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OFFICE OF SOLID WASTE AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE

MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: FY86 Emergency Response Program Funding Strategy

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Environmental Services Division Directors, Regions I, VI, and VII

On October 2, 1985, Dr. J. Winston Porter, Assistant Administrator for Solid Waste and Emergency Response, held a teleconference at which time he informed Regional management of removal program funding constraints because CERCLA has not been reauthorized. In this teleconference, Dr. Porter outlined EPA's strategy for conducting removal activities only at those sites which meet the definition of true "emergency". This memorandum outlines that strategy. For purposes of this strategy "emergency" removal actions are defined as those situations where response is required in a matter of hours or days resulting from actual threats to human life or health or the environment. An "emergency" removal action will include the following categories of actions: fire or explosion threats, contamination of drinking water supplies at the tap, direct contact to acutely toxic substances, or other such similarly acute situations.

We have adopted the following removal program strategy for the first quarter of FY86 or until such time as CERCLA is reauthorized. In general, funding will only be provided for those removal actions which are true emergencies.

On-going Projects:

- 1) On-going removal actions which were forward funded during FY85 should be continued using FY85 funds, unless higher priority removal actions are identified.
- 2) On-going removal actions requiring FY86 funds for continuation or completion which are not true emergencies should be demobilized except for those actions where continuation of the project would be more cost-effective than demobilization (or because of other practical reasons).
- 3) On-going true emergency response actions which cannot be deferred until later in FY86 should be continued. FY86 funds have been provided to the Regions for these actions.

New Projects:

- 4) New first quarter, FY86 removal actions which are truly emergencies may be funded.
- 5) New first quarter, FY86 removal actions which are not emergencies will be deferred until later in FY86.

Removals in response to unanticipated emergencies should be conducted by the Regions as the urgency of the situation dictates. The available HQ contingency fund for unanticipated emergencies has nearly been depleted. Regional requests for additional funds will be carefully considered and funding decisions made in the context of national program needs.

Based on our best judgement to date, and after consultation with your staff, we believe the proposed second quarter removal allowances will be adequate to meet Regional needs. New unanticipated emergencies will again be considered and funding decisions made after consideration of national removal program needs. Of course, when CERCLA Reauthorization occurs, this funding strategy will be modified.

Should you have any questions concerning this memorandum, please contact your appropriate ERD Regional Coordinator or Steve Heare at FTS 382-2206.

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