



EPA CELEBRATED THE ADMINISTRATOR'S 26TH SMALL BUSINESS PROGRAM AWARDS CEREMONY ON MAY 5, 2016

On May 5, 2015, EPA held the Administrator's 26th Annual Small Business Program Awards Ceremony. The recipients of the EPA Administrator Awards were recognized for their outstanding contributions in FY 2015. This year, there were six recipients: Great Lakes Sediment Remediation, LLC for Outstanding Small Business; Redhorse Corporation for Outstanding Accomplishments by a SD-VOSB Contractor; Paul M. Witthoef, J.D., M.P.A. for Outstanding Accomplishments by an EPA Employee; the Pennsylvania Small Business Development Center, Environment Management Assistance Program for their Outstanding Accomplishments as a State Small Business Environmental Assistance Provider (SBEAP); and Region 6, the ChallengerHER Team 13 (Group Award) for their Outstanding Direct Procurement Achievements.

The Office of Small Business Programs Director's Awards were presented to Region 4, the Office of the Administrator and the Office of Administration and Management for exceeding all five of the Agency's Small Business Goals. In addition, Regions 2, 6, 7, and the Office of Research and Development received the Director's Award for exceeding four out of five of the Agency's Small Business Goals.

The coveted OSBP Director's Crystal Duck Awards were presented to Debora Bradford, William G. Goins and Stefan Martiyan for showing a strong commitment to the EPA Small Business Program. Gary Bertram also received an OSBP Director's Award for his outstanding support and Charles Hayes who retired was given a special recognition for his many years of dedicated service to the EPA Small Business Program.

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Stan Meiburg, EPA's Deputy Administrator, three representatives from the Redhorse Corporation and Kimberly Patrick, Director, OSBP

EPA Announces \$55.2 Million to Assess and Clean Up Contaminated Sites, Promote Economic Redevelopment Nationwide

At an event at a former brownfield site in Burlington, Vermont, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Administrator Gina McCarthy announced the selection of 218 new grant investments totaling \$55.2 million to 131 communities across the U.S. Recipients will receive approximately \$200,000 - \$820,000 in funding toward EPA cooperative agreements. The Assessment, Revolving Loan Fund and Cleanup (ARC) Grants go to communities that are underserved and economically disadvantaged, including neighborhoods where environmental cleanup and new jobs are most needed. "These grants will empower communities to transform idle, languishing lands into vibrant hubs for business, jobs, and recreation," said EPA Administrator Gina McCarthy. "It's all about providing that initial funding, and sparking that first conversation to set stalled sites on a path toward smart, safe redevelopment that directly benefits communities." Read more at:

<https://www.epa.gov/newsreleases/administrator-mccarthy-announces-552-million-assess-and-clean-contaminated-sites-0>

National Steering Committee of the Small Business Environmental Assistance Programs Acknowledges Industry Leaders for Their Outstanding Service to Small Business

The Small Business Environmental Assistance Programs (SBEAPs) have recognized Rick Carleski of the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency as the 2016 winner of the Karen V. Brown Leadership Award. He was chosen by a group of his peers on the SBEAP National Steering Committee (NSC). Carleski was recognized for his accomplishments in regulatory compliance, sustainability, advocacy, and collaboration with small businesses and the environmental assistance programs over the past 20 years. The Printing Industries of America, headquartered in Warrendale, Pennsylvania, was recognized by the National Steering Committee (NSC) of Small Business Environmental Assistance Programs (SBEAPs) and Small Business Ombudsmen (SBO's) for its leadership nationwide in the areas of compliance assistance, sustainability, advocacy, and collaboration. In addition, the SEAP/SBO National Steering Committee chose the Illinois Small Business Environmental Assistance Program to receive the 2016 Small Business Environmental Assistance Program Award for Excellence at their annual conference held in conjunction with National Small Business Week May 3-5, 2016 in Arlington, VA. The Illinois SBEAP was nominated by their peers and chosen for their leadership and outstanding efforts in fostering compliance assistance, sustainability, advocacy and collaboration. The Small Business Environmental Assistance Programs recognized Henke Manufacturing as the 2016 winner of the Small Business Environmental Stewardship Award. The company, based in Leavenworth, Kansas, was chosen by the SBEAP's National Steering Committee for its accomplishments in the areas of regulatory compliance, sustainability, advocacy, and collaboration.

