

 <p>United States Environmental Protection Agency Office of Ground Water and Drinking Water Washington, DC 20460</p> <p><b>UIC Federal Reporting System</b> <b>Part II: Compliance Evaluation</b> <b>Significant Noncompliance</b> (This information is solicited under the authority of the Safe Drinking Water Act)</p>				I. Name and Address of Reporting Agency  United States Environmental Protection Agency						
II. Date Prepared (month, day, year)		III. State Contact (name, telephone no.)		IV. Reporting Period (month, year) From <b>October 1, 20</b> To						
Item				Class and Type of Injection Wells						
				I	II			III	IV	V
V. Summary of Significant Non- Compliance (SNC)	Total Wells	A	Number of Wells with SNC Violations							
	Total Violations	B	1. Number of Unauthorized Injection SNC Violations							
			2. Number of Mechanical Integrity SNC Violations							
			3. Number of Injection Pressure SNC Violations							
			4. Number of Plugging and Abandonment SNC Violations							
			5. Number of SNC Violations of Formal Orders							
			6. Number of Falsification SNC Violations							
			7. Number of Other SNC Violations (Specify)							
VI. Summary of Enforcement Against SNC	Total Wells	A	Number of Wells with Enforcement Actions Against SNC							
	Total Enforcement Actions	B	1. Number of Notices of Violation							
			2. Number of Consent Agreements/Orders							
			3. Number of Administrative Orders							
			4. Number of Civil Referrals							
			5. Number of Criminal Referrals							
			6. Number of Well Shut-ins							
			7. Number of Pipeline Severances							
8. Number of Other Enforcement Actions Against SNC Violations (Specify)										
VII. Summary of Compliance	Number of Wells in SNC Returned to Compliance		A. This Quarter							
			B. This Year							
VIII. Contamination	Number of Cases of Alleged Contamination of a USDW									
IX. Well Closure	Class IV/Endangering Class V Well Closures			Involuntary Well Closure						
				Voluntary Well Closure						
Certification I certify that the statements I have made on this form and all attachments thereto are true, accurate, and complete. I acknowledge that any knowingly false or misleading statement may be punishable by fine or imprisonment or both under applicable law.										
Signature and Typed or Printed Name and Title of Person Completing Form							Date	Telephone No.		

## Instructions and Definitions

### EPA Form 7520-2B

**Section IV. Reporting Period:** All reporting is cumulative, year to date, beginning with October 1.

Definitions of SNC Violations:

1. Violations of any kind pertaining to a Class I or IV well.
2. The following violations by the owner/operator of a Class II, III, or V well:
  - a. **Unauthorized Injection** – Any unauthorized emplacement of fluids (where formal authorization is required);
  - b. **Mechanical Integrity** – Well operation without mechanical integrity which causes the movement of fluid outside the authorized zone – if injection of such fluid may have the potential for endangering a USDW;
  - c. **Injection Pressure** – Well operation at an injection pressure that exceeds the permitted or authorized injection pressure and causes the movement of fluid outside the authorized zone of injection – if such movement may have the potential for endangering a USDW;
  - d. **Plugging and Abandonment** – The plugging and abandonment of an injection well in an unauthorized manner. This definition includes the “walking away from” a responsibility to plug and abandon a well. These wells are in SNC only when there is endangerment of USDW and there is an identifiable owner/operator;
  - e. **Violation of a Formal Order** – Any violation of a formal enforcement action, including an administrative or judicial order, consent agreement, judgement, or equivalent State action;
  - f. **Falsification** – The knowing submission or use of any false information in a permit application, periodic report or special request for information about a well.

**Section V. Total No. of Wells with SNC Violations:**

*Significant Noncompliance information is also to be reported on EPA Form 7520-2A. Under each well class and type, enter the total number of SNC violations which have been identified in the year to date, whether or not the violation(s) have been corrected and the well(s) returned to compliance. These totals track the percentage of the injection well universe in SNC each year. Enter a well only once each year.*

For subsections 1 through 7 enter under each well class the total number of times, by specific violation, an SNC has been identified this year to date.

**Section VI. Total SNC Enforcement Actions:** *Significant Noncompliance information is also to be reported on EPA Form 7520-2A. Under each well class and type, enter the total number of wells with SNC violations that have received an enforcement action(s) this year to date, whether or not the wells have been returned to compliance. These totals track the percentage of the injection well universe that receives an SCN enforcement action each year. Enter a well only once each year.*

For subsections 1 through 8 enter under each well class the total number of times wells with SNC violations have received the specified enforcement action this year to date.

**Section VII. No. of Wells Returned to Compliance:** *A “Well Returned to Compliance” is a well in violation of UIC program requirements which has had the violation(s) corrected and has had the resolution of the violation(s) verified by the regulating authority. An enforcement action alone (e.g., well shut-in) does not constitute a “Return to Compliance.”*

Under subsection A, enter under each well class the total number of wells returned to compliance (as a result of an enforcement action against an SNC violation) in the current quarter only. Under subsection B, enter under each well class the total number of wells returned to compliance (as a result of an enforcement action against an SNC violation) this year to date. *These totals track the percentage of the injection well universe that returned to compliance through an SNC enforcement action(s) each year. Enter a well only once each year.*

**Section VIII. USDW Contaminations**

Enter under each well class the number of times a well in SNC has allegedly contaminated an underground source of drinking water (USDW) this year to date.

**Section IX. Number of Class IV/V Endangering Class V Well Closures:**

Enter the number of Class IV and Class V well closures either as a voluntary or involuntary action. Involuntary well closure means wells closed as a result of enforcement actions or permit call-ins. Voluntary well closure means well closed as a direct result of outreach activities. Well closure describes a process to permanently discontinue injection of an unauthorized and endangering fluid contaminant which is in violation of RCRA or SDWA or applicable regulations. At the time, closure must include immediate cessation of injection of unauthorized waste stream to satisfy SDWA requirements. To satisfy both SDWA and RCRA, well closure may require additional actions: remove injection fluids deposited in well, sludge and any visibly contaminated soil; segregate hazardous waste streams from sanitary waste streams (septic system) and redirect HW to holding tank; restrict injection to authorized waste stream; seal floor drain; obtain authorized sewer hook-up; remove well, injectate and contaminated soil and dispose in authorized facility. Imminent threat to USDW may require monitoring and ground-water remediation.

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