating groundwater/surface water relationships is planned. This will involve the installation of temporary small diameter piezometers to evaluate hydraulic head variations with depth in the vicinity of a wetlands area and seeps associated with the Cocheco River. (NRMRL)

<u>Biofilter Phytobed Assistance (Resolve Site, North Dartmouth, MA) – This project includes technical support on the biofilter phytobed (BFPB). The BFPB is an innovative technology that involves pumping and treating of groundwater containing chlorinated compounds into an at-grade phytoremediation treatment cell. The cell is specifically designed for</u>

anaerobic and aerobic treatment. Pilot-scale construction is underway. (NRMRL)

Natural Attenuation Evaluation (Camp Edwards/Otis Air Force Base, Cape Cod, MA) – The Regional RPM requested ORD provide assistance in evaluating the feasibility of implementing natural attenuation. It is being reviewed as the remedial remedy for groundwater contamination at this site. (NERL)

Elizabeth and Ely Mines – Engineering Technical Support Center staff has worked with the RPM, the State, the Army Corps of Engineers and several other groups on various remedial alternatives for these sites. A team of outside experts in anaerobic and aerobic treatment systems reviewed the sites for two days, discussing the pros and cons of semi-passive remediation with the core team. This expertise helps the team decide which alternative may be the most feasible, and what steps are necessary over the next two years to implement them. (NRMRL)

<u>SITE Demonstrations –</u> One ORD goal is to identify, demonstrate, assess and disseminate information about innovative and alternative environmental monitoring, measurement and characterization technologies, and innovative and alternative remediation technologies. This information is passed along to developers, remediation site managers and regulators. It fosters the development of lower cost characterization and monitoring technologies and remediation technologies for soil, soil gas, sediment, surface water and groundwater. The current list of Regional needs for characterization and monitoring includes biosensors for chlorinated solvents, geophysical techniques for the non-invasive determination of dense non-aqueous phase liquids (DNAPLs) in the subsurface, technologies to determine water quality parameters such as dissolved oxygen, ecological sampling devices, and field toxicity tests. A reassessment of EPA Regional needs is planned in FYo3 and selected technologies/needs will be given high priority in the selection of future SITE demonstrations. Current priorities for remediation technologies, which are revised annually by a broad stakeholder group, focus on sites that have contaminated sediments, DNAPLs, acid mine drainage, manufactured gas plants and pesticides sites. Priority contaminants include chlorinated solvents, PCBs, PAHs and metals. For Region 1, the FYO2 SITE Program is either currently conducting or completing field demonstrations at

three sites. All three technologies, in three different states, are designed to treat chlorinated solvents in-situ. (NERL and NRMRL)

Contaminated Sediment Mass Fate and Transport Models Evaluation – This effort will describe the currently available sediment/contaminant fate and transport models. The highest ranked models will be evaluated for multiple classes of receiving waters. Where weaknesses are identified during the model evaluation, modules will be enhanced or created for the top-ranked contaminated sediment fate and transport models for major water resource classes. Possibilities include simulations for groundwater advective flow under and through a cap, compressive effects of adding additional mass to the underlying sediments from a cap, natural gas escaping from the organic compounds in the sediments, and cap scour and displacement. (NERL)

<u>Support Via Technical Review Workgroup</u> — ORD provides support to all regions through the Technical Review Workgroup. This group assists Regional risk assessors in the application of the Integrated Exposure Uptake Biokinetic model for lead in children and to the Combustion Technical Assistance Center. (NCEA)

Other Region 1 Superfund Support:

- Reviewed a groundwater closure plan for Union Chemical site in South Hope, ME. (NERL)
- Reviewed aquifer models that are and/or will be used to determine appropriate remedial approaches for the Savage Well Municipal Water Supply in Milford, NH. (NERL)
- Conducting measurements of toxic emissions from a New Hampshire landfill used by children as a soccer field. (NRMRL)
- On-site testing and evaluation to determine air pathways of potential pollutants at old Superfund sites. (NRMRL)
- Support for cleanup of Solvent Recovery Services, Silresim and Brownfields sites. (NRMRL)
- Developing approach to incorporate bioavailability in site-specific risk assessments and treatment performance. (NRMRL)
- Will soon be conducting field evaluations at appropriate sites, and developing design, operation and monitoring approaches for landfill bioreactors. (NRMRL)

Superfund Site Support Region Two

ORD works closely with each Region to support the cleanup of contaminated Superfund sites. Specifically, it provides site-specific technical support for characterization, modeling, monitoring, assessment and remediation of contaminated sites under Superfund, and in some cases, under RCRA Corrective Actions. Information on Region-specific support is detailed below, followed by a detailed overview of those specific elements under the "Contaminated Site – Site-Specific Technical Support" umbrella.

Region 2 Superfund Support:

World Trade Center Assistance – The events of September 11, 2001, had a significant impact on Region 2 as concerns arose surrounding air pollution and health effects. Activities included monitoring, conducting a study on the toxicological effects of fine Particulate Matter, modeling of the fire and debris plume, and evaluation of the resulting environmental pollution.

Following are more detailed overviews:

- Sampling was conducted of the dust and air at various locations surrounding the WTC disaster site. Dust samples were analyzed for particle constituents. Air samples were analyzed for semi-volatiles, volatiles, dioxins and furans. These analyses examined the potential effects of the fire and debris plume. (NERL)
- A study was conducted using laboratory mice to determine how exposure to the contaminants measured and collected in lower Manhattan may cause adverse health effects. (NHEERL)
- The plume of dust and burning debris from the WTC was reconstructed to model, and possibly predict, the levels of contaminants that were present in the air immediately following the towers collapse. Monitoring and meteorological data will be used to estimate exposures. (all ORD laboratories with academic institutions)

 Currently ORD is in the process of evaluating environmental pollution from the WTC disaster through a draft and final report. These reports will discuss the monitoring results, uncertainties associated with the data, and possible data gaps in an attempt to begin to characterize the possible health concerns of potentially exposed individuals. A more extensive evaluation of additional data will be included in a report projected to be available late spring 2003. (NCEA)

Other WTC support, includes:

- Preparing fact sheets on PM Health Effects of Lower Manhattan and NYC area for posting on EPA public Web site.
- Determining siting of air pollution monitors in Lower Manhattan to augment data collection for risk evaluation of air emissions from Ground Zero.
- Providing advice on health benchmarks used as criteria for evaluating potential hazardous exposures to air pollutants in lower Manhattan area.
- Providing preliminary evaluation of then available air pollution monitoring data to ascertain if air pollution values for particulate matter, its sub-constituents (e.g., lead, other metals, dioxin, etc.), or other volatile organic compounds exceeded (a) typical background levels for NYC/other urban areas; or, (b) health benchmark values indicative of increased health risk for chronic exposure effects.

<u>Treatment at Active Manufacturing Building (Olean Site)</u> – ORD is working with Region 2 to determine the optimal treatment technique for a dense nonaqueous phase liquid (DNAPL) source located under an active manufacturing building at the Olean Site, south of Buffalo, NY. This project led to a DNAPL Recovery under an active manufacturing building in Region 9. ORD has actively worked on the Olean site for nine years. (NRMRL)

<u>Long Island Aquifer Gasoline Component Fate and Transport Evaluation –</u> This project provides information on contaminant behavior and for the development of field data evaluation approaches.

This information is also used by the state to develop improved site assessment approaches. Some results have been encapsulated into the online calculators at http://www.epa.gov/athens/onsite. These calculators have been used in many states, EPA Regions and the private sector. The ultimate product is software "Tools for Analysis of Contaminated Sites (TACS)" that evaluates data using a coordinated data management system and suite of models. (NERL)

Hazardous Substance Research Centers - The Center for Hazardous Substances in Urban Environments was established to address contaminants and sources that are known to be prevalent in urban environments. Focusing on the upper mid-Atlantic to the Northeast, the mission of this Center is twofold: 1.) to promote a better understanding of physical, chemical and biological processes for detecting, assessing and managing risks associated with the use and disposal of hazardous substances in urban environments; and, 2.) to disseminate the results of the Center's research and provide technical expertise to various stakeholders including community groups, municipal officials, EPA, state and local regulators, and industry. Research will focus on emissions of mercury, other toxic metals, and organic compounds from incinerators, landfills and Brownfields sites; chromium, arsenic, nickel, zinc and cadmium in waters and soils; and hydrophobic organic compounds in waters, soils and sediments. The Center's outreach components will foster partnering with stakeholders to encourage two-way flow of information regarding urban environmental issues and decisions concerning risk assessment and management. Examples include a community advisory board, Regional workshops, high school internships, and an interactive multimedia CD-ROM, environmental assessment of Brownfields sites in Baltimore, and the maintenance of a professionally designed Web site to foster Internet sharing of activities and results. (NCER)

<u>Injection-Extraction Soil Venting (Solvent Savers Site)</u> – ORD has actively worked on this site for six years, assisting Region 2 in assessing the performance of an injection-extraction soil venting project. A 3-D interpolation was used to distinguish reduction, rather than homogenization, for the injection-extraction nature of the system. (NRMRL)

The Remediation Technologies Development Forum – Under the leadership of the Technology Innovation Office, OSWER has sites in Regions 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10. Work is progressing to determine hydrocarbon degradation by phytotechnologies using a standard protocol. (NRMRL)

SITE Demonstrations - One ORD goal is to identify, demonstrate, assess and disseminate information about innovative and alternative environmental monitoring, measurement and characterization technologies, and innovative and alternative remediation technologies. This information is passed along to developers, remediation site managers and regulators. It fosters the development of lower cost characterization and monitoring technologies and remediation technologies for soil, soil gas, sediment, surface water and groundwater. The current list of Regional needs for characterization and monitoring includes biosensors for chlorinated solvents, geophysical techniques for the non-invasive determination of dense non-aqueous phase liquids (DNAPLs) in the subsurface, technologies to determine water quality parameters such as dissolved oxygen, ecological sampling devices and field toxicity tests. A reassessment of EPA Regional needs is planned in FYo3 and selected technologies/needs will be given high priority in the selection of future SITE demonstrations. Current priorities for remediation technologies, which are revised annually by a broad stakeholder group, focus on sites that have contaminated sediments, DNAPLs, acid mine drainage, manufactured gas plants and pesticides sites. Priority contaminants include chlorinated solvents, PCBs, PAHs and metals. For Region 2, the SITE Program completed a GIS technology demonstration in FYo2. (NERL and NRMRL)

Contaminated Sediment Mass Fate and Transport Models Evaluation – This effort will describe the currently available sediment/contaminant fate and transport models. The highest ranked models will be evaluated for multiple classes of receiving waters. Where weaknesses are identified during the model evaluation, modules will be enhanced or created for the top-ranked contaminated sediment fate and transport models for major water resource classes. Possibilities include simulations for groundwater advective flow under and through a cap, compressive effects of adding additional mass to the underlying

sediments from a cap, natural gas escaping from the organic compounds in the sediments, and cap scour and displacement. (NERL)

Support Via Technical Review Workgroup – ORD provides support to all Regions through the Technical Review Workgroup. This group assists Regional risk assessors in the application of the Integrated Exposure Uptake Biokinetic model for lead in children and to the Combustion Technical Assistance Center. (NCEA)

Other Region 2 Superfund Support:

- Ongoing phytotechnology work on Kin-buc Landfill SF site in Edison, NJ (NRMRL)
- Reviewed a remedial design work plan for a contaminated bedrock bioremediation system at Caldwell Trucking in Fairfield Township, NJ. (NERL)

- Computed the EPC Risk Term at Cornell Dubilier Electronics in South Plainfield, NJ. (NERL)
- Reviewed a suggested Creel/Angler survey at Diamond Alkali in Newark, NJ. (NERL)
- Evaluated the geostatistical approaches used by the PRPs at Hillards Creek/Sherwin Williams in Gibbsboro, NJ. (NERL)
- Developing approach to incorporate bioavailability in site-specific risk assessments and treatment performance. (NRMRL)
- Will soon be conducting field evaluations at appropriate sites, and developing design, operation and monitoring approaches for landfill bioreactors. (NRMRL)

Superfund Site Support Region Three

ORD works closely with each Region to support the cleanup of contaminated Superfund sites. Specifically, it provides site-specific technical support for characterization, modeling, monitoring, assessment and remediation of contaminated sites under Superfund, and in some cases, under RCRA Corrective Actions. Information on Region-specific support is detailed below, followed by a detailed overview of those specific elements under the "Contaminated Site – Site-Specific Technical Support" umbrella.

Region 3 Superfund Support:

Landfill Gas Extraction (Keystone, PA & Pittsburgh, PA) – ORD is supervising an enhanced landfill gas-extraction removal system from a former landfill north of Baltimore, MD. It has actively worked on this site for four years. This year, ORD has also begun assisting with the design and construction of an enhanced landfill gas recovery system at the Bettis RCRA Site near Pittsburgh. (NRMRL)

<u>PCB Conversion Proposal Review</u> — Currently a proposal is under review that calls for converting PCB-contaminated material into feedstock at the Eastern Diversified Metals Superfund Site. Preliminary analysis suggests the polymeric reactions required to destroy or encapsulate the PCBs are not possible. (NCEA/OSP)

<u>Dioxin Investigation (Metachem Industries/Standard Chlorine of Delaware) –</u> ORD is currently planning to develop a sampling plan for investigating dioxin in soils and sediments at Metachem Industries/Standard Chlorine of Delaware. (NERL/OSP)

Bioventing Studies (New Castle, DE) – For the past six years, ORD has studied the bioventing system at the Delaware Sand & Gravel Site, near New Castle, DE. A 3-D interpolation was used to distinguish reduction, rather than homogenization, for the injection-extraction nature of the system. (NRMRL)

Monitoring Study Development – ORD has consulted with the Region about developing monitoring studies for the Occidental Chemical Site. The studies would determine whether a fire at the site may have led to the formation of dioxin. (NCEA/OSP)

Evaluating Post-Remedial Action Monitoring Data – At a Region 3 Superfund site, groundwater pumpand-treat was selected as part of the remedy. The effectiveness of the groundwater treatments was monitored through the use of whole effluent toxicity testing. When unacceptable levels of toxicity were detected, studies were required to identify and correct the cause of toxicity. ORD provided input to the Region on the studies' technical appropriateness and validity. (NHEERL)

Hazardous Substance Research Center - The Great Lakes, Mid-Atlantic and Great Plains Hazardous Substance Research Center for Integrated Remediation Using Managed Natural Systems was established to support collaborative research and technology transfer efforts within EPA Regions 3, 5 and 7. The Center will focus on integrated, low-cost remediation technologies that improve risk management by removing contaminants from the environment and restoring ecosystem quality, thereby enhancing site redevelopment options. This mission will be accomplished through an extensive university/EPA/industry partnership involving a multidisciplinary research program. Comprehensive technology transfer and outreach programs will integrate new knowledge and technology for use by industries, communities and government. The Center also has a strong commitment to diversity issues and will provide opportunities for minority students and faculty from three minority institutions to become involved in research, outreach and technology transfer programs. (NCER)

The Remediation Technologies Development Forum – Under the leadership of the Technology Innovation Office, OSWER has sites in Regions 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10. Work is progressing to determine hydrocarbon degradation by phytotechnologies using a standard protocol. (NRMRL)

<u>SITE Demonstrations</u> – One ORD goal is to identify, demonstrate, assess and disseminate information about innovative and alternative environmental monitoring, measurement and characterization technologies and innovative and alternative remediation technologies. This information is passed along to developers, remediation site managers and regulators. It fosters the development of lower cost characterization and monitoring technologies and remediation technologies

for soil, soil gas, sediment, surface water and groundwater. The current list of Regional needs for characterization and monitoring includes biosensors for chlorinated solvents, geophysical techniques for the non-invasive determination of dense non-aqueous phase liquids (DNAPLs) in the subsurface, technologies to determine water quality parameters such as dissolved oxygen, ecological sampling devices and field toxicity tests. A reassessment of EPA Regional needs is planned in FYo3 and selected technologies/needs will be given high priority in the selection of future SITE demonstrations. Current priorities for remediation technologies, which are revised annually by a broad stakeholder group, focus on sites that have contaminated sediments, DNAPLs, acid mine drainage, manufactured gas plants and pesticides sites. Priority contaminants include chlorinated solvents, PCBs, PAHs and metals. For Region 3, the SITE Program completed initial sampling and evaluation of an innovative capping technology at Dover AFB. (NERL and NRMRL)

<u>Contaminated Sediment Mass Fate and Transport Models Evaluation</u> – This effort will describe the currently available sediment/contaminant fate and transport models. The highest ranked models will be evaluated for multiple classes of receiving waters. Where weaknesses are identified during the model evaluation, modules will be enhanced or created for

the top-ranked contaminated sediment fate and transport models for major water resource classes. Possibilities include simulations for groundwater advective flow under and through a cap, compressive effects of adding additional mass to the underlying sediments from a cap, natural gas escaping from the organic compounds in the sediments, and cap scouland displacement. (NERL)

Support Via Technical Review Workgroup — ORD provides support to all Regions through the Technical Review Workgroup. This group assists Regional risk assessors in the application of the Integrated Exposure Uptake Biokinetic model for lead in children and to the Combustion Technical Assistance Center. (NCEA)

Other Region 3 Superfund Support:

- Extensive technical assistance on Welsh Rd. landfill to determine technical feasibility of ET cover on Superfund site. (NRMRL)
- Developing approach to incorporate bioavailability in site-specific risk assessments and treatment per formance. (NRMRL)
- Will soon be conducting field evaluations at appropriate sites, and developing design, operation and monitoring approaches for landfill bioreactors.
 (NRMRL)

Superfund Site Support Region Four

ORD works closely with each Region to support the cleanup of contaminated Superfund sites. Specifically, it provides site-specific technical support for characterization, modeling, monitoring, assessment and remediation of contaminated sites under Superfund, and in some cases, under RCRA Corrective Actions. Information on Region-specific support is detailed below, followed by a detailed overview of those specific elements under the "Contaminated Site – Site-Specific Technical Support" umbrella.

