

**TI-924**

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**Short Description:**

Environmental Liability Questionnaire - Region 5

**Inquiry:**

The PBS Environmental Hotline caller requested information pertaining to Section 2-B of the Environmental Liability Questionnaire for Region 5. Specifically, the caller was interested in learning about buildings in Region 5 that had EPA Identification Numbers, and those on the Federal National Priorities List. Also, the caller requested information regarding questions 19-23 on the Environmental Liability Questionnaire.

**Response:**

Completing the Environmental Liability Questionnaire (specifically questions 19 through 23) will be done successfully by following some of the outlines and links below. A comprehensive list of sites on the Federal National Priorities list can be compiled quite easily; however, information on the state level (State Priorities List) is tracked differently between each state. A description and summary of information found is outlined for each state, and any information obtained is included.

**FEDERAL NATIONAL PRIORITIES LIST AND EPA IDENTIFICATION NUMBERS**

The following web address includes a listing of the sites for each state located within Region 5 (Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Ohio, and Wisconsin) and their related EPA Identification number: [http://www.epa.gov/region5superfund/sfd\\_npl.htm](http://www.epa.gov/region5superfund/sfd_npl.htm). Information provided at this web site would be used with respect to questions 19 and 20 on your Environmental Liability Questionnaire. It may also be necessary to check back with the individual states in the future to ensure that no additions were made and overlooked.

**STATE PRIORITIES LIST AND IDENTIFICATION NUMBERS**

Each state individually monitored and tracked sites on their 'state priorities list,' making it difficult to compile an accurate and complete list of sites. Divided up by state is a description of the sites or manor by which one would gain information regarding particular sites in each state. This information would be used to answer questions 21 and 22 in the Environmental Liabilities Questionnaire.

**ILLINOIS**

According to the Office of Public Information for the State of Illinois, there is no longer a State Remedial Action Priorities List (SRAPL). It was decided in June of 1992 that the Illinois EPA lacked the power to create the SRAPL, and has since been considered void. Even though it has not been officially repealed, it is essentially ineffective and nonexistent. The National Priorities List (NPL) for sites in Illinois would be the primary source for potentially contaminated sites that GSA should be concerned with examining.

**INDIANA**

The office of Land Quality for the State of Indiana directed inquiries to State Listed Sites to the following web site: [http://www.in.gov/idem/olq/site\\_information/summaries/index.html](http://www.in.gov/idem/olq/site_information/summaries/index.html)  
From this web site a list of sites in the "Voluntary Remediation Program" is available, in addition to what has been compiled.

**MICHIGAN**

Referring to the following web site: <http://www.deq.state.mi.us/erd/>, all the information needed is available through two of the link choices. The first link, SUPERFUND PROGRAM, lists all the sites on the Federal NPL and descriptive information. The second link, CONTAMINATED SITES IN MICHIGAN, allows for searching and viewing a more comprehensive state list of contaminated sites. Karl Chavez, of the DEQ, also suggested that we incorporate the list of sites that are kept separate under the Storage Tank Division, for which there is a link to on the CONTAMINATED SITES IN MICHIGAN page.

## MINNESOTA

The state of Minnesota is in the process of updating their list of state sites, and making them available on the web: <http://data.pca.state.mn.us/pca/plpsearch.html#factsheets>.

## OHIO

The State of Ohio has no formal site list, however, contact numbers for the districts within the state were supplied. When the specific site in question is known, more information can be gathered using the following phone numbers:

- CDO: 614-728-3778
- NEDO: 330-963-1200
- NWDO: 419-352-8461
- SEDO: 740-385-8501
- SWDO: 937-285-6357

## WISCONSIN

To look up particular sites in question, use the website below. Wisconsin maintains a fully comprehensive list of both open and closed sites that are contaminated (<http://www.dnr.state.wi.us/org/aw/rr/index>). It is necessary to know some details regarding the site in question in order to properly search the database.

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