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TIEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Draft Guidance on Implementation of Minimum Technology

Requirements and Corrective Action Requirements

of the Hazardous and Solid Waste Amendments of 1984

FROM:

John H. Skinner

Director

Office of Solid Waste (WH-562)

TO:

Addressees

Attached are two draft Reauthorization Statutory Interpretations that provide guidance on the implementation of several early enactment provisions of the Hazardous and Solid Waste Amendments of 1984. These documents have been prepared to solicit your input on the manner in which the Environmental Protection Agency will implement these key provisions of the Act. The drafts include interpretations of statutory language and central elements of the implementation strategy.

Minimum technology requirements went into effect on the date of enactment of the HSWA of 1984. Permits cannot be issued to land disposal facilities unless they address these requirements. In addition, certain interim status land disposal facilities will have to implement these minimum technology requirements by May 8, 1985. On December 21, 1984, the Office of Solid Waste distributed for comment a draft technical guidance that described the specifications for designs that EPA believes meet the performance requirements of the minimum technology provisions. The draft RSI and the draft technical guidance together provide the guidance necessary to implement these provisions. (Comments on the draft technical guidance are still under review and are not reflected in the attached guidance.)

Corrective action provisions also went into effect on the date of enactment of the HSWA of 1984. Permits issued after November 8, 1984, must address "corrective action for all releases of hazardous waste or constituents [at a RCRA regulated facility] regardless of the time at which waste was placed in such unit." Additional technical guidance—to be developed and issued over the course of the next year—will supplement the attached RSI. These guidances will describe how a permit writer determines if a facility is subject to corrective action, and what must be done about a release of concern.

Please send your comments on proposed minimum technology requirements to:

Robert Tonetti, Office of Solid Waste, Waste Management and Economics Division, Room 2106 Mall - WH-565, 401 M Street, SW, Washington, DC 20460.

Comments on the corrective action provisions should be sent to:

David Fagan, Office of Solid Waste, Permits and State Programs Division, Room S-243 Mall - WH-563, 401 M Street, SW, Washington, DC 20460.

All comments should be received at EPA no later than March 1.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Attachments

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