Region 4 Superfund Support:

Toxaphene Aging Research - Based on Region 4 interest in the risk associated with the aging of toxaphene at a specific site, a research project was initiated to assess whether aging changes the genotoxicity characteristics of commercial technical toxaphene (CTT) in soils. Based on initial findings that toxaphene was bioavailable to the organisms present in the soil and resulted in the degradation of toxaphene, it was decided to initiate a second phase. The follow-up phase involves the identification of the biodegradation products (anaerobic/aerobic conditions) of CTT in soil under laboratory conditions. These results will be contrasted with those isolated from fish found at the site of sediment contamination in Region 4 using GC-MS. Subsequently, the toxicity associated with these biodegradation products will be assessed in terms of mutagenicity using the Ames Salmonella test. (NCEA)

<u>PCB Effect Consultation (Anniston, AL)</u> — At the Solutia Superfund Site, ORD is consulting on the effects of PCBs. Namely, its expertise is in offering guidance on the PCB ecological effects endpoints for setting remediation plans. (NHEERL)

<u>Source Testing (Tampa, FL)</u> – An oil-fired boiler, a coal-fired boiler and a municipal incinerator will be tested to determine emissions. This testing will also support the State of Florida and Region 4 by assisting in the development of receptor modeling source signatures. (NRMRL)

Remediation Technology Testing (Distler Brickyard Site) - At this Superfund Site, ORD tested an innovative remediation technology called the chitin-fracing technology. The new innovation involved the creation of highly permeable sand and electron donor (chitin)-filled fractures in the subsurface to increase the permeability of the formation and provide an electron donor for anaerobic reductive dechlorination of chlorinated solvents. Based on the positive and encouraging results obtained from the Phase I test, a Phase II proposal was prepared that would provide up to \$500K to the Site over a period of approximately two years. It is expected that the Phase II work would represent the majority of the implementation of the final groundwater remedy. (NERL)

Columbia Nitrogen Superfund Site (Charleston, SC) – Installation will soon begin of a pilot scale iron-compost permeable reactive barrier. This will help evaluate treatment of impacted groundwater prior to its discharge into the tidal marsh. (NRMRL)

Macalloy Corporation Superfund Site (Charleston, SC) — ORD is currently exploring the use of a reductant it has developed to treat hexavalent chromium source areas and dissolved phase groundwater plumes at the site. To date, two pilot studies have been completed. Additionally, ORD is reporting and interpreting the results from chemical analysis and toxicity testing of sediments from Shipyard Creek. (NHEERL/NRMRL)

Tower Chemical – Working with Region 4 staff, ORD reviewed and commented on two groundwater treatment proposals for Florida's Tower Chemical site that were the subject of a congressional inquiry. Much of the groundwater contamination is unidentified, so the potential risk assessment options were reviewed. On-site toxicity testing of the complex mixture was recommended as well as QSAR for estimating possible toxicity of chemicals related to those already identified. Based on this information, predictions were made for 20 different toxic endpoints (cancer/non-cancer) and for log P using the TOPKAT/QSAR model. Many of these endpoints (cancer, mutagenicity, developmental

effects, etc.) are qualitative in nature and based on probability, while many of the other endpoints are quantitative in nature (e.g. LD50, LOAEL). Such predictions should ultimately help in the prioritization of chemicals present in site wells, especially those not found in the IRIS database. (NRMRL/NCEA/OSP)

Hazardous Substance Research Center - The objective of the South and Southwest Hazardous Substance Research Center is to provide basic and applied research, technology transfer and community outreach that addresses hazardous substance problems, especially the engineering management of contaminated sediments and other problems of special interest, to communities within EPA Regions 4 and 6. Due to past and present toxic releases, these regions face serious hazardous substance problems and also contain a significant fraction of the wetlands and inland waters found in the United States. The research themes of the Center include: addressing the physical, chemical and biological availability of contaminants in sediments, evaluating and enhancing biotransformation processes in sediments, and improving the science of risk management for contaminated sediments. The main objective of the research will be to improve the effectiveness of remedial approaches by seeking to understand and minimize contaminant release and exposure. The research projects will evaluate the bioavailablity of desorption-resistant contaminants, develop improved approaches for in-situ containment and treatment, assess contaminant losses during removal and episodic storm events, and evaluate phyto-remediation for wetlands and confined disposal facilities. The research program will be complemented by a technology transfer and outreach effort focused nationally on contaminated sediments and their management. but regionally with respect to the broad range of hazardous substance issues that impact communities in the South and Southwest. Outreach efforts will focus on providing technical assistance to environmentally troubled communities in the Region to enable them to better understand and participate in decisions being made about their hazardous substance problems. (NCER)

Landfill Bioreactor Field-Testing – An operating landfill in Louisville, KY, is the initial site in a multi-year cooperative research project where landfill bioreactors will be field-tested. Building on previous ORD research, this project will allow direct observation of two methods of bioreactor systems. The first is a retrofitted anaerobic system using nitrified leachate injection. The second method utilizes a sequential approach where the waste is first degraded in a brief aerobic stage followed by anaerobic conditions. (NRMRL)

Regional Environmental Forensics - ORD's Ion Composition Elucidation (ICE), a high-resolution mass spectrometry technique has helped identify sources of pollution in several Regions. ICE can determine the chemical formula for compounds not in mass spectrometric databases. Recently, it identified a family of compounds in water from Superfund site monitoring wells near Lake Apopka, FL, for Region 4. Some compounds were probably formed by bacteria, while other compounds contained chlorine atoms resulting from pesticide manufacturing (ongoing research). In previous work for Region 2, ICE led to identification of byproducts of a polymerization process that leached from a Superfund site. The byproducts seeped into a municipal well servicing 50,000 people near Toms River, NJ, where an increased incidence of childhood cancer had been observed. (NERL)

Brunswick Wood Preserving Site – Continuous intensive expert technical support was provided during the development of an innovative proposed remedy and ROD. The remedy includes use of solidification and stabilization. This creates a cap combined with two calcium-based clay slurry walls to contain the source areas. Also, in situ chemical oxidation is being used to treat a pentachlorophenol plume. (NRMRL)

Camilla Wood Treating Site – In FY03, ORD is planning a joint effort with the Region to conduct field characterization activities to evaluate and ultimately select a remedy. ORD will be providing expert technical support and equipment in a timely manner to expedite and save costs. (NRMRL)

Warren County Landfill – ORD is participating with Region 4 and North Carolina in the detoxification of the PCB-contaminated soil disposed of in the Warren County Landfill. Using the Base Catalyzed Decomposition (BCD) process, the state has elected to dig up and treat approximately 40,000 cubic yards of soil from its TOSCA-approved landfill. ORD generated the work plan, the health and safety plan and the QAPP for this project. It is also providing the stack and air sampling and analysis for the TOSCA certification of the BCD process, and will continue to provide technical oversight of this final remediation project. (NRMRL)

Alternative Cover Assessment Project (ACAP) — ORD's multi-site work on the alternative cover assessment project (ACAP) has locations in Regions 4,5,7,8,9,10. This work is to determine infiltration rates at landfills and evaluate alternative cover options. (NRMRL)

<u>SITE Demonstrations – One ORD goal is to identify,</u> demonstrate, assess and disseminate information about innovative and alternative environmental monitoring, measurement and characterization technologies, and innovative and alternative remediation technologies. This information is passed along to developers, remediation site managers and regulators. It fosters the development of lower cost characterization and monitoring technologies and remediation technologies for soil, soil gas, sediment, surface water and groundwater. The current list of Regional needs for characterization and monitoring includes biosensors for chlorinated solvents, geophysical techniques for the non-invasive determination of dense non-aqueous phase liquids (DNAPLs) in the subsurface, technologies to determine water quality parameters such as dissolved oxygen, ecological sampling devices, and field toxicity tests. A reassessment of EPA Regional needs is planned in FY03 and selected technologies/needs will be given high priority in the selection of future SITE demonstrations. Current priorities for remediation technologies, which are revised annually by a broad stakeholder group, focus on sites that have contaminated sediments, DNAPLs, acid mine drainage, manufactured gas plants and pesticides

sites. Priority contaminants include chlorinated solvents, PCBs, PAHs and metals. For Region 4, the SITE Program completed the demonstration of three different in-situ DNAPL treatment technologies at the NASA Cape Canaveral site, Launch Complex 34. Two additional in-situ DNAPL treatment technologies were initiated during FYO2. The SITE Monitoring and Measurement Technology Program is planning a demonstration of characterization and monitoring techniques at the DOE Oak Ridge National Laboratory. (NERL and NRMRL)

Contaminated Sediment Mass Fate and Transport Models Evaluation - This effort will describe the currently available sediment/contaminant fate and transport models. The highest ranked models will be evaluated for multiple classes of receiving waters. Where weaknesses are identified during the model evaluation, modules will be enhanced or created for the top-ranked contaminated sediment fate and transport models for major water resource classes. Possibilities include simulations for groundwater advective flow under and through a cap, compressive effects of adding additional mass to the underlying sediments from a cap, natural gas escaping from the organic compounds in the sediments, and cap scour and displacement. One potential Region 4 demonstration site is Lake Hartwell, a 56,000-acre reservoir at the headwaters of the Savannah River. The Sangamo Weston Superfund site is located on Twelve Mile Creek, a tributary on the Seneca River branch of Hartwell. Application of the refined modeling framework would: 1.) be an excellent test of the upgraded models' abilities to simulate the long-term (1-10 years) transport of contaminated sediments in a reservoir, and 2.) enable a performance evaluation by the upgraded models of remediation methods proposed for the PCB contamination in Lake Hartwell. (NERL)

<u>Support Via Technical Review Workgroup</u> – ORD provides support to all Regions through the Technical Review Workgroup. This group assists Regional risk assessors in the application of the Integrated Exposure Uptake Biokinetic model for lead in children and to the Combustion Technical Assistance Center. (NCEA)

Other Region 4 Superfund Support:

- Providing consultation for the Weyerhauser Superfund Site. (NHEERL)
- Reviewed papers and provided technical guidance on selection of study for TCDD TRV. (NHEERL)
- Investigated pressure response and chlorinated compound destruction from the field pilot, and now field scale, C-Sparge ozonization process at the Rochester Site near Greenville, SC. (NRMRL)
- Providing assistance for the Sangamo Weston/Lake Hartwell Superfund site. (NRMRL)
- Determining air pathways of potential pollutants at old Superfund sites. One site is in Ohio, and the evaluation will be similar to those being done in Region 1 (NRMRL)
- Established ACAP test plot on a federal facility in Albany, GA. (NRMRL)

- Conducting a three-year project to determine comparative effectiveness of landfill covers. (NRMRL)
- Conducted training in Chattanooga for Regional, State and local staffs on Phytoremediation. (NRMRL)
- Providing ongoing technical assistance on two sites in Charleston, SC. (NRMRL)
- Developing approach to incorporate bioavailability in site-specific risk assessments and treatment performance. (NRMRL)
- Will soon be conducting field evaluations at appropriate sites, and developing design, operation and monitoring approaches for landfill bioreactors. (NRMRL)

Superfund Site Support Region Five

ORD works closely with each Region to support the cleanup of contaminated Superfund sites. Specifically, it provides site-specific technical support for characterization, modeling, monitoring, assessment and remediation of contaminated sites under Superfund, and in some cases, under RCRA Corrective Actions. Information on Region-specific support is detailed below, followed by a detailed overview of those specific elements under the "Contaminated Site – Site-Specific Technical Support" umbrella.

Region 5 Superfund Support:

Velsicol/Michigan Chemical Superfund Site (St. Louis, MI) – ORD is providing technical assistance in evaluating the integrity of the physical containment system (slurry wall) at the site. Portions of the site have been instrumented with pressure transducers to characterize hydraulic head responses within the containment system to external stimuli (e.g., dewatering of adjacent source removal cells in the Pine River). (NRMRL)

Technical Support for Development of Groundwater Remediation Targets – At a Region 5 industrial site, groundwater was contaminated by a variety of organic compounds associated with a coking facility. This groundwater was flowing toward a nearby river and upwelling through the sediments. Newly developed methods on assessing the risk of complex mixtures were applied to help the Region and industry develop remedial action goals that would protect the sediments from becoming unacceptably contaminated. (NHEERL)

Chemical and Biological Treatment (East Chicago, IN) — Currently an investigation is underway on the treatability of the highly contaminated Indiana Harbor Canal. A combination of chemical and biological treatment would be used to destroy the high levels of weathered crude and refined oil contaminating the harbor. The study is a cooperative agreement with Fisheries and Oceans-Canada and its subcontractor, Washington University, St. Louis. A QA plan has been written and endorsed and preliminary experiments on reactions of peroxide and contaminants, along with Microtox toxicity assays, have begun. (NRMRL)

<u>Development of Risk-Based Sediment Quality</u>
<u>Guidelines for Complex Mixtures –</u> At a Region 5
Superfund site, sediments were contaminated with a complex mixture of chlorobenzenes, PAHs and other organic compounds. Newly developed methods on assessing the risk of complex mixtures in sediments were applied to aid the Region in developing risk-based numerical guidelines for use in the site ecological risk assessment. (NHEERL)

Hazardous Substance Research Center - The Great Lakes, Mid-Atlantic and Great Plains Hazardous Substance Research Center for Integrated Remediation Using Managed Natural Systems was established to support collaborative research and technology transfer efforts within EPA Regions 3, 5 and 7. The Center will focus on integrated, low-cost remediation technologies that improve risk management by removing contaminants from the environment and restoring ecosystem quality, thereby enhancing site redevelopment options. This mission will be accomplished through an extensive university/EPA/industry partnership involving a multidisciplinary research program. Comprehensive technology transfer and outreach programs will integrate new knowledge and technology for use by industries, communities and government. The Center also has a strong commitment to diversity issues and will provide opportunities for minority students and faculty from three minority institutions to become involved in research, outreach and technology transfer programs. (NCER)

Lower Fox River/Green Bay Mass Balance Study — The U.S. EPA and ORD were charged with the facilitation and implementation of the mathematical modeling goals for predictive forecasts. Thus they were influential in all aspects of the 10-year study to satisfy the needs of the modeling construct. Superfund required extensive documentation on the objectives, planning process, partners, committee structure and members, meetings, field design, field sampling, laboratory analyses, laboratory quality assurance, database design and population, database quality assurance, mathematical modeling construct and scenarios, model forecasts and quality assurance, reports, publications, technical presentations, and public meetings. Documentation was provided,

which summarized all aspects of the study, providing EPA's scientific basis for settlement and the announcement of sediment remediation for PCBs in the lower Fox River/Green Bay complex. (NHEERL)

The Remediation Technologies Development Forum — Under the leadership of the Technology Innovation Office, OSWER has sites in Regions 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10. Work is progressing to determine hydrocarbon degradation by phytotechnologies using a standard protocol. (NRMRL)

Alternative Cover Assessment Project (ACAP) – ORD's multi-site work on the alternative cover assessment project (ACAP) has locations in Regions 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10. This work is to determine infiltration rates at landfills and evaluate alternative cover options. (NRMRL)

SITE Demonstrations - One ORD goal is to identify, demonstrate, assess and disseminate information about innovative and alternative environmental monitoring, measurement and characterization technologies, and innovative and alternative remediation technologies. This information is passed along to developers, remediation site managers and regulators. It fosters the development of lower cost characterization and monitoring technologies and remediation technologies for soil, soil gas, sediment, surface water and groundwater. The current list of Regional needs for characterization and monitoring includes biosensors for chlorinated solvents, geophysical techniques for the non-invasive determination of dense non-aqueous phase liquids (DNAPLs) in the subsurface, technologies to determine water quality parameters such as dissolved oxygen, ecological sampling devices, and field toxicity tests. A reassessment of EPA Regional needs is planned in FYo3 and selected technologies/needs will be given high priority in the selection of future SITE demonstrations. Current priorities for remediation technologies, which are revised annually by a broad stakeholder group, focus on sites that have contaminated sediments, DNAPLs, acid mine drainage, manufactured gas plants and pesticides sites. Priority contaminants include chlorinated solvents, PCBs, PAHs and metals. For

Region 5, the SITE Program is conducting four field demonstrations. Three technologies are for sediment treatment and one technology is a phytoremediation technique for metals treatment. (NERL and NRMRL)

Contaminated Sediment Mass Fate and Transport Models Evaluation – This effort will describe the currently available sediment/contaminant fate and transport models. The highest ranked models will be evaluated for multiple classes of receiving waters. Where weaknesses are identified during the model evaluation, modules will be enhanced or created for the top-ranked contaminated sediment fate and transport models for major water resource classes. Possibilities include simulations for groundwater advective flow under and through a cap, compressive effects of adding additional mass to the underlying sediments from a cap, natural gas escaping from the organic compounds in the sediments, and cap scour and displacement. (NERL)

<u>Support Via Technical Review Workgroup</u> – ORD provides support to all Regions through the Technical Review Workgroup. This group assists Regional risk assessors in the application of the Integrated Exposure Uptake Biokinetic model for lead in children and to the Combustion Technical Assistance Center. (NCEA)

Other Region 5 Superfund Support:

- Initiating collaboration with Region 5 to develop a PCB profile in sediments and soil for Superfund sites. (NCEA)
- Advised on use of non-native plants in Superfund mitigation. (NHEERL)
- Working with Region to develop risk management options for underground storage tank sites contaminated with oxygenates. (NRMRL)
- Developing approach to incorporate bioavailability in site-specific risk assessments and treatment performance. (NRMRL)
- Will soon be conducting field evaluations at appropriate sites, and developing design, operation and monitoring approaches for landfill bioreactors. (NRMRL)

Superfund Site Support Region Six

ORD works closely with each Region to support the cleanup of contaminated Superfund sites. Specifically, it provides site-specific technical support for characterization, modeling, monitoring, assessment and remediation of contaminated sites under Superfund, and in some cases, under RCRA Corrective Actions. Information on Region-specific support is detailed below, followed by a detailed overview of those specific elements under the "Contaminated Site – Site-Specific Technical Support" umbrella.

