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CERCLA/BROWNFIELDS

TITLE: FY06 Guidelines for the Brownfields Assessment, Revolving Loan Fund, and Cleanup Grants

PUBLICATION DATE: October 2005

EPA ORDER NO.: EPA560-F-05-244

AVAILABILITY: Internet

URL: www.epa.gov/brownfields/applicat.htm

This document provides guidance to eligible entities applying for Brownfields Assessment, Revolving Loan Fund, and Cleanup Grants. The Brownfields Assessment Grants provide funding to inventory, characterize, and assess brownfields, and to conduct planning and community involvement related to brownfields. The Brownfields Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) Grants provide funding to capitalize revolving loan funds and provide subgrants to carry out cleanup activities at brownfields. The Brownfields Cleanup Grants provide funding to carry out cleanup activities at brownfields. The deadline for submitting proposals to EPA is December 14, 2005.

TITLE: Investing in Partnership, Possibility, and People: A Report to Stakeholders from the U.S. EPA Brownfields Program

PUBLICATION DATE: November 2005

EPA ORDER NO.: EPA560-R-05-004

AVAILABILITY: Internet

URL: www.epa.gov/brownfields/news/bf_2005pubs.htm

This report describes how EPA's Brownfields Program has grown to offer assistance at more than 7,000 properties nationwide, while leveraging more than \$7.2 billion in revitalization funds from the public and private sectors.

TITLE: Grant Funding Guidance for State and Tribal Response Programs: Fiscal Year 2006

PUBLICATION DATE: October 2005

EPA ORDER NO.: EPA560-F-05-233

AVAILABILITY: Internet

URL: www.epa.gov/brownfields/state_tribal.htm

These guidelines provide assistance to states and tribes who want to apply for and use state and tribal response program grants provided for under CERCLA §128(a) in fiscal year 2005. Requests for funding will be accepted from December 1, 2005, through January 31, 2006.

OIL POLLUTION PREVENTION

TITLE: Oil Program Update

PUBLICATION DATE: October 2005

EPA ORDER NO.: EPA540-N-05-004

OSWER DIRECTIVE NO.: 9360.8-67

AVAILABILITY: Internet

URL: www.epa.gov/oilspill/document.htm

This quarterly publication provides EPA Regional staff, other federal agencies and departments, industry, and the regulated community with the latest Oil Program developments. This edition contains information on the Oil Program's integration into EPA's Office of Emergency Management; the preparations for the SPCC Guidance for Regional Inspectors publication; the Spring 2006 Freshwater Spills Symposium; the 2005 International Oil Spill Conference; the Hurricane Katrina pollution response efforts; the Boott Hydropower facility oil release; the release from an unknown source in Bangor, Maine; the EPA and Sunoco settlement; the Owensboro Grain crude soybean oil spill in Kentucky; the Fremont Paving oil spill in Colorado; and a high-pressure pipeline break in Kansas.

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PROPOSED RULES

CERCLA

“Standards and Practices for All Appropriate Inquiries Final Rule” November 11, 2005 (70 FR 66070)

EPA established specific regulatory requirements and standards for conducting all appropriate inquiries into the previous ownership and uses of a property for the purposes of meeting the provisions necessary to qualify for certain landowner liability protections under CERCLA. The standards and practices will also be applicable to persons conducting site characterization and assessments with the use of grants awarded under CERCLA §104(k)(2)(B). The effective date of this rulemaking is November 1, 2006.

NOTICES

CERCLA

“Update on the Status of the Superfund Substance-Specific Applied Research Program” November 29, 2005 (70 FR 71506)

EPA updated the status of Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry’s (ASTDR) Superfund-mandated Substance-Specific Applied Research Program (SSARP). The SSARP was established to identify and address data needs associated

with priority hazardous substances frequently found at waste sites.

TRI

“Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to OMB for Review and Approval; Toxic Chemical Release Reporting (Form R) (Renewal), EPA ICR Number 1363.14, OMB Control Number 2070-0093” November 23, 2005 (70 FR 70822)

EPA announced that the following Information Collection Renewal (ICR) has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval: “Toxic Chemical Release Reporting (Form R) (Renewal),” ICR Number 1363.14, OMB Control Number 2070-0093. The current expiration date for this ICR is January 31, 2006. Comments must be received by December 23, 2005.

“Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to OMB for Review and Approval; Toxic Chemical Release Reporting, Alternate Threshold for Low Annual Reportable Amounts (Form A) (Renewal), EPA ICR Number 1704.08, OMB Control Number 2070-0143” November 23, 2005 (70 FR 70823)

EPA announced that the following ICR has been forwarded to OMB for review and

approval: "Toxic Chemical Release Reporting, Alternate Threshold for Low Annual Reportable Amounts (Form A) (Renewal)," ICR Number 1704.08, OMB Control Number 2070-0143. The current expiration date for this ICR is January 31, 2006. Comments must be received by December 23, 2005.

**"Agency Information Collection Activities OMB Responses"
November 23, 2005 (70 FR 70824)**

This document announced OMB's responses to Agency Clearance requests, in compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 et Seq.). On October 25, 2005, OMB filed comment on ICR Number 2086.01, "Dioxin and Dioxin-Like Compounds; Toxic Equivalency Reporting; Community Right-to-Know Toxic Chemical Release Reporting (Proposed Rule)."

**"Extension of Comment Period for the Toxics Release Inventory Burden Reduction Proposed Rule"
November 29, 2005 (70 FR 71448)**

EPA extended the comment period for the "Toxics Release Inventory Burden Reduction Proposed Rule" (70 FR 57822; October 4, 2005). Comments must be received by January 13, 2006.

CAA

**"Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to OMB for Review and Approval; Comment Request; Risk Management Program Requirements and Petitions To Modify the List of Regulated Substances under Section 112(r) of the Clean Air Act (Renewal), EPA ICR Number 1656.12, OMB Control Number 2050-0144"
November 1, 2005 (70 FR 65894)**

EPA announced that the following ICR has been forwarded to OMB for review and approval: "Risk Management Program Requirements and Petitions To Modify the List of Regulated Substances under Section 112(r) of the Clean Air Act (Renewal)," ICR Number 1656.12, OMB Control Number 2050-0144. The current expiration date for this ICR is October 31, 2005. Comments must be received by December 1, 2005.

SETTLEMENTS AND CONSENT DECREES

"Consent Decree; *United States and State of Texas v. BP AMOCO Chemical Company, et al.*"
November 2, 2005 (70 FR 66462)

"Consent Decree; *United States v. Chemical Waste Management, Inc.*"
November 2, 2005 (70 FR 66463)

"Consent Decree; *United States v. Kentucky Utilities Co.*"
November 2, 2005 (70 FR 66463)

"Proposed Settlement; Baldwin Park Operable Unit of the San Gabriel Valley Superfund Sites"
November 2, 2005 (70 FR 66464)

"Consent Decree; *United States, et al. v. Oakley-Keese Ford*"
November 2, 2005 (70 FR 66465)

“Proposed Settlement; A&H Sales Superfund Site”
November 10, 2005 (70 FR 68448)

“Proposed Settlement; Forty-Third Street Bay Drum Superfund Site”
November 10, 2005 (70 FR 68448)

“Proposed Settlement; Northeast Chemical Superfund Site”
November 10, 2005 (70 FR 68448)

“Consent Decree; In re Equinox Oil Co., Inc., et al.”
November 16, 2005 (70 FR 69586)

“Consent Decree; *United States v. Tecumseh Products Company*”
November 16, 2005 (70 FR 69587)

“Consent Decree; *United States v. General Electric Company*”
November 23, 2005 (70 FR 70880)

“Proposed Settlement; Solitron Devices Superfund Site, Solitron Microwave Superfund Site, Petroleum Products Corporation Superfund Site, City Industries, Inc. Superfund Site, and Casmalia Resources Superfund Site”
November 25, 2005 (70 FR 71142)

“Consent Decree; *Burns v. MBK, et al. v. United States*”
November 25, 2005 (70 FR 71171)

“Proposed Settlement; Zimble Drum Superfund Site”
November 30, 2005 (70 FR 71846)