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An Agency information system responding to the need for access to an extensive body of environmental literature. Formally established in April 1991, it is supported by the Office of Administration & Resources Management.

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MAIS

The Master Automated Inventory System is an online environmental database updated daily, which contains over 7000 titles of multi-media products.

Functions: Order entry, query, inventory for on hand month-to-date quantities immediately recalculated, and mailing list customer information updated or inactivated by EPIC personnel with appropriate program/client coordination.

Access: Currently, access is limited to seven test sites. Once the final report is out and system enhancements are made the system will be offered progressively to various locations throughout the Agency, possibilities to include: AA/RAs, Public Information Centers (PICS), Libraries, Dockets, and other clients.

KEY WORD TITLE SEARCH SYSTEM

The key word title search system is a subject-oriented database allowing users to identify those publications most closely associated with the subject matter involved, via one word or multi-string query.

Access: This system is being co-piloted with the MAIS system and will be offered in conjunction with that system once the pilot is completed in December 1991.

NETWORKING

The Center actively develops collaborative relationships within the EPA, other Federal agencies, state agencies, and other public groups or individuals with an interest in the compiling, archiving and dissemination of environmental publications to include the National Technical Information Service (NTIS), the Government Printing Office (GPO), Agency Libraries and PICs, and Depository Libraries across the United States. A specially based network involves 40+ Agency client representatives connected through quarterly meetings and an established Email link.

MATERIALS DEVELOPMENT, STORAGE & DISTRIBUTION

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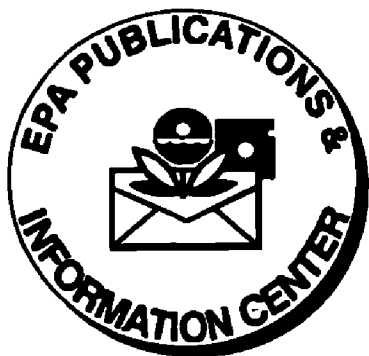
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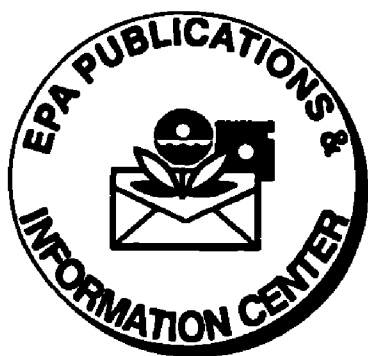
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