Region 6 Superfund Support:

Process Identification — ORD will identify the processes that control natural attenuation at CAH Solvent Spill Sites. This work will consist of site characterization studies at TCE plume locations at Galena AFB, Alaska, and Tinker AFB, Oklahoma. The studies will help determine the specific site conditions that will allow complete natural biological degradation of chlorinated solvents to ethene and those conditions that do not permit any, or only partial, dechlorination to dichlorothene. The presence of Dehalococcoides bacteria will also be determined at each site. (NRMRL)

Hazardous Substance Research Center - The objective of the South and Southwest Hazardous Substance Research Center is to provide basic and applied research, technology transfer and community outreach that addresses hazardous substance problems, especially the engineering management of contaminated sediments and other problems of special interest to communities within EPA Regions 4 and 6. Due to past and present toxic releases, these Regions face serious hazardous substance problems and also contain a significant fraction of the wetlands and inland waters found in the United States. The research themes of the Center include: addressing the physical, chemical and biological availability of contaminants in sediments, evaluating and enhancing biotransformation processes in sediments, and improving the science of risk management for contaminated sediments. The main objective of the research will be to improve the effectiveness of remedial approaches by seeking to understand and minimize contaminant release and exposure. The research projects will evaluate the bioavailablity of

desorption-resistant contaminants, develop improved approaches for in-situ containment and treatment, assess contaminant losses during removal and episodic storm events, and evaluate phyto-remediation for wetlands and confined disposal facilities. The research program will be complemented by a technology transfer and outreach effort focused nationally on contaminated sediments and their management, but Regionally with respect to the broad range of hazardous substance issues that impact communities in the South and Southwest. Outreach efforts will focus on providing technical assistance to environmentally troubled communities in the Region to enable them to better understand and participate in decisions being made about their hazardous substance problems. (NCER)

The Remediation Technologies Development Forum – Under the leadership of the Technology Innovation Office, OSWER has sites in Regions 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10. Work is progressing to determine hydrocarbon degradation by phytotechnologies using a standard protocol. (NRMRL)

<u>SITE Demonstrations</u> – One ORD goal is to identify, demonstrate, assess and disseminate information about innovative and alternative environmental monitoring, measurement and characterization technologies, and innovative and alternative remediation technologies. This information is passed along to developers, remediation site managers and regulators. It fosters the development of lower cost characterization and monitoring technologies and remediation technologies for soil, soil gas, sediment, surface water and groundwater. The current list of Regional needs for characterization and monitoring includes biosensors for chlorinated solvents, geophysical techniques for the non-invasive determination of dense non-aqueous phase liquids (DNAPLs) in the subsurface, technologies to determine water quality parameters such as dissolved oxygen, ecological sampling devices, and field toxicity tests. A reassessment of EPA Regional needs is planned in FYo3 and selected technologies/needs will be given high priority in the selection of future SITE demonstrations. Current priorities for remediation technologies, which are revised annually by a broad stakeholder group, focus on sites that have contaminated sediments, DNAPLs, acid mine

drainage, manufactured gas plants and pesticides sites. Priority contaminants include chlorinated solvents, PCBs, PAHs and metals. For Region 6, the SITE Program is completing the demonstration of two in-situ biotreatment technologies for PCB-contaminated soils for the Lower Colorado River Authority. (NERL and NRMRL)

Contaminated Sediment Mass Fate and Transport Models Evaluation – This effort will describe the currently available sediment/contaminant fate and transport models. The highest ranked models will be evaluated for multiple classes of receiving waters. Where weaknesses are identified during the model evaluation, modules will be enhanced or created for the top-ranked contaminated sediment fate and transport models for major water resource classes. Possibilities include simulations for groundwater advective flow under and through a cap, compressive effects of adding additional mass to the underlying sediments from a cap, natural gas escaping from the organic compounds in the sediments, and cap scour and displacement. (NERL)

Support Via Technical Review Workgroup – ORD provides support to all regions through the Technical Review Workgroup. This group assists Regional risk assessors in the application of the Integrated Exposure Uptake Biokinetic model for lead in children and to the Combustion Technical Assistance Center. (NCEA)

Other Region 6 Superfund Support:

- Conducted "Introduction to Phytoremediation" course in Austin, TX. (NRMRL)
- Developing approach to incorporate bioavailability in site-specific risk assessments and treatment performance. (NRMRL)
- Will soon be conducting field evaluations at appropriate sites, and developing design, operation and monitoring approaches for landfill bioreactors. (NRMRL)

Superfund Site Support Region Seven

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Region 7 Superfund Support:

Solvent Evaporation Testing - Clandestine manufacturing of methamphetamine (an illegal drug) at homes poses a serious heath and safety threat to innocent children, public officers, emergency responders and individuals who are manufacturing the drug. Large volumes of toxic solvents are used so there is a risk of exposure to hazardous chemicals. Per request from Region 7, ORD performed eight solvent evaporation tests in the Indoor Air Quality Test House in Cary, NC. The solvents tested included toluene, acetone and naphtha (also called Colman fuel). The final results were provided to the Region following data quality review. The test results are being used in the Region's Quantitative Risk Assessment to estimate the potential health risk(s) associated with exposure to chemicals used during the production of methamphetamine. (NRMRL)

Omaha Lead – As part of its support efforts of the Omaha Lead site, ORD is providing GIS support. This includes map generation and statistical analysis of lead levels in general and sensitive populations in the area around the newly proposed NPL site. The Regional HSTL will conduct a peer review of some site work conducted by a consultant. (NERL/OSP)

Evaluation of Recently Developed Push Probe
Sensors – Probe sensors are being developed and improved by an Air Force contractor that will distinguish between BTEX components and detect CAHs such as TCE. ORD is conducting field-testing to correlate sensor responses with TPH and TCE meters. More tests have been scheduled for Offutt AFB, Nebraska and King Salmon AFB, Alaska. (NRMRL)

Hazardous Substance Research Center – The Great Lakes, Mid-Atlantic and Great Plains Hazardous Substance Research Center for Integrated Remediation Using Managed Natural Systems was established to support collaborative research and technology transfer efforts within EPA-Regions 3, 5 and 7. The Center will focus on integrated, low-cost remediation technologies that improve risk management by removing contaminants from the environment and restoring ecosystem quality, thereby enhancing site redevelopment options. This mission will be accomplished through an extensive university/EPA/industry partnership involving a multidisciplinary research program. Comprehensive technology transfer and outreach programs will integrate new knowledge and technology for use by industries, communities and government. The Center also has a strong commitment to diversity issues and will provide opportunities for minority students and faculty from three minority institutions to become involved in research, outreach and technology transfer programs. (NCER)

<u>Soil-Pb Evaluation –</u> ORD continues its involvement with Region 7 and other researchers to evaluate soil-Pb site-specific bioavailability and alteration of soil-Pb bioavailability by in situ treatment techniques. This work is expanding to address issues of ecosystem risk of soil-Pb. (NRMRL)

<u>Soil Vapor Extraction</u> – ORD is currently monitoring soil vapor extraction performance conducted under an active manufacturing site at the Coleman Site, Wichita, KS. Work at this site has been going on for five years. (NRMRL)

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Alternative Cover Assessment Project (ACAP) – ORD's multi-site work on the alternative cover assessment project (ACAP) has locations in Regions 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10. This work is to determine infiltration rates at landfills and evaluate alternative cover options. (NRMRL)

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Contaminated Sediment Mass Fate and Transport Models Evaluation – This effort will describe the currently available sediment/contaminant fate and transport models. The highest ranked models will be evaluated for multiple classes of receiving waters. Where weaknesses are identified during the model evaluation, modules will be enhanced or created for the top-ranked contaminated sediment fate and transport models for major water resource classes. Possibilities include simulations for groundwater advective flow under and through a cap, compressive effects of adding additional mass to the underlying sediments from a cap, natural gas escaping from the organic compounds in the sediments, and cap scour and displacement. (NERL)

<u>Support Via Technical Review Workgroup</u> – ORD provides support to all Regions through the Technical Review Workgroup. This group assists Regional risk assessors in the application of the Integrated Exposure Uptake Biokinetic model for lead in children and to the Combustion Technical Assistance Center. (NCEA)

Other Region 7 Superfund Support:

- Developing approach to incorporate bioavailability in site-specific risk assessments and treatment performance. (NRMRL)
- Will soon be conducting field evaluations at appropriate sites, and developing design, operation and monitoring approaches for landfill bioreactors. (NRMRL)

Superfund Site Support Region Eight

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Region 8 Superfund Support:

Asarco Superfund Site (E. Helena, MT) – This site is an old smelter site where there are high levels of arsenic endangering public water supplies. Per Region 8's request, ORD engaged in a cooperative project to conduct a field pilot test of in situ permeable reactive barrier (PRB) technology for the remediation of arsenic in the site's ground water. This was the first field test of PRBs for arsenic. (NRMRL)

<u>Ecological Risk Assessment</u> – As Region 8 prepared for the ecological risk assessment of a large and highly contentious Superfund Site, it turned to ORD for technical support. This included conducting extensive analyses of available toxicity data, attending technical meetings with state representatives, and making recommendations for chemical concentrations associated with different levels of risk to fish in the river system. (NHEERL)

Evaluation of Toxicity Data for Superfund Site – As part of evaluating a Region 8 Superfund site, a number of water samples from the site were evaluated for toxicity to fish and analyzed for various metals. Technical assistance was provided in interpreting the toxicity data and determining which metals were, most likely, the cause of toxicity. This information revealed that this issue should be evaluated further in the site risk assessment. (NHEERL)

<u>Hazardous Substance Research Center —</u> The Rocky Mountain Regional Hazardous Substance Research Center for Remediation of Mine Waste Sites will focus on the geochemical, biological, hydrological/mineralogical

and engineering aspects of environmental problems associated with mining and mine wastes. The goal of the Center will be to develop new or improved methods or technologies that are cost effective and lead to cleanups that are protective of human health and the environment. A common theme for the environmental problems associated with mining is the contamination of all media (air, ground water, soil, sediments and surface water) resulting from a host of metals and a wide variety of sources. The types of contamination and the specific processes required to address mine waste problems are identified within the structure of five focus areas: site characterization and contaminant transport/transformation; surface water and sediment transport; treatment processes; technologies; and ecological and human health toxicity. Each of these focus areas is an essential component of the remediation process, and will include basic and applied research. Mathematical and physical models will be used to better understand processes and to help extend the results of the basic research to field demonstrations and applications. Training, technology transfer and outreach programs will focus on the development of new technologies. These programs will provide educational information to allow communities to make informed decisions concerning environmental contamination. The project will also provide technical assistance to communities and other stakeholders with the ultimate goal of redeveloping Brownfields sites. (NCER)

In-Situ Biological Degradation – ORD has worked with Region 8 to install soil fractures and conduct treatability studies for in-situ biological degradation. The aim of the research is to improve understanding of As chemistry as it relates to the mobilization of As in the environment. The site in Ronan, MT, has been completed with final sampling during the week of August 5. Data are being/will be shared with the Regional Offices. Several papers have already been written on interim project data. ORD equipment and personnel worked at the site under Regional sponsorship. (NRMRL)

<u>TRV Development</u> – ORD assisted in the development of TRVs for use in screening level risk assessments at Superfund sites. Literature searches were conducted

and evaluations of test result quality were presented in peer-reviewed publications for various chemicals including lead, nickel, selenium, vanadium, copper, chromium, cadmium, beryllium, barium, dieldrin, DDT, pentachlorophenol and arsenic. (NHEERL)

Rocky Mountain Arsenal - To assist the Region, ORD's SITE Program evaluated the ability of the innovative technology, In Situ Thermal Destruction (ISTD), to remove contamination from soil. The contamination of interest is in the South Plants area of the Arsenal in a 45-by-94-by-10-ft pit called the Hex Pit, in which distillation bottoms from the production of hexachlorocyclopentadiene were dumped. The ISTD system was mobilized on site, with installation of 266 heater-only or heater-vacuum wells to heat the subsurface soils. The vaporized contaminants were to be treated by a flameless thermal oxidizer. In March 2002, approximately two weeks into the heating phase, significant corrosion in the aboveground piping was found, and the system was turned off. ORD is now helping determine the cause of the corrosion. Planning for Hex Pit sampling has begun, with the sampling event expected to take place in the next month or six weeks. In the meantime, two technologies designed to treat chlorinated solvents in-situ were competed at the site. For more information on the SITE program, see the SITE Demonstration description later in this section. (NRMRL)

Ten Mile Creek Sites — In Region 8, ORD brought in a team of outside experts in anaerobic and aerobic treatment systems to discuss semi-passive remediation alternatives for the Ten Mile Creek sites. The group is looking at ways to treat the leachate either passively or semi-passively in the future, and is now conducting treatability studies. A semi-passive pilot system will be built in 2002. It is scheduled to go online in 2003 in an area where there is no power and no access from November to May. Two other locations are under review, and ORD is conducting preliminary studies. It is anticipated that another remedial pilot will be built in this area in 2002 or 2003 for further testing. (NRMRL)

Alternative Cover Assessment Project (ACAP) — ORD's multi-site work on the alternative cover assessment project (ACAP) has locations in Regions 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10. This work is to determine infiltration rates at landfills and evaluate alternative cover options. (NRMRL)

SITE Demonstrations - One ORD goal is to identify, demonstrate, assess and disseminate information about innovative and alternative environmental monitoring, measurement and characterization technologies, and innovative and alternative remediation technologies. This information is passed along to developers, remediation site managers and regulators. It fosters the development of lower cost characterization and monitoring technologies and remediation technologies for soil, soil gas, sediment, surface water and groundwater. The current list of Regional needs for characterization and monitoring includes biosensors for chlorinated solvents, geophysical techniques for the non-invasive determination of dense non-aqueous phase liquids (DNAPLs) in the subsurface, technologies to determine water quality parameters such as dissolved oxygen, ecological sampling devices, and field toxicity tests. A reassessment of EPA Regional needs is planned in FYo3 and selected technologies/needs will be given high priority in the selection of future SITE demonstrations. Current priorities for remediation technologies, which are revised annually by a broad stakeholder group, focus on sites that have contaminated sediments, DNAPLs, acid mine drainage, manufactured gas plants and pesticides sites. Priority contaminants include chlorinated solvents, PCBs, PAHs and metals. (NERL and NRMRL)

Contaminated Sediment Mass Fate and Transport Models Evaluation – This effort will describe the currently available sediment/contaminant fate and transport models. The highest ranked models will be evaluated for multiple classes of receiving waters. Where weaknesses are identified during the model evaluation, modules will be enhanced or created for the top-ranked contaminated sediment fate and transport models for major water resource classes. Possibilities include simulations for groundwater advective flow under and through a cap, compressive

effects of adding additional mass to the underlying sediments from a cap, natural gas escaping from the organic compounds in the sediments, and cap scour and displacement. (NERL)

<u>Support Via Technical Review Workgroup</u> – ORD provides support to all Regions through the Technical Review Workgroup. This group assists Regional risk assessors in the application of the Integrated Exposure Uptake Biokinetic model for lead in children and to the Combustion Technical Assistance Center. (NCEA)

Other Region 8 Superfund Support:

 Designed a monitoring plan for Superfund site in Laramie, WY. (NRMRL)

- Providing active support for Lowry Landfill, a former tire pile area. (NRMRL)
- Completed another field demonstration for treatment of acid mine drainage contamination. (NRMRL)
- Developing approach to incorporate bioavailability in site-specific risk assessments and treatment performance. (NRMRL)
- Will soon be conducting field evaluations at appropriate sites, and developing design, operation and monitoring approaches for landfill bioreactors. (NRMRL)

Superfund Site Support Region Nine

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Region 9 Superfund Support:

McCormick & Baxter Superfund Site – A steam injection treatability study was recently completed for the McCormick & Baxter Superfund site in Stockton, CA. This former wood treatment facility has an estimated 1 million gallons of creosote and other wood treating wastes in the subsurface, extending to a depth greater than 200 feet. The treatability study showed that steam injection can effectively recover 70 to 99 percent of the creosote contaminants, depending on the composition of the creosote and the texture of the soil. In addition, it was shown that oxidation of creosote components can occur at the temperatures achieved during steam injection remediation. (NRMRL)

Hazardous Substance Research Center - The Western Region Hazardous Substance Research Center for Developing In-situ Processes for VOC Remediation in Groundwater and Soils will focus on subsurface contamination problems associated with volatile organic chemicals (VOC), with an emphasis on chlorinated solvents. VOCs have emerged as a major groundwater contamination problem facing EPA's Regions 9 and 10 and the nation. Research projects have been developed in four focus areas: anaerobic reductive processes, aerobic cometabolism, physical and chemical abiotic processes and site characterization. Mathematical and physical modeling will be key components of each focus area. The Center's research will focus on a variety of projects including: anaerobic reductive processes for the remediation of TCE at high concentrations; experimental and modeling studies related to chemical delivery and product

removal during in-situ anaerobic treatment; and, factors that influence sustainability of the aerobic cometabolism of chlorinated with mixed and pure cultures grown on butane (to name a few). The technology transfer and outreach programs have three activities that include: taking new technologies from the laboratory to the field, and technical outreach to communities in Regions 9 and 10 with special emphasis on Brownfields. (NCER)

Montrose Superfund Site – A thermal remediation treatability study is being planned for the Montrose Superfund Site in Torrence, CA. The treatability study will evaluate the use of steam injection or electrical heating to remediate DNAPLs from contaminated site soils. This research project will begin this fall with the collection of contaminated soil samples. (NRMRL)

Performance Monitoring (Port Hueneme, CA) – A field investigation at a site located near Los Angeles was conducted to evaluate the effectiveness of enhanced bioremediation of MTBE in groundwater. Working with Region 9, the state of California and the U.S. Department of Defense, ORD designed, constructed and operated the 30-month investigation. It was completed in March 2002, and the final report is in preparation. (NRMRL)

<u>Del Monte Superfund Site (Oahu, HI)</u> — ORD is providing support on the phytoremediation treatment unit. Pesticide contaminated groundwater from a perched aquifer is pumped into the phytoremediation treatment unit. Bench- and pilot-scale treatability studies support the selection of this technology as the final remedy. (NRMRL)

Mine Site Evaluations – Work has been busy as ORD conducts chemical analyses to see if certain remedial technologies can be used at the Rio Tinto, Yerington Anaconda, Leviathan and Colorado Hill mine sites. A demonstration project is being conducted to compare various chemical and biological semi-passive treatments such as biphasic treatment, lime lagoons, sulfide-reducing bioreactors and aerobic polishers to treat acid mine drainage. (NRMRL)

<u>Valley Wood –</u> ORD provided input on soil cleanup levels for arsenic and associated excavation levels. (NRMRL)

<u>Cooper Drum</u> – ORD was called in to the Cooper Drum site to help assess the applicability of enhanced bioremediation and monitored natural attenuation (MNA) remedies. It also reviewed the Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study (RI/FS). (NRMRL)

The Remediation Technologies Development Forum – Under the leadership of the Technology Innovation Office, OSWER has sites in Regions 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10. Work is progressing to determine hydrocarbon degradation by phytotechnologies using a standard protocol. (NRMRL)

Alternative Cover Assessment Project (ACAP) — ORD's multi-site work on the alternative cover assessment project (ACAP) has locations in Regions 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10. This work is to determine infiltration rates at landfills and evaluate alternative cover options. (NRMRL)

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tests. A reassessment of EPA Regional needs is planned in FYo3 and selected technologies/needs will be given high priority in the selection of future SITE demonstrations. Current priorities for remediation technologies, which are revised annually by a broad stakeholder group, focus on sites that have contaminated sediments, DNAPLs, acid mine drainage, manufactured gas plants and pesticides sites. Priority contaminants include chlorinated solvents, PCBs, PAHs and metals. For Region 9, the SITE Program completed one field demonstration for Lead-contaminated soils and is currently selecting technologies for an in-situ biological treatment of PCB-contaminated sediment in Pearl Harbor, HI. Another demonstration of three different technologies is currently being conducted for acid mine drainage in California, and a DNAPL recovery project has been initiated at the F&B Site in Phoenix, AZ. (NERL and NRMRL)

