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Appendix A: Summary of Updated Remedy Decisions for FY00 and FY01

Appendix A.1: Summary of Remedy Update Information for FY00

Appendix A.2: Summary of Remedy Update Information for FY01

1.0 Introduction

Updating Remedy Decisions, announced in the third round of Superfund Reforms in October 1995, is one of a broad range of administrative reforms undertaken to improve the efficiency, speed, and fairness of the Superfund program. Specifically, the Reform encourages the Regions to revisit selected remedy decisions at sites where significant new scientific information, technological advancements, or other considerations will protect human health and the environment while enhancing overall remedy cost effectiveness.

This report contains an evaluation of remedy updates completed during FY00 and FY01 and is the third biannual Summary Report since the reform was announced. Previous remedy update reports may be found as indicated below.

For remedy updates completed in FY96 and FY97, see the document, "*Updating Remedy Decisions at Select Superfund Sites, Summary Report, FY 1996 and FY 1997*," July 1998, OSWER Directive 540-R-98-017 on EPA's website listed below. The Summary Report for FY96 and FY97 contains the background information of the Reform, a description of the Reform, the process for implementing the Reform, and Regional implementation plans from each of the ten EPA Regions.

For remedy updates completed in FY98 and FY99, see the document "*Updating Remedy Decisions at Select Superfund Sites, Summary Report, FY 1998 and FY 1999*," March 2001, OSWER Directive 540-R-01-00 on EPA's web site listed below.

Finally, to find a cumulative summary of this reform as well as trends during fiscal years 1996 through 1999, see the document, "*Updating Remedy Decisions at Select Superfund Sites Cumulative Summary Report FY 1996 Through FY 1999*," March 2001, OSWER Directive 9355.0-77 on EPA's web site listed below.

The FY00 and FY01 report:

- Provides a summary of Superfund sites where remedies have been updated;

- Highlights estimated future cost reductions (cost savings) or cost increases expected to result from updated remedies; and
- Presents stakeholders with information on the role of remedy updates in improving Superfund implementation.

Since this reform was announced, EPA sought to encourage remedy updates that would incorporate such new information into existing site cleanups. As a whole, reforms were implemented to make Superfund faster, fairer, and more efficient.

It is important to emphasize that this initiative does not signal any variations in the Agency's current policies regarding site cleanup, including policies regarding remedy selection, treatment of principal threats, preference of permanent remedies, establishment of cleanup levels, or the degree to which remedies must protect human health and the environment. EPA remains committed to the protection of public health, welfare, and the environment as provided in CERCLA and the National Oil and Hazardous Substances Pollution Contingency Plan (NCP).

For Previous Remedy Update Reports, visit these Web sites:

For remedy updates completed in FY96 and FY97 see:

<http://www.epa.gov/oerrpage/superfund/programs/reforms/docs/urd96-97.pdf>

For remedy updates completed in FY98 and FY99 see:

<http://www.epa.gov/oerrpage/superfund/programs/reforms/docs/biannual.pdf>

For remedy updates FY96 through FY99 see:

<http://www.epa.gov/superfund/programs/reforms/docs/cumulat.pdf>