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MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Federal Facilities

FROM: Gene A. Lucero, Director
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TO: Addressees

The purpose of this memorandum is to clarify the responsibilities and direction of effort within the Office of Waste Programs Enforcement (OWPE) for Federal facility activities.

As you know, the Office of Emergency and Remedial Response (OERR) had the lead in developing the Federal Facilities Program Manual for Implementing CERCLA Responsibilities and the Staff Guidance Supplement. The purpose of the Manual is to explain to Federal agencies their responsibilities under CERCLA and provide a framework for their use in developing programs for their hazardous waste sites. The Supplement provides guidance for your use in assisting Federal agencies with their CERCLA responses. EPA Regional offices and Federal agencies have just completed a review of the final draft version.

Due to the division of responsibility for Federal facilities within the Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response (OSWER), OWPE will have the lead for the majority of sites - i.e. sites where releases of hazardous substances have been caused solely by activities on Federal facilities. Therefore, my office will respond to the comments and prepare the final Manual and Supplement.

We would appreciate Regional input in resolving policy and implementation issues concerning Federal facilities. Please designate a Federal facilities contact for CERCLA activities by August 27, 1985 by calling Linda Southerland of the Guidance and Oversight Branch at FTS-382-2035.

If you have any questions about this memo or any Federal facility policy issues, please contact Linda Southerland. If you have site specific questions, the point of contact is your Regional Coordinator in the CERCLA Compliance Branch.

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