Contaminated Sediment Mass Fate and Transport Models Evaluation – This effort will describe the currently available sediment/contaminant fate and transport models. The highest ranked models will be evaluated for multiple classes of receiving waters. Where weaknesses are identified during the model evaluation, modules will be enhanced or created for the top-ranked contaminated sediment fate and transport models for major water resource classes. Possibilities include simulations for groundwater advective flow under and through a cap, compressive effects of adding additional mass to the underlying sediments from a cap, natural gas escaping from the organic compounds in the sediments, and cap scour and displacement. (NERL)

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Other Region 9 Site Support:

- Provided information on risk assessment for Superfund site on the Palos Verdes shelf in Southern California. (NHEERL)
- Monitoring performance and closure criteria of several soil venting projects at the Tucson International Airport Site, Tucson, AZ. (NRMRL)
- Assisted in audit of GC and GC/MS laboratory data and provided analytical protocol assessments at Aeroject General Corporation in Rancho Cordora, CA. (NERL)
- Estimating volume of LNAPL, natural attenuation and electron acceptor mass balance at Williams AFB Superfund Site, Phoenix, AZ. (NRMRL)
- Provided guidance on the problems of pseudoreplication. (NHEERL)
- Continuing to provide active support for Edwards Air Force Base. (NRMRL)
- Conducted field evaluations on in-situ and ex situ treatment technologies for treatment of MTBE at the source and the wellhead. (NRMRL)
- Provided information on the use of equilibrium partitioning theory in establishing sediment clean-up levels in Superfund sites in San Francisco Bay. (NHEERL)

- Conducted "Introduction to Phytoremediation" course in San Diego, CA. (NRMRL)
- Determined flow paths of contaminated groundwater on and near the Casmalia Disposal Site in Santa Barbara, CA. (NERL)
- Worked with Regional and State personnel on approval criteria for ET covers in Southern California. (NRMRL)
- Coordinated work with Region, State and University of Hawaii in response to heptachlor accumulation in garden and crop plants. (NRMRL)
- Coordinating a team of ORD and Region 9 scientists to measure indoor air quality of residential housing located within 50 feet of BKK, a former landfill near Los Angeles. (NRMRL)
- Developing approach to incorporate bioavailability in site-specific risk assessments and treatment performance. (NRMRL)
- Will soon be conducting field evaluations at appropriate sites, and developing design, operation and monitoring approaches for landfill bioreactors. (NRMRL)

Superfund Site Support Region Ten

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Region 10 Superfund Support:

Wyckoff/Eagle Harbor - A steam injection treatability study was recently completed for the Wyckoff/Eagle Harbor Superfund site. This former wood treatment facility has an estimated 1 million gallons of creosote and other wood treating wastes in the subsurface. which were flowing into Puget Sound and Eagle Harbor. The treatability study showed that steam injection can effectively recover 70 to 99 percent of the creosote contaminants, depending on the composition of the creosote and the texture of the soil. In addition, it was shown that oxidation of creosote components can occur at the temperatures achieved during steam injection remediation. Specifically, the ORD study evaluated microbial diversity and activity prior to and after steaming. Soil samples, from both the vadose zone and the saturated zone of five site areas as well as one saturated sample from the mudline. were collected. Microcosms were constructed and operated for 9 weeks, and then samples were taken from them at times of 0, 2, 5, and 8 or 9 weeks. Samples were analyzed for 19 PAH compounds and prepared for phospholipid fatty acid (PLFA) analysis, which assesses microbial diversity, biomass, and metabolic activity. Data interpretation is in process for preparation of a draft report. (NRMRL)

Bunker Hill Superfund Site – ORD provides ongoing support to Region 10 with the evaluation of remediation at the Bunker Hill Superfund site. In FY 2000, a Symposium on Remediation Effectiveness was held at Coeur d'Alene, ID. The proceedings will appear in the October 2002 issue of the Science of the Total Environment. (NCEA)

<u>Wide Area Assessment</u> – ORD has been in recent discussions with Region 10 regarding a wide area assessment being conducted in and around Trail, BC. The area of concern extends below the border to Lake Roosevelt on the Columbia River. Region 10 currently is in the initial site investigation stage to determine whether or not the U.S. zone should be placed on the NPL. (NHEERL)

<u>Hazardous Substance Research Center –</u> The Western Region Hazardous Substance Research Center for Developing In-situ Processes for VOC Remediation in Groundwater and Soils will focus on subsurface contamination problems associated with volatile organic chemicals (VOC) with an emphasis on chlorinated solvents. VOCs have emerged as a major groundwater contamination problem facing EPA's Regions 9 and 10 and the nation. Research projects have been developed in four focus areas: anaerobic reductive processes, aerobic cometabolism, physical and chemical abiotic processes and site characterization. Mathematical and physical modeling will be key components of each focus area. The Center's research will focus on a variety of projects including: anaerobic reductive processes for the remediation of TCE at high concentrations; experimental and modeling studies related to chemical delivery and product removal during in-situ anaerobic treatment; and, factors that influence sustainability of the aerobic cometabolism of chlorinated with mixed and pure cultures grown on butane (to name a few). The technology transfer and outreach programs have three activities that include: taking new technologies from the laboratory to the field, and technical outreach to communities in Regions 9 and 10 with special emphasis on Brownfields. (NCER)

Grower Discussions – Per Region 10's request, ORD researchers visited with affected Idaho growers, processors, researchers and regulators last July (2001) concerning the movement of OUST from BLM land onto farmland. (NHEERL)

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Contaminated Sediment Mass Fate and Transport Models Evaluation – This effort will describe the currently available sediment/contaminant fate and transport models. The highest ranked models will be evaluated for multiple classes of receiving waters. Where weaknesses are identified during the model evaluation, modules will be enhanced or created for the top-ranked contaminated sediment fate and transport models for major water resource classes. Possibilities include simulations for groundwater advective flow under and through a cap, compressive effects of adding additional mass to the underlying sediments from a cap, natural gas escaping from the organic compounds in the sediments, and cap scour and displacement. (NERL)

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Other Region 10 Superfund Support:

- Continuing active support for East Gate Disposal Yard, Ft. Lewis Army Reserve. (NRMRL)
- Working at Eagle Harbor site to evaluate capping effectiveness for PAH-contaminated sediments. (NRMRL)
- Developing approach to incorporate bioavailability in site-specific risk assessments and treatment performance. (NRMRL)
- Will soon be conducting field evaluations at appropriate sites, and developing design, operation and monitoring approaches for landfill bioreactors. (NRMRL)

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Laboratory/Center Contacts for General Information:		
National Center for Environmental Assessment (NCEA)	Kevin Garrahan	202-564-3336
National Center for Environmental Research (NCER) (Including-Hazardous Substance Research Centers)	Mitch Lasat	202-564-6826
National Exposure Research Laboratory (NERL)	Jane Denne	702-798-2655
National Health and Environmental Effects Research Laboratory (NHEERL)	Bill Russo (on detail)	919-541-7869
National Risk Management Research Laboratory (NRMRL)	Trish Erickson	513-569-7406
Office of Science Policy (OSP)/Superfund Technical Liaison Program	Randy Wentsel	202-564-3214

Contaminated Sites – Site Specific Technical Support:

Specific elements included are:

Environmental Photographic Interpretation Center (EPIC) - Contact: Donald Garofalo 703-648-4285. http://lvord1.las.epa.gov:9876/epic/default.htm -This center provides site-specific information on the condition and activities occurring at hazardous waste disposal sites at a point in time or over a historical period; documents these conditions and changes; provide guides in the form of reports, maps, and photographs for assisting in the safe cleanup of hazardous waste materials; and assists in emergency response and enforcement efforts when requested by client offices. Remote sensing technical support is provided to all EPA Regional Superfund Offices and OERR, and includes: hazardous waste disposal site characterization and mapping; annotated aerial photo interpretation reports; topographic mapping of waste disposal sites; acquisition of aerial photographs; and enforcement support. FYo1 requests by Region (122 total requests): R1=24%, R2=16%, R3=21%, R4=15%, R5=8%, R6=7%, R7=6%, R8=None, R9=4%, R10=1%. FY01 primary request types: historical site analysis; photo support; topographic maps.

Monitoring and Site Characterization Technology Support Center – Contact: Acting Director, Chris Sibert, 702-798-2270.

http://www.epa.gov/nerlesd1/tsc/tsc.htm – This center provides scientific and technical assistance in the characterization of hazardous waste sites and associated site contaminants. State-of-the-science methods and technologies are identified and applied to identify contaminants, determine their levels and concentrations, and identify their geographic extent and distribution for site characterization and remediation. FY01 requests by Region (94 major/259 short-term requests): R1=7%, R2=17%, R3=15%, R4=13%, R5=5%, R6=7%, R7=9%, R8=4%, R9=17%, R10=5%. FY01 primary request types: statistical design; document review; analytical support.

Center for Exposure Assessment Modeling (CEAM) — Contact: Frank Stancil 706-355-8100. http://www.epa.gov/ceampubl/ceamhome.htm — CEAM's goals are to develop, maintain, distribute, and apply state-of-the-science technical tools including multimedia exposure and ecosystem response simulation models, environmental databases, data analysis packages, tool application strategies, and advanced educational materials in the environmental sciences. FY01 requests (162 phone inquiries): FY01 primary request types: distributed 15,560 copies of models.

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Center for Subsurface Modeling Support (CSMoS) – Contact: David Jewett 580-436-8560. http://www.epa.gov/ada/csmos.html – Provides support for development, testing, application, and distribution of models on fate and transport of contaminants in the subsurface environment. FY01 requests (approximately 400 phone/email requests). FY01 primary request types: distributed 11,000+copies of models.

Engineering Technical Support Center (ETSC) and Superfund Technical Assistance Response Team (START) - Contact: Dave Reisman 513-569-7588. This center provides site-specific assistance on engineering and treatment issues during any phase of a site cleanup. Focus areas include containment, thermal treatments, soil vapor extraction, bioremediation, and solidification/stabilization. Support is provided for incorporating technology-based data needs in the RI/FS phase and conducting/evaluating site-specific remedy options in the RD/RA and post-construction phases. The center publishes Engineering Bulletins on technologies and site types. The center supports Superfund, Brownfields, and RCRA Corrective Action sites. FYo1 requests by Region (325 actions at 100 sites): R1=6%, R2=4%, R3=11%, R4=28%, R5=10%, R6=1%, R7=2%, R8=9%, R9=25%, R10=3%. FY01 primary request types: mining sites increasing; monitored natural attenuation and DNAPL questions continue; landfills and phytoremediation; most frequent technology-specific requests on stabilization/solidification and phytoremediation.

Ground Water Technical Support Center (GWTSC) -Contact: Dave Burden 580-436-8606. http://www.epa.gov/ada/tsc.html - This center provides site-specific assistance on ground water and subsurface contamination problems in site remediation. Focus areas include in-situ water treatment, in-situ thermal treatment, monitored natural attenuation, soil vapor extraction, and permeable reactive barriers. The center also publishes issue papers on subsurface remediation and ground water topics and provides project manager training upon request by the regions. The center supports Superfund, Brownfields, and RCRA Corrective Action sites. FY01 requests by Region (98 actions at 64 sites): R1=17%, R2=10%, R3=15%, R4=21%, R5=5%, R6=3%, R7=3%, R8=4%, R9=19%, R10=1%.FY01 primary request types: see ETSC.

Superfund Health Risk Technical Support Center (STSC) - Contact: Harlal Choudhury 513/569-7536. This center supports Regional and headquarters Superfund risk assessors by reviewing and developing exposure and toxicity factors that allow more accurate quantitative estimates of risk to be developed. Much of the activity is focused on developing new and updated externally peer reviewed provisional toxicity values that describe dose-response toxicological relationships. STSC is in the process of upgrading the Health Effects Assessment Summary Tables (HEAST) chemicals to externally peer reviewed provisional toxicity values. The Center also provides user support through the STSC Hotline as well as on-site expertise reviews. All assistance is provided on a rapid turn-around basis. FYo1 requests by Region (regions = 35% of total requests): R1=16%, R2=21%, R3=11%, R4=10%, R5=19%, R6=5%, R7=6%, R8=6%, R9=2%, R10=4%. FY01 primary request types: carcinogenicity; RfD; RfC; TCE; PERC.

Ecological Risk Assessment Technical Support Center (ERASC) - Contact: Michael Kravitz 513-569-7740. This center provides technical information and addresses scientific questions of concern or interest on topics relevant to ecological risk assessment at hazardous waste sites for EPA's Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response (OSWER) personnel and Regional Superfund/RCRA staff. ERASC accomplishes this by drawing on the expertise of the Agency's laboratories and research centers as well as scientific community experts. For further information, access ERASC's Intranet site: http://intranet.epa.gov/ncea/erasc/index.htm. FYo1 requests (7 requests; pilot established FYo1): handles requests forwarded by regional ecotoxicologists or ERAF members. FYo1 primary request types: dredging; PCBs; soil/sediment TOC analyses; equilibrium partitioning approach; individual measurements versus population effects; EDCs.

Combustion Technical Assistance Center (CTAC) – Contact: Harlal Choudhury 513/569-7536. This center provides technical assistance to Regional, state, and headquarter risk assessors who must evaluate the risks from more than 200 RCRA combustion facilities. Major issues addressed include evaluating the fate, transport and toxicity of combustor contaminants; and developing procedures to better quantify the risks from these facilities. FY01 requests by Region (27 requests): R1=2%, R2=9%, R3=2%, R4=4%,

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R5=4%, R6=4%, R7=2%, R8=None, R9=7%, R10=40%. FY01 primary request types: toxicity; procedures/methodology; review of biotransfer coefficients (Travis and Arms).

<u>Superfund Program Support/Tech Transfer –</u> Contact: Lab/Center as above. Technical support to the OSWER Superfund Program includes technology transfer, issue papers on topics of concern to the program, workshops, manuals, and other support to program office activities. Support is provided across the risk paradigm.

RCRA Program Support — Contact: Lab/Center as above. Technical support to the OSWER RCRA program includes technical advice on implementation of combustion regulations, tech transfer documents, workshops and P2 to support RCRA programs, scientific advice, input and review in support of regulations and guidance, and support of HWIR.

Hazardous Substance Technical Liaison Program – For more information on this program, please refer to the "Hazardous Substances Technical Liaison Program" section located near the beginning of this tabbed section.

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Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR)
Solicitation & Workshops – ORD worked with Region
1 to develop a special SBIR solicitation to help meet
their specific needs and priorities. The solicitation,
"Environmental Solutions for Treatment of Arsenic
in Small Drinking Water Systems, Stormwater
Runoff, Combined Sewer Overflows (CSOs), Urban
River Sediments and Infrastructure Rehabilitation,"
opened on January 31, 2002, and closed on March 21,
2002. SBIR workshops have also been held to help
small businesses convert environmental ideas,
inventions, innovations, patents and processes into
commercial, environmental technologies. (NCER)

<u>Estuary Evaluation</u> – To support Region 1, ORD is assisting in the evaluation of nutrient loading to estuaries. Together, ORD and the Region are modeling the effects of that loading in the context of the National Estuary Program. (NHEERL)

<u>Field Evaluations</u> — ORD is participating in a collaborative effort to set up field evaluations of innovative technologies associated with small mobile packaged treatment systems. The Region is currently searching for potential sites for an upcoming evaluation using an advanced oxidation process to remove contaminants from drinking water sources. (NRMRL)

STAR Grant Workshops – ORD and Region 1 are planning a pilot workshop, tentatively scheduled for November 14, 2002, to bring STAR grantees to the Regional office for presentations and discussions. Region 1 has identified the specific grants in which they are interested. If successful, similar workshops will be planned in each Region. (NCER)

Research Plan Development and Implementation (Connecticut River) – ORD is currently working through various EPA Programs, Regions and The Connecticut River Airshed-Watershed Consortium to assist in various research regarding the Connecticut River basin. The group will conduct an interdisciplinary research program to define various resource management options for solving long-term degradation and pollution problems in the river. Additionally, ORD is providing support with the development of research plans on nutrient and pathogen non-point sources, rooftop runoff control and street sweeping in the Connecticut River watershed. (NRMRL)

Long Island Sound Study Support – ORD is currently assisting in Long Island Sound's "Site Designation Study." Specific support includes quantifying macrophage aggregate area in the spleens of winter flounder (as a marker of PAH pollution and disease), and reviewing the physical oceanography Quality Assurance Project Plan for this project. (NHEERL)

<u>Technical Information Support</u> – Technical information has been key in developing the protocols for evaluating dredged material in Region 1. Additionally, it has contributed to the measurement of lipids in tissues being tested as part of dredged material assessments. (NHEERL)

Water Treatment Testing and Field Studies – The ETV DWS Center, in partnership with the University of New Hampshire (UNH) Water Treatment Technology Assistance Center, will conduct testing of two Separmatic Fluid Systems DE filter package systems. The systems' goal is to remove cryptosporidium from drinking water at a UNH site. The Center also recently conducted a field study of the Pall Corporation's Microfiltration Microza 4UFD40004-45, LGV3L Package Plant for particulate and microbial control in drinking water at Manchester, NH. (NRMRL)

Technical Equipment and Guidance – Per request from Region 1, ORD provided Hydrolab equipment and technical guidance via an RLA to the Wood Pawcatuck Watershed Association. Work is continuing into FYO3. (NHEERL)

<u>Modeling Reviews</u> – Region 1 recently submitted a proposal on the multifactorial analysis of time-dependent variables contributing to hypoxia in Western Long Island Sound. Prior to the proposal's submission, ORD was called in to provide a technical review of the modeling portions. (NHEERL)

<u>Macroinvertebrate Index Development –</u> With the state of New Hampshire, ORD is developing a multi-metric index for macroinvertebrates. The index will help monitor the biological condition of state streams. (NERL)

<u>Nonindigenous Species</u> – ORD coordinated the response to the importation of exotic aquarium plants and animals as well as information about Eurasian milfoil. (NHEERL)

Mercury Exposure Research – Working through a cooperative agreement with the University of Vermont, ORD is researching the impacts of atmospheric deposition and lake watershed processes on mercury exposure of fish and piscivorus wildlife in New England lakes. (NERL)

National Coastal Assessment Program (NCAP) — ORD's leadership in the northeast National Coastal Assessment Program, although directed at individual states, has also become of great interest to Regions 1, 2 and 3. Regional managers have been involved in every stage of this effort, from the initial meetings through data assessment and reporting. (NHEERL)

Regional Endocrine Disrupting Chemicals (EDCs)
Workshop – This workshop was held May 1-3, 2001, in Atlanta. The objective was to provide an opportunity for Regional scientists to learn the most recent advances in the area of endocrine disruption and how this research could relate to regional issues. The status of current research on the effects of chemicals on thyroid function of amphibians, a high-priority problem in Region 1, was presented. (NHEERL)

