Bringing state and small local government officials together proactively to address environmental concerns

WORKING TOGETHER

- Would you like to be more confident that you are aware of all of your environmental requirements?
- Would you like to have the regulator working with you?
- Would you like to have a realistic and workable plan to get into full environmental compliance and stay there?
 Did you know that having an
- environmental management system for your governmental operations can improve your bond rating and reduce your insurance premiums?

THE SMALL LOCAL GOVERNMENTS

COMPLIANCE ASSISTANCE POLICY

CAN HELP

www.epa.gov/compliance/incentives/ smallcommunities/index.html

WHY WAIT?

ACT NOW TO TAKE CHARGE OF YOUR ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONISIBILITIES

STATES & COMMUNITIES

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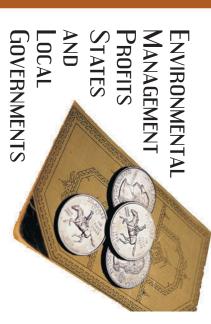
COMPLIANCE ASSISTANCE Policy

ADVANTAGES & BENEFITS

- Evaluation & Implementation Plan Comprehensive Environmental
- Flexible Compliance Options
- Improved Bond Rating
- Reduced Insurance Premiums
- Corrected Before They Start **Environmental Problems**
- up to 3,300* Residents Designed for Communities of

 * up to 10,000 residents if a state assessment determines to acheive compliance without the local government is unlikely

STATE EMPOWERMENT



even eliminate noncompliance penalties. Small governments can significantly reduce or



A POLICY THAT WORKS FOR YOU

environmental regulations. Small governments must commit to correcting any violations that are found Small local governments begin by working with their state to assess their compliance with

the local government cannot correct its violations in 180 days, it must

either enter



environmental management system. EPA may then defer to the state's into an enforceable agreement with a schedule for correcting decision to decrease or waive normal noncompliance penalties the violations or commit to developing and implementing an

imminent or substantial danger to public health violations, and violations that do not create EPA's Policy applies only to non-criminal

Protect Your World

present endangerment to public health or the environment to initiate enforcement actions addressing violations that may EPA retains all enforcement authorities, including the discretion

