

Attention EPA Stakeholder:

This is your notification of the process that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) plans to implement to support biennial hazardous waste reporting for calendar year 2007. This reporting is required under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act of 1976 (RCRA), as amended by the Hazardous and Solid Waste Amendment of 1984 (HSWA).

During the next several months EPA intends to ask the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to renew the Information Collection Request (ICR) that supports the Hazardous Waste Report - Instructions and Forms Booklet (BR booklet.) We intend to ask OMB for permission to make the following changes to the 2007 booklet (Section for "OTHER REFERENCE INFORMATION AND CODE LISTS" – EPA Hazardous Waste Codes):

- 1) K140 – Delete this invalid waste code from the 2007 booklet.
- 2) K181 – Add this waste code to the 2007 booklet.

Stakeholders who wish to see an example of the booklet, albeit without the minor instruction changes noted above, may click on this link:

<http://www.epa.gov/epaoswer/hazwaste/data/br05/forms.htm>.

In addition to the above instruction changes, we will also make the following changes in Item 10.B. (10. Type of Regulated Waste Activity – B. Universal Waste Activities) of the RCRA Subtitle C Site Identification Form (Site ID) in the 2007 BR booklet in response to the final rule – Hazardous Waste Management System; Modification of the Hazardous Waste Program; Mercury Containing Equipment; Final Rule (70 FR 45508, August 5, 2005):

- 1) Replace 10.B.1.c. Thermostats with 10.B.1.c. Mercury containing equipment.
- 2) Delete "Generate" and "Accumulate" mark boxes and add "Manage" mark boxes to indicate the type(s) of universal wastes managed at the site.

We have already made this change to the Notification Form of Regulated Hazardous Waste Activity Instructions and Form Booklet (Form 8700-12), which was approved on June 6, 2006 by OMB (OMB#2050-0028). Please see the changes for new Item 10.B. in the following link:

<http://www.epa.gov/epaoswer/hazwaste/data/form8700/forms.htm#waste>

Upon approval of the ICR, EPA intends to post the 2007 BR booklet on the following website:

<http://www.epa.gov/epaoswer/hazwaste/data/biennialreport/index.htm>

Since the booklet is available on the web site, EPA is planning to eliminate, over time, our practice of shipping to states paper and compact disc (CD) copies of the BR booklet.

EPA has already notified states that, for the 2007 Hazardous Waste Report - Instructions and Forms Booklets, we will ship approximately 40% fewer hard copies and CDs than we shipped for the 2005 booklets. We expect to ship these booklets no later than November 30, 2007. For the 2009 booklet, EPA expects to ship few or no paper or CD copies.

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