National Assessment of Landscape Change by Ecoregion – This ORD effort is a collaborative, multi-year study with the USGS EROS Data Center. It is analyzing landscape changes between the early 1970s and early 2000s, and helping determine the

rates and causes of changes. Pilot studies are complete and results will be available for ecoregions for Regions 1, 2, 3 and 4. National results should be available by 2006 for all Regions. (NERL)

Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research (EPSCOR) – EPSCOR is a joint program with EPA and 20 U.S. states and territories. The program supports the development of the states' science, technology and environmental education resources through partnerships with states' universities, industry, government and federal research and development. ORD funds EPSCOR programs in Alabama, Alaska, Arkansas, Hawaii, Idaho, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, North Dakota, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Vermont, West Virginia, Wyoming and Puerto Rico. (NCER)

First National Environmental Health Survey of Childcare Centers – This ORD effort is a collaborative study with HUD and CPSC. This study will collect and analyze measurements of pesticide residues in childcare centers nationwide. Region-specific concentration, exposure and biomonitoring data will be gathered from across the U.S. during the design of the main study. (NERL)

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Other Region 1 Support Activities:

- Technical reviews of several Providence River dredging proposals (NHEERL)
- Providing support to evaluate control technologies for MTBE and PCE (NRMRL)
- Quality Assurance Project Plan reviews for a modeling study of 89 Massachusetts estuaries and a flushing study of Acushnet River Estuary, RI (NHEERL)

- Supporting the Region in its lawsuit against the Mass Water Resources Authority (MWRA) and the filtration issue (NRMRL)
- Technical review of Quonsett Point, RI, dredging proposal (NHEERL)
- Serving as instructors for required drinking water treatment operator course, part of the Region's outreach and monitoring activities for promulgated rules and regulations (NRMRL)
- Review of Charles River water quality monitoring proposal (NHEERL)
- Assistance for Regional personnel in synthesis and interpretation of sediment profile image data from Mount Hope Bay, RI (NHEERL)
- Transferring information management tools and techniques for National Coastal Assessment (NHEERL)
- Providing a Region-based technical advisor to assist in training staff on technical issues, setting up workshops and responding to technical requests (NHEERL)
- Working with Region 1 to develop coastal wetland monitoring program (NHEERL)
- Developing proposal for Regional Methods Initiative, focusing on bioassessment methods for tidal-fresh streams (NHEERL)
- Reviewing a proposal for eutrophication-related research on Long Island Sound (NHEERL)
- Measuring contaminant levels in sediment samples from the Barrington River (NHEERL)
- Providing technical information related to dioxin contamination of the Woonasquatucket River, RI (NHEERL)
- Providing information on standard reference materials for the dibenzodioxins measurement (NHEERL)
- Collecting and providing data and literature information on contaminant levels in winter flounder (NHEERL)

- Establishing conduit for technical transfer of latest endocrine disrupting chemical information to Region 1 scientists (NHEERL)
- Supporting model-based TMDL study in Seekonk and Providence Rivers (NHEERL)
- Reviewing implementation manual for lake nutrient criteria (NHEERL)
- Serving on Region 1 Technical Advisory Group for estuaries nutrient criteria development (NHEERL)
- Participating in development of a contaminantmonitoring program for Rhode Island fish. (NHEERL)

- Developing diagnostic tools (NHEERL)
- Developing rapid methods to measure pathogens in seawater samples (NHEERL)
- Transmitting protocols on the measurement of lipids in marine tissue samples (NHEERL)
- Conducted the transfer of information management tools and techniques and provided survey design support for each of the 10 Regional R-EMAP projects. (NHEERL)
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Hydrological and Thermal Constraints Analyses (Lake Ontario) – ORD scientists followed up field studies performed in collaboration with Region 2 in 1994 and 1997 with additional analyses of benthic communities in Lake Ontario. Objectives were: 1.) to provide indicators of ecological condition; and, 2.) to provide mechanistic knowledge and a conceptual model of how these indicators function. During this analyses the influence of habitat and hydrological events on benthic community structure and function was determined at different depths and locations in Lake Ontario. Seasonal changes of the quality and quantity of phytoplankton as a food source were also determined, including how those seasonal changes affect zooplankton and Diporeia. (NHEERL)

8th Drinking Water/Wastewater Seminar (Dorado, Puerto Rico) — During this seminar, the EPA presented a synopsis of the technical support it provides in Puerto Rico in relation to small drinking water systems, remote monitoring and small community water quality control in Puerto Rico. Project status, programs and specific research projects were discussed. (NRMRL)

Mid-Atlantic Integrated Assessment (MAIA) — ORD, through MAIA, directly supports a large effort focused in Region 3, but extending into Regions 2 and 4. ORD and Region 3 share the responsibility for implementing this program. ORD's leadership in the northeast National Coastal Assessment Program, although directed at individual states, is of great interest to Regions 1, 2, and 3. Regional managers have been involved in every stage of this effort, from the initial meetings through data assessment and reporting. (NHEERL)

New York Harbor TMDL Pathogens Workgroup — ORD participates in this workgroup with key technical advice. For example, it provided indicator die-off data, which supports the development of the Harbor's receiving-water quality model for pathogens. (NRMRL)

<u>Virgin Islands Monitoring Surveys</u> — Working with Region 2, ORD designed and implemented monitoring surveys to examine the effects of effluents from the Virgin Islands Rum Industries. Specifically it reviewed the effects on coral reefs and submerged aquatic vegetation beds in the coastal areas near the St. Croix. (NHEERL)

Landscape Assessment (Catskill/Delaware Watersheds) – This project is a comprehensive assessment of landscape changes on the watersheds where most of New York City's drinking water supply comes from. It contributed to plans to conserve the city's outstanding drinking water quality. (NERL)

American Lobster Mortality Research – ORD is currently assisting in research to investigate the cause of American lobster mortality in Long Island Sound. This research includes examining lobsters from Long Island Sound for histopathological changes. (NHEERL)

Numerical Criteria for Assessing Dredged Material Bioaccumulation Tests – Bioaccumulation testing is required as part of the framework for deciding on appropriate disposal options for material from navigational dredging. In general, the evaluation of this data has been based on statistical comparison to values from "reference" areas rather than being based on actual expected risk. Per Region 2's request, ORD assisted in developing scientifically defensible, risk-based guidelines for evaluating dredged material. This effort was pre-empted by 9/11, but is expected to resume in the future. (NHEERL)

Chlorinated Biphenylenes Toxicity Consultation – Responding to Region concerns about potential dioxin-like toxicity, ORD analyzed dust from New York City for a series of chlorinated substances including chlorinated biphenylenes. QSAR predictions were conducted, which suggested that the chemicals would have dioxin-like toxicities, but with much less potencies than TCDD. (NHEERL)

TMDLs for Acid Rain and its Effects – ORD is providing technical advice to devise TMDLs for acid rain and its effects on Adirondack Lakes. This is the first time anyone will have tried to apply an aquatic TMDL to an air pollution problem. (NHEERL)

Health Effect Studies of Dioxin – ORD has provided technical assistance for Hyde Park and other sites in and around the Niagara Falls, NY. Its emphasis has been on conducting long-term studies of bioaccumulation and the human health and ecological effects of dioxin-like chemicals in Lake Ontario. (NHEERL)

North American Landscape Characterization Program (NALC) – This is a multi-agency project with USGS EROS Data Center and NASA to assemble Landsat data sets from the early 1970s, mid-1980s and early 1990s to conduct historical landscape change analyses. The data have and continue to be used in landscape change analyses being conducted in EPA Regions 2-10. (NERL)

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Other Region 2 Site Support Activities:

 Transferred information on the research and application of land cover/land use, including standards, to serve as a guide for the Mid-Atlantic Region. (NHEERL)

- Served as an active participant in the administrative consent order against NYC regarding the issue of filtering its source water. (NRMRL)
- Supported Regional 305 (b) efforts through National Coastal Assessment monitoring designs and interactions with individual states. (NHEERL)
- Provided support on several Region 2 R-EMAP projects. This included reviewing proposals and coordinating data analysis. (NHEERL)
- Supported development of wetland monitoring approaches and indicators in the Juniata and Nanticoke pilot watersheds. (NHEERL)
- Transferred Central, PA, Spring Creek Watershed Partnership's stream restoration approach to Regions, States and local governments. (NHEERL)
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Ecosystem Restoration Effects – Working in coordination with Baltimore County's Department of Environmental Protection and Resource Management, researchers are to evaluate the effectiveness and benefits of stream restoration on water quality and nitrate removal. Minebank Run, a small stream in Baltimore, MD, will be restored to improve geomorphic stability. Restoration will include reshaping stream banks to reconnect the stream channel to the flood plain, stream bank reinforcement, reconstructing stream meander features and riffle zones, and re-establishing riparian plant communities. (NRMRL)

Landscape Indicators for Pesticide Study (Mid-Atlantic Coastal Streams) – ORD has completed research into method development for the analyses of sediments for 70 chlorine, nitrogen and phosphorus-containing pesticides and PCBs. Analyses of 200 samples are now in process. Analyses are complete on the same 200 sediment samples for mercury, arsenic, cadmium, chromium, lead and selenium. (NERL)

Water Distribution System Monitoring – EPA implemented corrective action related to Coliform sp. violations in the Washington D.C. Water and Sewer Authority (WASA) water distribution system. As a result, a Web-based remote monitoring system was set up on the system through a collaborative effort with WASA and the Region. (NRMRL)

Region 3 Mid-Atlantic Integrated Assessment (MAIA) STAR Grant Evaluation – The MAIA team evaluated all its Regions' STAR grants (approximately 300) to determine which grant research results could easily

be implemented and used by managers to facilitate decision-making. MAIA took STAR research to 10 groups including Baltimore County, Maryland Department of Environmental Protection and Resource Management; Loudon County, Virginia Planning Commission; Delaware Center for Inland-Bays; and others. In one example, Calvert County, MA, used STAR grant results to manage the county's urban sprawl. (NCER)

Landscape Model Development (Mid-Atlantic U.S.) -This ORD project includes empirical studies quantifying the relationships between landscape conditions within riparian zones and across watersheds as well as water quality, stream biota and the quality of breeding bird habitats. The models developed from these studies are then applied to the assessment of historical landscape change to determine how landscape changes have affected water resources and bird habitats. The models are also used to evaluate future landscape change scenarios being formulated by the Regional Vulnerability Assessment Program (ReVA). The work supports the ongoing MAIA Integrated Assessment in Region 3 and parts of Regions 2 and 4. The models will also assist Region 3 in targeting streams most likely to exceed TMDL thresholds for nutrients and sediment. (NERL)

Landscape Indicators for Mid-Atlantic Coastal
Streams Pesticides Study – This extensive ORD
effort, in collaboration with the USGS, develops
models linking spatial landscape data to pesticide
loadings into first order streams of Mid-Atlantic
Region coastal streams. The project also involves a
probably sample of first order streams to estimate
their physical, chemical and biological condition.
The project fills a significant data gap in stream
monitoring in Regions 3 and 4 and provides a way
to evaluate streams at risk for pesticides. (NERL)

<u>ORD Scientist Participation</u> — ORD scientists take an active role in Regional science issues. Several scientists are currently serving on an expert panel that oversees the development of the Delaware Estuary PCB Model. This model will be used in TMDL development. Other ORD scientists are technical advisors to the Region

on the sediment transport modeling study performed by EA Engineering, Science and Technology, Inc. as a component of the Washington NPDES permit. (NERL)

Riverine Biological Integrity Research – ORD has funded a grant with the University of Tennessee to determine the economic value of riverine biological integrity in the Clinch Valley of southwest Virginia and northeast Tennessee. Researchers have completed a set of surveys in which valley residents indicated the kinds of Regional economic trade-offs they would be willing to make to improve stream biological quality. Results are being analyzed. (NCEA)

Assessment of 305B Reporting Segments of the Ohio River – ORD and the Ohio River Sanitation Commission are working together to compare assessments of the condition of fish and macroinvertebrate assemblages. This information was obtained from a variety of areas, from sites selected with the EMAP probability design to those from a long-term intensive monitoring survey at four navigational pools located in the upper Ohio River. (NERL)

Nonindigenous Species (NIS) — Per Region request, ORD coordinated a response from the NIS Working Group regarding the ecological risks associated with the exotic Suminoe oyster's introduction into Chesapeake Bay. A number of Regional NIS issues have been addressed regarding the Superfund program. One example includes whether project managers should put native species requirements into decision records. (NHEERL)

Aquatic Impacts Study of Mountaintop Mining and Valley Fill Practices (West Virginia) – ORD assisted Region 3 in the analysis and interpretation of fish, macroinvertebrate, water chemistry and habitat data. This work assisted in evaluating the potential impacts of mountaintop mining and valley fill practices on the biological integrity of streams in West Virginia. (NERL)

Endangered Species Location and Biological Data Tracking – This effort focuses on securing access to specific location and biological data of threatened and endangered species. Known as the multi-jurisdictional database (MJD), this cooperative effort between EPA

and Region 3 will track the information that currently resides within State Heritage Programs and other sources within each individual state. (NRMRL)

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<u>Canaan Valley Watershed Management</u> – Restoration of riparian zones and acid mine drainage remediation are being applied to stressed watersheds in the Highlands. ORD is applying fate/transport and aquatic community models to provide management input for restoration activities. (NERL)

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Indicators of Ecological Integrity for the Ohio River — ORD, in collaboration with ORSANCO, other State and Federal agencies, and academia are developing basin-scale multi-metric indices to assess the condition of the Ohio River based on characteristics of fish and macroinvertebrate populations. (NERL)

PM Panel Studies (Baltimore) – ORD's University Partnership Program (UPAs) utilizes Region-specific data from California (Region 9), New Jersey (Region 2), Pennsylvania (region 3), etc. in building modules for SHEDS. It is also used for developing MENTOR source-to-dose exposure models. (NERL)

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R-EMAP: Small Watershed Characterization,
Classification and Assessment for West Virginia –
Utilizing EMAP design tools, ORD provided primary
support with experimental design and GIS site selection
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Washington Aqueduct Permit Renewal Support - The ORD provided significant review and input into the deliberations associated with the renewal of the NPDES permit for the Washington Aqueduct, the major drinking water supplier for the District of Columbia. The results of a Region 3 contractor-prepared study on the potential impacts of the Washington Aqueduct on organisms in the Potomac River were criticized by several external parties. An ORD toxicologist, fisheries biologists and a sediment modeler readily offered their services, responding to the quick turnaround times needed by the Region. Their input proved very valuable in responding to criticisms, providing a range of suggestions for improving the permit, and making it potentially more acceptable to the concerned parties. (NERL)

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Other Region 3 Support Activities:

- Aided in evaluating a Metro DC microbial contamination problem and helped to initiate a remote telemetry project. (NRMRL)
- Conducted Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) Workshops to help small businesses convert environmental ideas, inventions, innovations, patents and processes into commercial, environmental technologies. (NCER)
- Provide ongoing EMAP support for MAIA stream analysis and interaction with five states on survey design and indicator interpretation. (NHEERL)
- Providing training to Region 3 on the use of common multivariate ordination methods used in interpreting biological data. (NERL)
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- Transferred key messages from the Mid-Atlantic Regional Assessment of Global Climate Change to the Region and States. (NHEERL)
- Transferred key messages, information management tools and techniques from five years of MAIA assessments to Region and States. (NHEERL)

- Developing an HPLC method to distinguish the nonylphenol isomers of greatest concern for endocrine disruption (EDC) activity. (NERL)
- Transferred application of GIS approach to Regions, States and local governments regarding pesticide use reduction at Ruggles Golf Course in Aberdeen Proving Ground, MA. (NHEERL)
- Updated State BioAssessment Programs in Mid-Atlantic Region. (NHEERL)
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- Working with West Virginia to develop a multi-metric index for fish to monitor the biological condition of state streams. (NERL)
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Technical Review of Grass Shrimp Toxicity Final Report – In Nov/Dec 2001, Region 4 requested a review of a Final Report entitled, "Toxicity, Ovary Formation, Embryo Production and Embryo Development Tests in Grass Shrimp (Palaemonetes pugio) Exposed to Sediments from Columbia Nitrogen and pH Tests on Grass Shrimp and Fish (Fundulus heteroclitus)." This report serves as the basis for chronic sublethal toxicity tests for grass shrimp used at several Superfund sites in the southeastern U.S. The technical review, encompassing eight pages of comments, was completed in Jan 2002 and submitted to the Region for its consideration. (NHEERL)

Large River Bioassessement and Monitoring Methods Comparison and Development – This project will compare the results derived from using several large river sampling methods that reflect those in common use for collecting assessment information on algae, benthic macroinvertebrate and fish assemblages as well as physical habitat features. The primary goal has been to provide information that will enable government agencies or individuals charged with the bioassessment and monitoring of large rivers to make informed decisions on the selection of scientifically robust, yet efficient methods that meet assessment endpoints. (NERL)

Coral Reef Joint Monitoring Activities (Florida Keys) – In 2001 and 2002, joint monitoring and research activities were conducted in the Upper and Lower Florida Keys as well as the Dry Tortugas. Aspects of the surveys have addressed disease condition and the relationship of disease occurrence with changes in water quality. (NHEERL)

Mercury Model Development – Several watersheds in Georgia have been sampled for TMDL development by the Region. These data will be used to extend and test the Mercury Model, which was developed by ORD and Region 4 for watershed fate and transformation of mercury species. (NERL)

Technical Consultation Evaluation of Causes of Major Bird Kill (Lake Apopka, FL) – ORD reviewed a technical assessment of the possible causes of a major bird kill where pesticides such as toxaphene and other chlorinated hydrocarbons from historical usages were suspected. The incident occurred when former agricultural fields were flooded, attracting large numbers of white pelicans and other aquatic-dependent birds. (NHEERL)

Impervious Cover Research – ORD is developing and testing an impervious cover indicator by watershed and then applying the methodology to 12-digit HUCs (Hydrologic Unit₁Codes) in Region 4. An "at-risk from development" watershed coverage is also being produced for the Region. (NERL)

<u>Finalizing Wetland Restoration Synoptic Assessment –</u> ORD continues its work with Region 4 to finalize its synoptic assessment in prioritizing wetland restoration for sediment yield reduction. An article was also co-authored with Region 7 on synoptic assessment to prioritize wetland protection for biodiversity, which was published in Biodiversity and Conservation. (NHEERL)

Exposure Assessment Support for Wasp6 – ORD is working with the Region on the testing, refinement, training and support of Wasp6, the Windows-based version of EPA's standard Water Quality Analysis Simulation Program. Region/ORD scientists have given four Wasp6 courses over the past 1+ year at different Regional offices (Seattle, Philadelphia and two in Atlanta). ORD is also working on the sensitivity analysis on a three-dimensional application of Wasp6 and EFDC to the Neuse River estuary. (NERL)

<u>Evaluating the Fate of Contaminants in Sediments</u> <u>and Biota of Wetlands Constructed for Wastewater</u> <u>Treatment –</u> The focus of this study is to evaluate the assimilative capacity of wetlands constructed for

dual role wastewater treatment/restored wetland habitat to chemical stressors entering the system. The data from this study will be utilized by managers and stakeholders to evaluate where these dual role systems are appropriate to use and where these systems are currently working with no problems. It will also help evaluate where systems currently in place are developing potentially long-term contaminant problems that will negatively impact their suitability to provide high-quality wetland habitat and effective wastewater treatment. This study is being conducted in three regions: North Carolina (Region 4), Missouri (Region 7), Wyoming (Region 8). (NRMRL)

Watershed Field Research - A cooperative field data collection project is ongoing in the South Fork Broad River Watershed in the Savannah River Basin. The project consists of intensive storm event stream sampling ORD and Region 4's Science and Ecosystem Support and Water Management Divisions in Athens and Atlanta, GA. It will: 1.) develop sampling protocols to measure the Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) of bedload and suspended sediment, nutrients (nitrate, ammonia, ortho and total phosphorus) and pathogens (fecal coliforms, E. coli and enterococci); and, 2.) create a comprehensive database to develop, field test and apply mathematical models and protocols for calculating the TMDL in this watershed and its tributaries. In 1998, the State of Georgia listed the South Fork Broad River Watershed as biologically impaired (i.e. 303(d) list), but the source of contamination was unknown. Six stream sites have been instrumented with specialized monitoring equipment (three sites with cableway systems) for collecting data before, during and after storm events. (NERL)

ORD Liaison with the Gulf of Mexico Program – An ORD scientist serves as the liaison to the Gulf of Mexico Program. In that capacity, he provides support activities in Region 4 by:

- Serving as Project Officer for the Gulf of Mexico program for offshore hydrodynamic and water quality model development.
- Representing the Gulf program at State and Federal task forces meetings.
- Participating with U.S. Navy Oceanographic and Meteorologic operational support unit located at the Stennis Space Center on joint cooperative work for model development.

- Serving as lead for nitrogen modeling for the Gulf Nutrient Task force which has members from Regions 3, 4 and 6.
- Participating in Gulf comprehensive meetings which has members from Region 4 and 5.
- Representing the Gulf program for environmental security issues.
- Representing the Gulf program as member of NASA's remote imaging environmental program located at Stennis Space Center. (NERL)

Collaborative Efforts Supporting Hypoxia Action Plan Goals - On Oct. 3-4, 2002, ORD will host a meeting with Regions 4, 5, 6 and 7, OW, and GMPO to discuss development of a consensus modeling framework and other collaborative efforts targeting Hypoxia Action Plan goals. These goals include: 1.) reducing the Gulf of Mexico hypoxic zone to <5000 square kilometers by year 2015; 2.) restoring and protecting the waters of the 31 States and Tribal lands within the Mississippi River Basin; and 3.) improving the communities and economic conditions across the Basin. The Hypoxia Action Plan was developed by an Interagency Task Force based on findings of the CENR Integrated Assessment of Hypoxia in the Northern Gulf of Mexico as mandated by Public Law 105-383. OWOW serves as the Chair of the Federal Task Force charged with implementation of the Hypoxia Action Plan. (NHEERL)

Mainstem Green River Monitoring of the Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program – ORD, with the Kentucky Department of Environmental Protection, is working to develop, test and implement practical field methods to collect data on algae, invertebrates, fish and physical habitat. The field methods will be used in a statewide biomonitoring program and to determine restoration activity benefits in the upper Green River basin. (NERL)

Land Cover Methods Development Research – ORD has established a "Virtual Field Reference Database (VFRDB)" for the Neuse River Basin (NRB), which extends from south-central Virginia (Region 3) to the Pamlico Sound in North Carolina (Region 4). This consists of detailed satellite imagery-based land cover data combined with long-term intensive field measurement sites. The VFRDB will be used to: 1.) Develop new phenology-based satellite image analysis methods for the rapid characterization of land-cover

condition and change from Regional to National scales; 2.) Evaluate the relative accuracy of the new NASA-EOS MODIS Leaf Area Index (LAI) measurements for Regional scale application with landscape process models (e.g., biogenic emissions); and, 3.) Advance the development of the next generation of spatially explicit landscape process-based models to provide a predictive modeling capability for important ecosystem processes (e.g., nutrients, sedimentation, pathogens, etc.). (NERL)

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Analytical Tools Interface for Landscape Assessments (ATtILA) – Per Region 4's request, ORD has been developing a user-friendly GIS interface that permits the Regions and other EPA Offices to calculate a range of landscape metrics and simple models whose outputs relate to water and terrestrial resource conditions. The tool allows the user to conduct these assessments at multiple scales for many different type of natural (e.g., ecoregion) and political (e.g., counties) units. Although developed to support Region 4 activities, the tools are being widely used by EPA Regions, other Federal Agencies, States and Universities (in support of academic studies). ATTILA is continually being upgraded to include new metrics and simple models. (NERL)

Vertical Atmospheric Profile of Mercury Species over South Florida – Two aircraft sampling campaigns were conducted in January and June of 2000. These campaigns: 1.) Evaluated the potential for long-range transport and deposition of inorganic reactive gaseous mercury species to South Florida; and, 2.) Identified vertical gradients in the marine-free troposphere that would suggest a natural mechanism for the rapid oxidation of elemental gaseous mercury. The data analysis and meteorological modeling is still in process. (NERL)

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- Provided technical assistance in restarting drinking water treatment plants after a hurricane disaster in North Carolina. (NRMRL)
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- Conducted an agricultural health study securing measurements from a cohort of 90,000 North Carolina farmers and families. Work is ongoing through 2008. (NERL)
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- Conducted a study of Asmatic Children in Tampa from September 2002 through December 2002. (NERL)

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<u>Test Protocol/Plan Development</u> – ORD will be developing test protocol/plans for the evaluation of commercial-ready point-of-use drinking water treatment devices. The tests will be conducted at the NSF International Laboratory in Ann Arbor, MI. This effort focuses on homeland security issues and potential terrorist contamination of water supplies. (NRMRL)

Regionalization/Index of Northern Lake and Forests Biotic Integrity Development – The Northern Lakes and Forests (NLF) R-EMAP Project was funded by Region 5 and administered by ORD to develop indicators of ecological condition for streams in the NLF ecoregion based on fish and invertebrate assemblages. Over 100 small- to medium-sized

streams were sampled in northern Michigan, Wisconsin and Minnesota through collaborative efforts with Departments of Natural Resources and universities in those states, as well as the Biological Resource Division of USGS. Streams were selected from watersheds that varied in land-use/land-cover characteristics so the sites spanned a wide gradient of human disturbance. Two of the major accomplishments of this project were to develop indices of biological integrity for streams in the NLF using both fish and invertebrates, and to quantify relationships between watershed character and biological integrity that had been largely unknown for streams in this ecoregion. (NHEERL)

Stream Biological Integrity Research (Central Ohio) – ORD has funded a grant with Miami University to determine the economic value of stream biological integrity in the Big Darby Creek watershed. Researchers have already completed a survey in which Ohio residents indicated a willingness to pay for less-impactful development scenarios. ORD is currently examining the influence of biological integrity on real estate values in the watershed. (NCEA)

Regional Methods Initiative: Diagnostic Indicators of Stream Impairment – The overall goal of this project is to provide information needed by the States to set nutrient criteria at a level appropriately protective of their water bodies' aquatic life uses. ORD will provide research support through analyses of existing biological and chemical data. Nutrient criteria recommendations and diagnostic indicator evaluation will be done in collaboration with the Region. (ORD)

ORD/Regional Briefing (Grosse Ile, MI) – Francis (Frank) X. Lyons, the Region 5 Administrator, visited ORD's facility at Grosse Ile in February 2000. Even though the facility is operated by and under the stewardship of ORD, the facility houses three Regional components which include Superfund, Criminal Investigations Division and Water Division. The purpose of Lyons' visit was to obtain an overview of the projects and activities of the Regional components. ORD briefed him on the history, organization and scientific accomplishments of the facility. Lyons was

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- Provided a briefing to Regional staff involved in implementing the new arsenic MCL. Also participated in the certification of treatment plant operators by providing expertise at recent training courses. (NRMRL)
- Conducted a study on "Children's Total Exposure to Persistent Pesticides and Other Persistent Organic Pollutants" in homes and childcare centers in Ohio. (NERL)
- Working with Region to assemble Regional ecosystem data and develop a classification system. This also includes development of community-level diagnostic indicators related to nutrient impairments in streams to support the creation of Regional nutrient criteria. (NHEERL)

- Currently participating in a joint project with the Northeast Ohio_Regional Sewer District (NEORSD) pertaining to Progress Indicators and End Points to Guide Urban Stream Restoration Efforts. The NEORSD is leveraging ORD funding with 319 funding from Ohio EPA to develop guidelines. (NRMRL)
- Reviewed and provided technical guidance on a field study measuring a bioaccumulation factor for benzo[a]pyrene submitted by a regulated party for a site-specific NPDES permit. (NHEERL)
- Coordinating efforts with Region and the Indiana Department of Environmental Monitoring (IDEM) to conduct package plant technology evaluations on various water supplies contaminated with low concentrations of MTBE. A possible demonstration site (Elementary School) has been identified in Southwestern Indiana. (NRMRL)
- Provided technical guidance on how to perform TIE to determine the cause of the White River fish kill. Reviewed analytical results and data provided by the State to the Region for the Region's staff. (NHEERL)
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Small Water System Modular Plant Concept — ORD initiated communications with a small utility in South Texas and Region 6 to discuss a proposed small water system modular (SWSM) plant concept. This innovative approach can improve performance and reliability while reducing the cost of operating small water systems. The SWSM approach will be demonstrated in the Region. (NRMRL)

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ORD Liaison with the Gulf of Mexico Program – An ORD scientist serves as the ORD Liaison to the Gulf of Mexico Program. In that capacity, he provides support activities in Regions 6 by:

- Representing the Gulf program at State and Federal task forces meetings
- Representing the Gulf program on Louisiana Coastal Assessment
- Serving on the University of Alabama's technical advisory board for national estuary program (Mobile Bay)
- Participating with U.S. Navy Oceanographic and Meteorologic operational support unit located at the Stennis Space Center on joint cooperative work for model development
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Western Environmental Monitoring and Assessment Program (EMAP) - ORD, in collaboration with Regions 9, 10 and 8, helped design the EMAP Western Pilot. It supports those Regional offices and States for monitoring design, analysis, indicator evaluation and reference conditions via EMAP-West. It provides support to Regional bioassessment workgroups and co-authored the Field Operations Manual for Streams Environmental Monitoring and Assessment Program Surface Waters: Western Pilot Study Field Operations Manual for Wadeable Streams. It also provided expert assistance in indicators for fish, fish tissue and macroinvertebrates. For the fish tissue contaminant indicator, ORD is analyzing 11 inorganic contaminants, 22 organic contaminants and 22 congeners of PCBs (three toxic coplanar compounds) in two target fish categories and assisting in the assessment of the results. (NERL/NHEERL)

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Upper Missouri River Environmental Monitoring and <u>Assessment Program – This ORD project will provide</u> unbiased, statistically sound and policy-relevant assessments of the ecological condition of the nation's Great Rivers. The project employs a probabilistic design that produces unbiased estimates of resource conditions with a known level of statistical confidence. Goals include: development and testing of sampling designs for monitoring great river resources; and provisioning of data to Region 8 and other stakeholders to help inform decision-making for 404 permitting, 305(b) reporting, NEPA and TMDL development. Beginning in 2000, pilot research identified sample populations in the river, riparian and reservoir; examined sources of sampling variation in indicators; evaluated sampling protocols; and worked on field logistics to eventually produce the first detailed report on the condition of the Upper Missouri's critical natural resources. (NHEERL)

Review of Proposed Water Quality Standard for Manganese – A State within Region 8 had proposed a water quality standard for manganese based on a large toxicity data set. At the Region's request, ORD staff reviewed the derivation on the standard and provided a technical review of the comparability of

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Indoor Air Methods Development – This task originated as a request from the Regional Administrator for Region 8 in October, 2000, for review of a monitoring method used by the Colorado Department of Public Health and the Environment (CDPHE). ORD reviewed the CDPHE method and is developing EPA guidance on methods to determine the concentration of toxic vapors in buildings near contaminated groundwater. A written guidance is being prepared in response to the request with an emphasis on more sensitive vapor detection. This same guidance will be extended for application to the target compound list for the National Air Toxics Assessment (NATA) program, a trends network of interest to many of the EPA Regions. (NERL)

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- Participated in a project to develop guidance on the application of bag and cartridge filtration technologies for small system compliance with the LT1ESWTR. (NRMRL)
- Conducted Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) Workshops to help small businesses convert environmental ideas, inventions, innovations, patents and processes into commercial, environmental technologies. (NCER)

- Responded to request to evaluate invasive species issues in a BLM Programmatic DEIS notice on vegetative treatment in the Western U.S. (NHEERL)
- Collaborated with Regional staff to develop a handbook entitled, "Small Drinking Water System Handbook – A Guide to "Packaged" Filtration and Disinfection Technologies with Remote Monitoring and Control Tools." (NRMRL)
- Provided support for ecoregion development. (NHEERL)
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Great Basin Ecosystem Management (GBEM) Project for Maintaining and Restoring Riparian Ecosystem Integrity - ORD's GBEM research team is examining the potential use of stream and riparian ecosystem restoration and management practices to slow the rate of channel incision and the loss of the meadow complexes. The development of viable restoration programs requires a sound understanding of the interactions between the geomorphic, hydrologic and biotic processes operating along the riparian corridors. The primary objective of this investigation is to build on existing data to fully define these interactions. Once this objective has been accomplished, the results are to be used to develop management options that can be applied to mitigate the current impacts of channel incision on the riparian ecosystems, particularly those within wet meadow complexes for this site near Austin, NV, as well as other similar areas. (NRMRL)

<u>Water Quality Evaluation</u> – ORD is coordinating with a small community and the Region to evaluate the water treatment disinfectant process to destroy and/or inactivate pathogenic organisms. This study will evaluate subsequent water quality problems associated with chloramination in a distribution system. (NRMRL)

STAR Grant Research – ORD's STAR grantee, Dr. Susan Anderson, at the Western Center for Estuarine Indicator Research, is holding monthly conference calls with Region 9 staff. Region 9 has provided input to this STAR project that has complemented and supplemented the research. According to the Region 9 Regional Scientist, this collaborative approach will result in projects that further the science and directly benefit Region 9. (NCER)

Source Signature Development – ORD is conducting an aircraft engine test to develop a source signature. The source signature will be used by a modeler selected by Region 9 to conduct an analysis of emissions at Los Angeles International airport. (NRMRL)

<u>Survey Design Development –</u> Working with Region 9 (Monitoring and Assessment Office) and State of Hawaii representatives, ORD developed a survey design to assess the condition of Hawaiian coastal waters. The 2001 survey design was completed in March 2001 and a follow-up design for 2002 was completed August 1. (NHEERL)

Gasoline Health and Exposure Studies – ORD is involved in an ongoing evaluation of legally required health and exposure studies on baseline gasoline and oxygenated gasolines (with MTBE, ethanol, ETBE, TAME, DIPE, and TBA). After these studies are completed, a health assessment document will be prepared. (NCEA)

<u>Verification Testing of the US Filter 3M10C</u> – ORD testing of this microfiltration package unit will be conducted at the Aqua 2000 Research Center in San Diego, CA. Additional membrane products may be evaluated at the site later in FY03. (NRMRL)

Incorporating Mysid Two-Generation Bioassay into Monitoring Activities — Discussions are underway between ORD and Region 9's Regional Science Liaison regarding protocols for the marine mysid, Americamysis bahia, two-generation bioassay. The development of this bioassay has provided important tools for examining multi-generational effects of endocrine disrupting chemicals (EDCs) on reproductive success in marine invertebrates. Region 9 has received several inquiries from California State agencies concerned about EDCs in their waters. Current discussions focus on the technical feasibility of incorporating this test methodology into existing State monitoring activities. (NHEERL)

<u>Drinking Water Field Studies</u> – ORD conducted field studies on two UV microbial inactivation technologies for drinking water in FYo2 at the Aqua 2000 Research Center in San Diego, CA. The systems tested were: 1.) Trojan Technologies, Inc., UVSwift Ultraviolet System Model 4L12; and 2.) Atlantic Ultraviolet Corporation Megatron Unit, Model M250. (NRMRL)

<u>Perchlorate Measurement Development –</u> ORD is developing a portable method to measure perchlorate in water. This method will be used by Tribal governments to detect and measure the levels of perchlorate in sources of potable water. (NERL)

<u>Selenium Toxicity Support</u> – Region 9 is entering into negotiations with the US FWS to set the water quality standard for selenium. It is working diligently to gather background materials and understand the issues, controversies and concerns. ORD has been working on updating the selenium water quality criteria for the past five years. (NHEERL)

Ecoregion Development – Fine scale ecoregion boundaries are being developed for the western states of Nevada, California, Arizona and Hawaii (Region 9). These GIS layers are important for landscape assessment and to help characterize ecosystems. The Omernick approach to ecoregion boundary development is being used for this project. (NERL)

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<u>Development Consultation – ORD</u> was approached by Region 9 for assistance in the development of sediment quality guidelines for DDT and metabolites. Endpoints of concern were primarily effects on avian species. Staff applied their knowledge of bioaccumulation and effects to aid the Region in developing a scientifically defensible assessment approach. (NHEERL)

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Testing Endocrine-Disrupting Chemicals (EDCs) in Effluents – ORD has participated in a series of Regional consultations concerning methods for monitoring the occurrence of EDCs in municipal effluents. This ongoing effort has focused primarily

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- Discussed microbial source tracking with staff and provided three training sessions (lecture/discussion) on the use of molecular biology techniques. (NRMRL)
- Reviewed site-specific Copper Water Quality Criteria for San Francisco Bay. (NHEERL)

- Provided technical assistance to Region 9 on small-system technology selection and evaluation for Saipan. In addition, a presentation was given at the Region-sponsored 21st Annual Pacific Islands Environmental Conference. (NRMRL)
- Commented on EIS for the control program for the invasive NIS Spartina in San Francisco Bay. Provided sources of information on ballast water treatment along with contacts on exotic amphibians and frog vocalizations. (NHEERL)
- ORD will be conducting a field evaluation of a low-pressure membrane separation system for particulate and microbial removal from drinking water. (NRMRL)
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- Participated in meeting to identify Region 9 issues/needs. (ORD)
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Puget Sound Ambient Monitoring Program Redesign – This ORD program is conducted by the Washington Department of Ecology but has close ties with Region 10. There was also some initial involvement with the Puget Sound Naval Shipyard, the Project XL (with the Navy) and Region 10. (NHEERL)

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Effluent Discharge Guidelines Development for Mining Facility – At a large mining complex in Region 10, process water is discharged to a watershed supporting native salmon populations. The effluent is high in total dissolved solids (TDS), and no standards were available to determine appropriate discharge levels for these constituents. ORD provided consultation to the Region and State on the effects of TDS on aquatic organisms, reviewed site-specific toxicity data and conducted limited supplemental toxicity testing to aid the development of NPDES permit limits. (NHEERL)

<u>Consultation on State Water Quality Standards</u>
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- Providing technical assistance to Regions 9 and 10 (and CA, OR and WA) with the planning, implementation and reporting of the Western Coastal EMAP. (NHEERL)
- Providing an ORD representative to the Western Regional Panel of the Aquatic Nuisance Species Task Force, in place of the R10 representative. (NHEERL)
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Currently in development is the Guidance for Development of Science Plans of Cross-Cutting Agency Activities and Contaminated Sediments Science Plan.

Research Coordination Teams (RCTs)

The Research Coordination Teams (RCTs) are workgroups aligned with the Agency's GPRA Goals

whose membership consists of representatives from appropriate EPA Program and Regional Offices and each ORD Laboratory and Center. The RCTs serve as the primary source of consultation and communication on research issues to interested parties within and outside EPA. They assess research needs, plan research programs, recommend programmatic priorities, monitor progress toward meeting commitments to produce research products, facilitate integration of intramural and extramural research activities, and communicate research results.

Regional Science & Technology Organizations

USEPA's Regional Science & Technology (RS&T) Organizations are key to the Agency meeting its mission through performing analytical and other work that:

- practices sound science,
- implements the principles of environmental protection, and
- promotes partnerships with states, Indian Nations, and local governments.

These organizations support the Agency's air, water, waste, and toxic substances programs utilizing applied science technologies. Each organization, at a minimum, is comprised of a Regional Laboratory System, a Field Operations Group, and a Quality Assurance Program. In addition, regions have developed special capabilities and expertise based on unique demographic and geographic issues. Expertise in these areas has led to the establishment of the Centers of Applied Science.

Centers of Applied Science have been designated in the areas of ambient air monitoring, environmental biology, chemistry, microbiology and analytical pollution prevention methodologies. These Centers provide hands-on training, technical assistance and coordination of applied research activities.

Organizations

- **1. Regional Laboratories.** The Regional laboratories generate chemical and biological data enabling the Agency to respond appropriately to environmental issues. The data allow for:
 - timely and responsive results; and
 - scientifically sound and legally defensible decisions.
- **2. RS&T Quality Assurance.** The Quality Assurance (QA) Programs ensure the integrity of environmental data by:
 - overseeing management of monitoring program and policy;
 - approving Regional data collection activity plans; and
 - evaluating monitoring and laboratory practices.
- **3. RS&T Field Operations Group.** The field operations programs provide on-site capabilities that support:
 - collection of environmental data for decision-making purposes;
 - determination of compliance with EPA statutes and regulations; and
 - assessment of impacts and benefits linked to environmental control strategies.

Regional Science Councils (RSCs)

The Regional Science Councils (or their equivalent functioning Regional organizations) are intra-Regional technical workgroups of scientists who meet on a regular schedule to discuss issues, work on specific projects of Region-wide interest, and make recommendations to management concerning matters dealing with science.

The primary goal of the Regional Science Councils is to strengthen science and enhance its use in the Region. Progress toward achieving this goal is determined by measuring steps taken to meet criteria for success, such as:

- improved quality of regional and national scientific work;
- increased use of sound science in regional decision making;
- more effective planning of scientific work; and
- better communication of ongoing and completed scientific work.

National Regional Science Council (NRSC)

The National Regional Science Council (NRSC) is a group of Regional scientists who meet on a regular schedule to discuss issues, work on specific projects of interest across the Regions, and make recommendations to management concerning matters dealing with science as developed and applied within the Regions.

Vision: The overall vision for science in the Regions is for the Regions to be a place where: (1) a culture of scientific excellence exists; (2) science collaboration and communication activities are highly effective; (3) the right skills and technical expertise are available to respond to environmental challenges; (4) scientists and decision-makers work to make science a key component to Regional priority setting; and (5) scientific and technical capacities are effectively used in achieving Regional priorities. The National Regional Science Council will be instrumental in realizing this vision.

Goals, Criteria for Success, and Approach: The primary goal of the National Regional Science Council is to strengthen science and enhance its use in the Regions. Progress toward achieving this goal will be measured by the following four criteria for success, which are also related to achieving the vision stated above. The general approach the NRSC will take for each criterion is also indicated.

The criteria below should be looked upon as a longterm agenda, and the approaches looked upon as examples of ways the NRSC might choose to proceed.

1. Improved quality of regional and national scientific work. The NRSC will approach this by providing a forum at NRSC meetings where scientists can discuss scientific issues and exchange ideas by: supporting peer and relevancy review of scientific products; serving as a sounding board to management and staff for science-based decisions; supporting scientific white papers as needed, and by using them to provide input to science policy development; and identifying and addressing barriers to improving quality.

- 2. Increased use of sound science in regional decision making. The NRSC will approach this by: regularly identifying scientific expertise in the Regional offices and at EPA national laboratories; building Regional scientific knowledge and expertise; placing emphasis on advocating funding for short-term regional research needs through the Regional Applied Research Endeavor (RARE), the Regional Methods Initiative (RMI), and other means; and identifying and addressing barriers to quality, communication, planning and capacity increase.
- **3. More effective planning of scientific work.** The NRSC will approach this by providing input into the national research agenda of the Office of Research and Development and others by: identifying, assessing and prioritizing actionable Regional research issues not on the national research agenda; remaining

- aware of the work of individual Regional Science Councils (RSCs); developing and implementing an annual Regional Science Plan; and identifying and addressing barriers to effective planning.
- **4. Better-communication-of-ongoing-and-completed scientific work.** The NRSC will approach this by ensuring Regional participation at national forums by: serving as a focal point for receiving and disseminating information on ongoing and completed regional, program office and ORD research; providing or sponsoring forums for scientific presentations; updating senior management regularly; providing a unifying voice for the Regions' message/perspective; and identifying and addressing barriers to promoting communication.

Paul Gilman Plenary Message to WTQA Symposium August 12, 2002

As the Agency's new Science Advisor and the Assistant Administrator for Research and Development, it is a pleasure to address a group that is in the forefront of environmental monitoring science. The work that you and your colleagues perform is critical to solving our nation's environmental problems. Without quality data, those of us in federal and state government service who are charged with determining our nation's environmental policies will have an extremely difficult time selecting the correct courses of action. In my message to you, I want to share some of my thoughts and objectives in two areas. These are: (1) accreditation of environmental laboratories and (2) Agency efforts to strengthen science in the environmental arena.

Laboratory Accreditation

EPA is very supportive of the efforts being made to establish a national environmental laboratory accreditation system. I believe that its implementation will have a number of very positive benefits. These benefits include:

Improving the level of staff expertise in the environmental laboratories as a result of having established minimum education, training, and experience standards for laboratory management and staff;

Ensuring that laboratories have suitable quality systems and that the systems are operating;

Reducing the costs of accreditation to the laboratory industry and to the state accreditation programs;

Bringing a degree of consistency and quality to state accreditation programs;

Helping to eliminate the problem of incompetent laboratories; and

Assisting purchasers of laboratory services in finding competent laboratories to do their work.

For these benefits to accrue, however, it is critical that we have a truly national program where accreditations by any member accrediting authority are recognized by all states, the federal government and the tribes.

In this regard, EPA has, and will continue to actively support the National Environmental Laboratory Accreditation Conference (NELAC) effort to establish a national system through both staff participation, and by providing a degree of financial support. In addition, as the Agency's Science Advisor, I will do all I can to generate support across EPA for the program and at senior levels in the states.

However, while the Agency is supportive of the NELAC efforts, EPA would like to see a number of changes made in the program. EPA does not believe that laboratory accreditation is an inherently governmental function. In fact, I believe that the national accreditation system should not be government run. Standards should be developed by groups representing and including all sectors of the environmental community. Here I include the federal government, the states, the commercial and in-house laboratories, the engineering firms who are major users of data generated by the laboratories, as well as all the other parties who are the purchasers or users of laboratory services and data. In this regard, EPA was very pleased to see that the NELAC community adopted a new structure at their recent annual meeting. Under the new structure, accreditation standards will, henceforth, be developed by national consensus standards developing bodies where experts from all sectors of the monitoring community can work together, as equals, to develop the accreditation standards.

I also strongly believe that we still need to look at what mechanism should be used to approve the laboratory accreditation standards; what organization(s) should perform the laboratory auditing function and ensure the competency of the auditors; who should accredit the laboratories; and how to ensure that U.S. accreditation standards comport with international standards in order that U.S. environmental testing

laboratory accreditations are recognized by other nations. I hope that the NELAC community will continue to look at these issues between now and its next annual meeting.

One area where I feel the NELAC program needs to be strengthened is with regard to the personnel performing the laboratory audits. Laboratory auditing needs to be performed by persons who are experienced in laboratory operations. It is critically important that the auditors really understand how laboratory operations are performed and how laboratories operate if they are to effectively identify operations that do not meet the accreditation standards. In addition, auditors can and often do help laboratories improve their operations by identifying areas where improvement is needed and by recommending appropriate courses of action. Such services can only be performed by competent, knowledgeable auditors.

One aspect of a national environmental laboratory accreditation program that I want to take a moment and focus on concerns funding. How to make such a program financially secure. EPA believes that the accreditation program should be self-sufficient and its funding sources broad-based. Examples of funding sources that should be looked at include: membership dues from accrediting authorities; contributions from organizations such as EPA and other large users of laboratory services; and fees charged to laboratories for accreditation.

Finally, I want to reiterate the need for NELAC to adopt a system that focuses on the laboratory needs to meet project-specific, customer-established data quality objectives (the ISO 17025 or Performance Approach) rather than to continue with the required-method approach. As part of this change, the accreditation community needs to take a new look at its approach to "fields of accreditation" since the current methods-based approach acts as a roadblock to implementing the performance approach. Now that EPA is finally beginning to implement the performance-based measurement system and build flexibility into its measurement requirements, this is a critically important change that needs to be made.

Agency Efforts to Strengthen Science

This past April, EPA Administrator Christie Whitman announced that, in order to strengthen the role of science at the Agency, she was creating the position of Science Advisor and was appointing me to that position. As her Science Advisor, Tamresponsible for working with all parts of the Agency to ensure that high-quality science is fully integrated into the Agency's programs, policies and decisions.

This afternoon, I would like to take a few moments and discuss some areas within the environmental monitoring arena that I plan to focus on in order to ensure that the Agency's decisions are supported by the best available science.

I will increase Agency efforts to implement the performance approach by working with senior management of our Program Offices and Regions to modify the regulations and permitting procedures to not only allow, but to encourage, use of new measurement technologies. While progress has been made in regard to implementing the performance approach, as you will hear about in a few minutes from my colleague Elizabeth Cotsworth, more needs to be done, and I will work to speed up the pace of implementation.

One reason that mistakes are sometimes made when conducting monitoring or data gathering programs is that the people conducting the studies do not always spend enough time to properly plan the work. We need to ensure that all measurements are made under a "plan" that describes the question(s) to be answered and either the required accuracy of the data, or the minimum degree of certainty with regard to the answer to the questions. We need to require that the actual quality of all our data be documented. While current Agency policy requires that before any testing is performed a Quality Assurance Project Plan has to be prepared and approved by the Quality Assurance Officer (QAO), this process needs to be strengthened and the states and the private sector need to be encouraged to adopt a similar approach. If quality assurance project plans were properly prepared and followed, three benefits would ensue.

The appropriateness of all the methodology that is used to collect the data would be assured.

The defensibility of the data that the Agency uses in its decision-making would be strengthened, since the actual quality of the data would be documented.

Management will be more confident of its decisions since we will know the statistical quality of the data and results.

In a number of instances, the Agency has been criticized that the methods that we issue do not always perform as advertised. I believe that for the most part, the criticism is not warranted. However, in order to ensure that all EPA methods can actually achieve the performance that is advertised, I will work to require outside peer review of all new measurement methods issued by the Agency. Such reviews would not be under control of issuing/developing organization whether it be my own Office of Research and Development, a Program Office, or any other EPA organization. As you know, EPA policy is to not issue monitoring requirements unless methodology exists that the regulated community can use to meet the monitoring requirements. By employing outside peer review, I hope that we can eliminate any future situations where EPA-issued or EPA-cited methods do not provide the degree of accuracy or sensitivity that you need to meet Agency monitoring requirements.

The Agency has been working to strengthen its internal procedures to improve its data gathering and information product generation procedures. The effort is termed the Data Quality Strategic Plan, and it is my understanding that you were briefed on this effort at this symposium last year. A number of components of the strategy only affect how EPA conducts its internal activities. However, one aspect of the strategy that may impact you, and that I would like to see the Agency implement as quickly as possible, will be to require the quality of all data generated by, or generated for, the Agency be actually determined and documented. While this would be a significant change in how we do business, this move mirrors the efforts being made by NELAC, ASTM and ISO.

As some of you may be aware of, and have already been following, in 1999 Congress mandated that each federal agency develop and issue guidelines to improve the quality of the information that the Agency generates, uses and disseminates. Under guidance issued by the Office of Management and Budget, EPA is now developing its implementation guidelines which are to be issued by October 1, 2002. Our guidelines build upon numerous established agency policies and procedures for ensuring the quality of information. While you will hear more details about this effort later in the Conference, I want to highlight two areas that we are working on.

First, while the Agency will continue to do its utmost to ensure that the information that we use and disseminate is of high quality, sometimes bad information slips through. As a result of our continuing commitment to take timely action to correct such errors, the Agency will modify its information correction process to make it easier for you to get errors in Agency information corrected.

Second, since the bulk of the Agency data comes from outside sources, EPA is developing a series of assessment factors that the Agency will publish and use to evaluate the credibility and appropriateness of data and information obtained from outside sources. The goal is to minimize the possibility of EPA receiving and using data and information that is not suitable for the use to which it is being put.

As you know, it is often very difficult for someone outside the Agency, and sometimes even for someone inside the Agency, to find appropriate measurement methods that have been developed or issued by the Agency. ORD, each of our Program Offices, the Regions, all develop and publish measurement methods. Some of the methods are available on the Agency's Web site but many are not. In addition, navigating the various Agency Web sites and finding a particular method is very difficult. The Web sites also do not make it easy to determine which of the many seemingly identical methods is appropriate for a particular application. I know that our Region 1 library has, for several years, been issuing an index to EPA's various testing methods. I do not know if this index is complete, but it has helped serve as a roadmap. Also, I understand that the National Water Quality Advisory Board is in the

process of developing a comprehensive index to environmental monitoring methods issued by EPA, other federal agencies and national and international standards-setting bodies. Their effort is called the National Environmental Methods Index, and it looks like it will be a very valuable tool. However, this still leaves the problem of obtaining the cited methods once you have identified which ones are appropriate for your application. As Science Advisor, I will discuss with other Agency senior managers the possibility of establishing a centralized Web-based registry of analytical and other measurement methods that cuts across programs/ORD/regions. Having a central location on the EPA Web site for all Agency methods would be a tremendous service to the public fand to EPA's own staff] and also, hopefully, cut down on unnecessary duplication of effort with regard to methods publication. Such a registry would make it much easier for you to obtain methods that are cited in regulations, guidance and the previously mentioned indicies.

Earlier I spoke of my commitment to helping to establish a national accreditation program for environmental laboratories. As the Science Advisor, one of my goals is to promote the acceptance by senior Agency and State management of the program

and the use of accreditation as a means of improving the quality of our nation's environmental testing laboratories. As I mentioned earlier, laboratory accreditation provides a means of ensuring that laboratories are competent to perform the type of tests that they have been accredited to perform. By actively promoting the concept of only using quality laboratories, I hope that the Agency can do its part to eliminate, or at least reduce, the credibility problems facing the environmental laboratory community. I would like to take this opportunity to solicit your ideas and suggestions as to what specific changes can and should be made in the procurement process to ensure that the Agency only contracts with competent laboratories.

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to share some of my ideas and priorities with you. You are a key to quality science. The quality of the data and information that you supply largely determines how well we do our job and how well we can determine whether our efforts are succeeding.

In conclusion, on behalf of the Agency, I want to thank the Independent Laboratories Institute for organizing and hosting this Symposium and especially want to thank Joan Cassedy and Larry Keith.

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Size Characteristics of Re-aerosolized Anthrax Spores

Chris Weis (NEIC), Tony Intrepido (CHPPM), Pat Cowin (CHPPM), Joan Gephardt (NMRC), Robert Bull (US Navy NMRC), Aubrey Miller (USPHS), and Mark Durno (EPA-R5)

Collaborative studies with the Naval Medical Research Center (NMRC), the Army's Center for Health Promotion and Preventative Medicine (CHPPM-Aberdeen Proving Ground), and the U.S. Public Health Service are in progress. Spores collected from a US Senate office and analyzed for size characteristics and propensity for anthrax spores to become re-aerosolized after an initial attack have been submitted for publication. Coupled with this work is an interest in follow-up investigations to measure the electrostatic charge on spores as a possible tool for forensic fingerprinting.

Epidemiological Analyses of Health and Environmental Data from Libby, Montana

Jeffrey Lybarger (ATSDR), Aubrey Miller (USPHS), Chris Weis (NEIC), Brad Venner (NEIC), and Steve Dearwent (ATSDR)

In participation with the U.S. Public Health Service and the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) an epidemiological analysis of health and environmental data collected from Libby, Montana is underway. During 2000 and 2001, approximately 7000 individuals thought exposed to high concentrations of amphibole asbestos were screened at the radiology clinic built by EPA and ATSDR. Approximately 2000 of these individuals demonstrate signs of exposure as determined by 2 of 3 board certified asbestos pulmonologists. The data set is important for estimation of asbestos-related exposure and health effects.

Asbestos Analysis by Reflected Infrared Spectroscopy

Roger Clark (USGS), Greg Meeker (USGS), Sam Vance (EPA R8), Todd Hoefen (USGS), Chris Weis (NEIC), and Mary Goldade, (EPA R8)

Work has started with the USGS in the use of visible reflected infrared light as a tool to measure mass percent concentrations of specific asbestos minerals in solid matrices. This research grew out of USGS work on airborne mounted spectrometers used in mineral prospecting. The technique has evolved to a bench top-method, which may have portable or field applications in some environments. This technique will be tested in a multi-instrumental method of analysis performance evaluation study.

Quantitative Asbestos Determinations by X-ray Diffraction

Douglas Kendall (NEIC), Richard Martinez (NEIC) and Peggy Forney (NEIC)

Recent developments in X-ray instrumentation and sample preparation techniques have made viable a more practical and accurate method for asbestos determination in bulk samples. Developments in the regulatory area and with accreditation have made more accurate methods for asbestos desirable. Existing methods, which may be of unknown uncertainty, will be tested and evaluated. Sample preparation is likely to be very important. If warranted, new methods will be developed and tested. The selected methods will be validated.

Surface Charge Based Length Discriminate Separation of Asbestos Fibers

Vince Castranova, (NIOSH), Steve Wilson (USGS), Greg Meeker (USGS) and Chris Weis (NEIC)

Physiologists at NIOSH in Morgantown, WV have developed a method of separating asbestos fibers as a function of fiber length. The method is dependent upon surface charge characteristics of individual asbestos fibers and, presently is only useful for separation of microgram quantities of fiber. The objective of this work is to scale up the process such that gram quantities of fiber could be obtained for use in cellular or animal toxicity testing.

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Ambient Fiber Concentrations Archived by Sediments

Mary Goldade (EPA-R8), Chris Weis (NEIC) and James Weber (NY Dept Health)

In collaboration with scientists at the New York State Department of Health (Albany) sediment core samples will hopefully be a useful a tool for estimating historical airborne fiber concentrations. Once the core is pulled, layers are dated by measuring traces of radioactive cesium known to be associated in time with past atomic tests. The collocated fiber concentration, coupled with measurements or estimates of deposition rate can (in theory) be used to back-calculate historical ambient fiber concentrations.

Animal Toxicity Studies of Amphibole and Serpentine Asbestos

Chris Weis (NEIC) and Jim Christiansen (EPA-R8)

In collaboration with other Agency scientists a study design is under development to determine the relative toxicity of amphibole vs. serpentine asbestos. Presently, EPA's policy treats all asbestos equally in terms of numerical estimates of toxicity. Recent models suggest possible methods to differentiate the toxicity of asbestos fibers based upon their size and chemical characteristics but these have not been.

Amphibole Asbestos Reference Materials

Chris Weis (NEIC), Mary Goldade (EPA-R8), Sam Vance (EPA R-8), Greg Meeker (USGS), Steve Wilson (USGS) and Steve Sutley (USGS)

In collaboration with USGS and NIST work has been initiated on the development of a set of known amphibole asbestos standards that will be used to quantitatively (qualitatively in some cases) compare existing methods of analysis for bulk asbestos containing materials (performance evaluation study).

Equilibrium Soil/Water Partitioning of Azide and Cyanide

Eric Betterton (Univ. of AZ), John Reschl (NEIC) and Joe Lowry (NEIC)

Azide and cyanide are of environmental concern due to anthropogenic inputs from industrial wastes. An understanding of their behavior in the environment necessitates an assessment of the processes influencing their fate and transport in soils and groundwater. In the pH range relevant to most environmental scenarios, a portion of each can be partially or totally protonated, unionized. This may modify sorption and transport. The equilibrium sorption constant for the partitioning of azide and cyanide between water and soil will be determined using a number of soils (differing pH and organic content) and two different techniques. Breakthrough curves for bromide (control), azide and cyanide will be obtained by collecting column effluent fractions followed by ion chromatography analysis. Partitioning will also be measured by batch mixing followed by filtration and ion chromatography. Azide breakthrough curves for an Arizonian soil and a Floridian peat have been obtained. No partitioning in comparison to bromide was observed with the Arizonian soil while partitioning or reaction was observed for the high organic peat (about 45% carbon).

Solar Photolysis of Gaseous Hydrazoic Acid

Eric Betterton (Univ. of AZ), James Hoban (NEIC) and Robert Bohn (NEIC)

An understanding of the behavior of azide in the environment necessitates an assessment of the processes influencing its fate and transport in the atmosphere. The photodecomposition of hydrazoic acid may be an important sink. The purpose of this work is to determine the rate of solar photolysis of hydrazoic acid in the atmosphere. As means to follow this reaction the literature suggests two techniques gas chromatography and long-path FTIR. Evaluation of these techniques for said purpose will be the first steps in this work.

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Kinetics of the Redox Reaction of Azide and Hypochlorite

Eric Betterton (Univ. of AZ) and Robin Ingamells (NEIC)

Azide if ingested in sufficient quantity can be poisonous. Recent concern over adulteration of water supplies together with the ready availability of azide because of its widespread use in automobile air bag, begs the question would normal disinfectants detoxify azide. Thermodynamics indicates that the redox couple between azide and hypochlorite is favorable. However, it is expected that kinetics will predominate in the reaction of azide with hypochlorite and hence determine whether detoxification would be achieved in a timely fashion. Initially, use of UV-visible spectroscopy to monitor the reaction kinetics will be evaluated.

Cyanide in Process and Waste Water Samples by Ion Chromatography with Electrochemical Detection

John Reschl (NEIC) and Joe Lowry (NEIC)

Cyanide analytical methodology has been a research interest at NEIC since the early 1980s. Recent study has involved various ion chromatography systems. Experimentation studying pulsed amperometry with a silver electrode for measuring cyanide and sulfide has been conducted. The goal of this work is to develop methodology for use in confirming results from the manual distillation followed by colorimetry methodology. This methodology is prescribed by the Agency for NPDES wastewater and drinking water monitoring, and also appears in an Agency solid waste methods manual. Study has found that less signal drift and significantly improved symmetrical peak shape was achieved with the pulse waveform as opposed to the direct current amperometry. This is because unlike direct current measurement the pulse waveform cleans film from the surface of electrode essentially continuously by use of anodic and cathodic polarizations. Comparison to colorimetry for distillates of an electroplater's wastewater and process tank samples has been conducted. Additionally, ligand exchange experimentation discerning hexacyanoferrate was accomplished.

Reactivity Worksheet for use in lieu of Rescinded OSW SW846 Methods

Ken Rota (EPA-R1) and Joe Lowry (NEIC)

A spreadsheet was developed relating air and water concentrations at the TLV, IDLH and LEL of toxic or flammable gases or vapors based on Henry's Law. Temperature and protonation chemistries affects were modeled. NIST Henry's Law constants, temperature coefficients and protonation constants were relied upon for most chemicals. The spreadsheet can be a useful tool to aid in determining potential reactivity. Another use is to help identify wastewater discharges that may potentially result in the generation of toxic or explosive fumes in the sewer system. A memorandum explaining the use of this spreadsheet for both RCRA and the Water Program has been sent from Region 1 to the New England states as well as to some Agency RCRA enforcement staff. Additionally, some other state and regional staff have received the table.

Design Flaws of the Rescinded SW846 Chapter Seven Methods

Joe Lowry (NEIC)

Volatilization from water to the atmosphere can be a significant exposure pathway for some pollutants. Knowledge of the Henry's law constant is essential in calculating mass transfer from the water to the atmosphere. A mathematical description of volatilization for dynamic stripping systems [such as that used by SW846 Chapter seven] is readily derived and has been published. The predicted recovery of hydrogen cyanide of 2.4% at 25°C and 1.8% at 22°C closely approximate measured recoveries. The fact that the SW846 method is designed to operate at the rapid incline region of the mass transfer recovery curve rather than the plateau region means that small changes in experimental parameters such as temperature, flow, time, and aqueous solution volume can cause large changes in the amount measured. To understand the fate of a volatile weak acid, the degree of dissociation in the aqueous phase must be known. As the pH increases the effective Henry's law constant increases. While the intrinsic Henry's Law constant depends only on temperature, the effective Henry's Law constant depends both on temperature and pH. At higher pH less hydrogen cyanide would be measured. This reveals another design flaw of the

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rescinded methods because pH is not controlled. This document has been used in response to inquiries concerning the rescinded methods and forwarded to companies found still relying on these methods.

EPA Cyanide Methodology: Sulfide Interference Removal Studies

John Reschl (NEIC), Willis Collins (NEIC) and Joe Lowry (NEIC)

The EPA's cyanide methods as well as the regulations prescribe precipitation of sulfide with the intention of preventing the formation of thiocyanate or to eliminate or diminish possible interference on the cyanide measurement chemistry. To the contrary, study has shown that the formation of lead sulfide precipitate under alkaline conditions can lead to ready conversion of cyanide to thiocyanate. Depending on the measurement chemistry this can cause an underestimation of the cyanide in the water or wastewater. Further, these sulfide precipitation measures are not mindful of affects on cyanide species and hence the measured cyanide. In considering dissolved cyanide species, total cyanide is intended to measure hexacyanoferrates while cyanide amendable to chlorination and available cyanide are not. However, hexacyanoferrates are known to precipitate with bismuth, cadmium, and lead. Therefore, if hexacyanoferrates are present and the sulfide precipitation procedures are implemented than total cyanide will be underestimated. Further total cyanide was intended to include both dissolved and particulate cyanide. Since the sulfide precipitation procedures cause the sample to be filtered than particulate cyanide would be removed from the solution analyzed. This work will confirm the hexacyanoferrate precipitation chemistry and measure the kinetics of the thiocyanate conversion under conditions typically encountered.

NIOSH Hydrogen Sulfide in Air Method 6013 Evaluation

Jon Beihoffer (NEIC), Brad Venner (NEIC), and Joe Lowry (NEIC)

NIOSH has approved Method 6013 for the determination of hydrogen sulfide in air. In a study of ammonia and hydrogen sulfide air levels near concentrated animal feeding operations Method 6013 was intended as the hydrogen sulfide reference method for comparison of two other field monitoring devices. The NIOSH method involves filtration through 0.5 um Zefluor to remove particulate sulfide; sorption on a solid sorbent tube containing coconut shell charcoal; desorption with ammonia hydroxide and hydrogen peroxide; dilution; and analysis by ion chromatography with conductance detection. Very poor recoveries (< 30%) of known additions of hydrogen sulfide were measured using the methods desorption procedure with ion chromatography or inductively coupled argon plasma emission spectroscopy. Increasing the desorption time improved recovery and further improvement was measured upon increasing the temperature. Although the objective to discern which continuous field-monitor was more accurate could be achieved because the field measurements differed by a factor ten (because one device was measuring ammonia as hydrogen sulfide), the evaluated NIOSH method and modifications are less than satisfactory. Grinding the charcoal may prove useful in any future study.

NMR Spectroscopic Environmental Analysis Applications

Jimmy Seidel (NEIC) and Jon Beihoffer (NEIC)

NMR spectroscopy has been used for detection, structure elucidation, and conformation analysis of inorganic and organic chemicals. NMR analyses confirmed ion chromatographic analyses for various oxy acid phosphorus anions as well as the detection of a fluoro-phosphorus oxy acid anion in electric arc furnace dust from elemental phosphorus production. NMR analyses identified organic and metallic-organic chemicals whose uniqueness collaborate association

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of PRPs with wastes buried in landfills. Some of the chemicals were sodium nitrophenoxide, triclocarban, chloronitrobenzene, and zinc dialkyl dithiophosphate. Some other applications have been to detect the presence of perfluorinated acids in drinking water near a Teflon plant and glycols in wastewater discharge from an anti-freeze recycler.

Liquid Chromatography/Mass Spectrometry in the Determination of Non-Traditional Contaminants

Larry Strattan (NEIC) and Christine Casey (NEIC)

Liquid Chromatography/Mass Spectrometry (LC/MS) technology combines a compound-specific detection technique with the power of liquid chromatography to separate thermally unstable or highly polar compounds not amenable to gas chromatographic analysis. Two recent applications of LC/MS have been the identification of dimethyldithiocarbamate, a slimicide and metals-removal polishing treatment chemical, responsible for a large fish kill; and the analysis of drinking water supply samples for perfluorinated acids near a Teflon plant. The perfluoro compounds bioaccumulate and are probable carcinogens, and are just being recognized as chemicals of concern in the environment.

Analysis of Congener-Specific PCBs by Tandem Mass Spectrometry

Christine Casey (NEIC) and Larry Strattan (NEIC)

Although the Agency regulates PCBs as total PCBs, the toxicity of individual congeners differs greatly. The PCB congeners having a planar shape with at least two chlorines near each end of the molecule are the most toxic. The quantitation of a particular Arochlor® (commercial PCB mixture) is pertinent to regulation, but it has little to do with a toxicity assessment. The use of a gas chromatograph/tandem mass spectrometer allows the congener-specific analysis of PCBs with minimal cleanup of extracts. This type of analysis provides a better potential of identifying the source of the PCB for enforcement purposes, as well as improving any toxicity assessment.

Ambient Air Monitoring of Ammonia and Hydrogen Sulfide Near Concentrated Animal Feeding Operations

Cary Secrest (EPA ORE), Jon Beihoffer (NEIC) and Brad Venner (NEIC)

One of the main issues in EPA's ongoing investigation into the possible health effects of concentrated animal feeding operations is the effect of low levels of toxic gases such as hydrogen sulfide or ammonia. Monitoring of outdoor air concentrations using long path UV and IR have revealed elevated levels of ammonia, but the significance of these from the viewpoint of possible health effects are unclear. Therefore, indoor air concentrations of ammonia were measured concurrently with outdoor air monitoring near a CAFO hog facility in Missouri. The indoor measurements were conducted with a photoacoustic detector and sorbent tubes; the latter were then analyzed in the lab using ion chromatography. The study revealed transient elevations of ammonia but these episodes were too brief to substantially impact indoor air concentrations. Sorbent tubes were also used to measure hydrogen sulfide emissions from Ohio an egg laying facility.

Two Compartment Mass Transfer Model

Brad Venner (NEIC)

The withdrawn reactivity method relies upon a simple scenario of dumping acid into an open pit of cyanide or sulfide wastes to derive the threshold limits in the method. The analysis used in these methods was flawed. Development of a mathematical model based on the widely accepted two-film model of mass transfer to model the air-water partitioning in the reactivity method is underway. This model will help extrapolate the results of the method to the method scenario as well as other scenarios of interest. Confirmatory experimental work is currently being conducted.

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Tin in Soil by Hydride Generation / Plasma Mass Spectrometry

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A paper was published in 2002 in Analytica Chimica Acta on method developments associated with the study of contamination in a residential area near a lead-acid battery manufacturer facility. Method development and validation was conducted for the determination of tin in soil by potassium hydroxide fusion followed by hydride generation coupled to plasma mass spectrometry. A method detection limit of 0.5 mg/Kg was achieved. Sample results from this method compared well with results from instrumental neutron activation and analysis of the fusions by plasma emission spectroscopy.

Iron Treatment of Lead-Contaminated Brass Foundry Waste

Douglas Kendall (NEIC)

This work contributed to Agency regulations banning iron addition as a treatment of hazardous waste. The work has been expanded and has been submitted as a paper for publication. Three processes were studied: reduction by iron metal, adsorption of lead, copper and zinc onto iron oxides, and precipitation of hydroxides. Comparison of the chemistry of the TCLP test to the reactions occurring in a landfill was conducted.

Sampling variability and the impact on the TCLP method

Brad Venner (NEIC) and Joe Lowry (NEIC)

The recent revision of the RCRA sampling guidance by OSW proposes the use of the Gy's sampling theory to assess sampling uncertainty for the TCLP. This theory was developed to analyze compositional data, and must be extended to account for non-linear properties such as leachability. A simple model for leachability has been developed that demonstrates that the non-linear effects of TCLP can result in significant magnification of the sampling variability. Furthermore, this non-linearity can result in

non-additivity of the results. This means that an average value of a collection of TCLP results may not give an unbiased estimate of leachability even if the compositional results are unbiased. This work was presented at the recent Waste Testing and Quality Assurance conference in Washington DC and a manuscript is in preparation.

Sampling Particulates – Application of Gy Theory – Subsampling Part 1

Charles Ramsey (Envirostat), Bob Gerlach (Lockheed-LV) and Brad Venner (NEIC)

In collaboration with the Office of Research and Development experiments were performed to gather information to corroborate the sampling theory of Pierre Gy. In particular, these experiments were designed to simulate common laboratory subsampling methods. The experiments used simple combinations of sand, sugar and salt in various proportions and used varying subsampling techniques such as simple grabs and composites as well as rotary and manual splitting. The simulated samples were analyzed using a conductivity meter to assess the amount of sand in each simulated sample. The results of this work have been included in a draft guidance on sampling of soils that is currently in review and is expected to be completed at the end of the fiscal year.

Laboratory Fraud

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The commission of laboratory fraud poses threats to the EPA's regulatory program, i.e., the basis for establishing regulations and their enforcement. A report was prepared indicating the seriousness of the problem, detection, investigation, prosecution, and post prosecution issues. Elements of the report have been presented at a Science for Prosecutor's Course, at NELAC and various other forums

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Reactivity/Ignitability Friction Testing

Richard Ross (NEIC)

Portions of 4oCFR part 261 provide a narrative description of certain hazardous properties. One of these properties is directed to substances, which cause fire through friction. Various existing testing procedures were researched and a BAM friction tester was acquired. An advantage of this tester is that a range of pressures can be applied while exerting frictional movement on a test specimen. An evaluation of the tester on various substances is underway.

Automated Ignitability Testing

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The 4oCFR261 regulations specify the use of certain ASTM Pensky Martens or Setaflash methods for the determination of flashpoint pursuant to the ignitability characterization of liquid wastes. Temperature ramping control for the Setaflash apparatus is tedious. An automated Setaflash tester, which precisely controls the temperature ramping, has been acquired and experimentation has been conducted. Combining manual operator intervention with the automatic temperature control provides successful analyses.

Field Gas Chromatography - Mass Spectrometry Analysis of Ambient Air and Wastewater Samples

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A portable gas chromatography - mass spectrometer has been use to make real-time measurements of volatile organics in ambient air at a PVC plant and in wastewater at a vinyl chloride monomer plant while on-site. This has enhanced compliance evaluation capabilities. A sample run time is typically about 10 minutes, even for a very aggressive list of compounds. The instrument is capable of measurement in the ppbV range in air and, in conjunction with the equilibrium headspace unit, in water and soil samples.

GIS Application in Environmental Field Investigations

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The application of Geographic Information Systems has greatly enhanced the ability to use various imagery products in different phases of environmental field investigations. Each phase in an investigation has specific imagery requirements, which vary depending upon the case objectives. In the targeting and prioritization phase, imagery is utilized to provide information about an area's population, natural systems, and potential environmental impacts. In the planning phase, image analysis incorporating change detection provides insight into process or operational changes at the site, as well as activities impacting a facility's regulatory compliance. Images are used as a form of "virtual field reconnaissance" to help familiarize field personnel with a site. Once the field team arrives on site, imagery provides a base map for geophysical, sampling, ground verification, and analytical activities, thus supporting the field phase. Finally, imagery also supports the evaluation and report development phases of an investigation by providing a crucial visual element in reports, courtroom exhibits, and technical presentations.