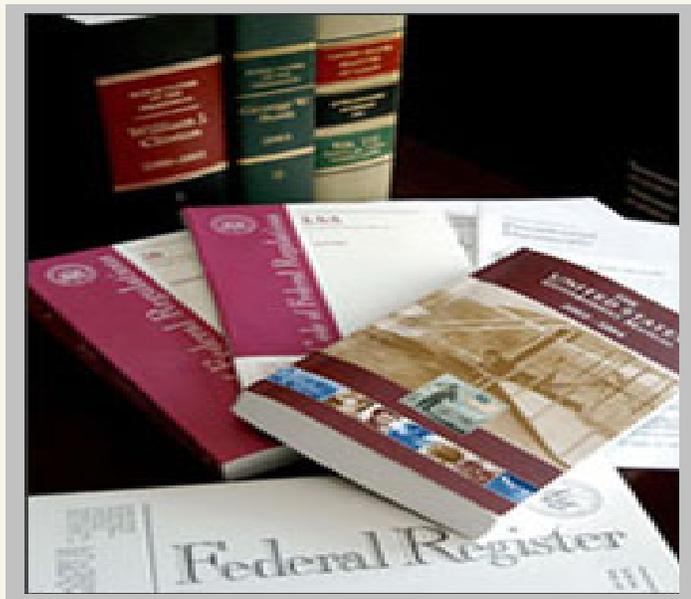
About the Small Business Environmental Assistance Programs (SBEAPs) The Small Business Environmental Assistance Programs were created under Section 507 of the Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990. For more than 20 years, the SBEAPs have provided extensive, hands-on technical assistance to small businesses across the country to help them understand and comply with complex environmental regulations. The SBEAPs recently launched a new website, <https://nationalsbeap.org/> which is a resource for program participants and small businesses. You can find your state specific contact at: <https://nationalsbeap.org/states>



Representative from the
Printing Industries of America



National SBEAP Members and
EPA Staff Members



Risk Management Plan (RMP) Rule

Section 112(r) of the Clean Air Act Amendments requires EPA to publish regulations and guidance for chemical accident prevention at facilities that use certain hazardous substances. These regulations and guidance are contained in the Risk Management Plan (RMP) rule. The information required from facilities under RMP helps local fire, police, and emergency response personnel prepare for and respond to chemical emergencies. Making RMPs available to the public also fosters communication and awareness to improve accident prevention and emergency response practices at the local level. The RMP rule was built upon existing industry codes and standards. It requires facilities that use listed regulated Toxic or Flammable Substances for Accidental Release Prevention to develop an RMP and submit that plan to EPA. Facilities holding more than a threshold quantity of a regulated substance in a process are required to comply with EPA's Risk Management Program regulations. Read more at: [General Risk Management Program Guidance](#). The RMP Fact Sheet can be viewed at:

<https://www.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2013-10/documents/auditfactsheet.pdf>

EPA FEDERAL REGISTER NOTICES

SUBJECT: Revised Interpretation of Clean Water Act Tribal Provision

<https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2016-05-16/pdf/2016-11511.pdf>

Federal Register: Vol. 81, No. 94, Monday, May 16 2016/
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AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency

ACTION: Final Interpretive Rule

SUMMARY: EPA in the interpretive rule we are finalizing today concludes definitively that section 518 includes an express delegation of authority by Congress to Indian tribes to administer regulatory programs over their entire reservations, subject to the eligibility requirements in section 518. This reinterpretation streamlines the process for applying for TAS, eliminating the need for applicant tribes to demonstrate inherent authority to regulate under the Act and allowing eligible tribes to implement the congressional delegation of authority.

SUBJECT: Significant New Use Rules on Certain Chemical Substances

<https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2016-05-16/pdf/2016-11121.pdf>

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AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency

ACTION: Direct Final Rule

SUMMARY: EPA is promulgating significant new use rules (SNURs) under the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) for 55 chemical substances which were the subject of premanufacture notices (PMNs). Ten of these chemical substances are subject to TSCA section 5(e) consent orders issued by EPA. This action requires persons who intend to manufacture (defined by statute to include import) or process any of these 55 chemical substances for an activity that is designated as a significant new use by this rule to notify EPA at least 90 days before commencing that activity.

National Environment Monitoring Conference August 8 – 12, 2016 Orange County, CA

The 2016 Environmental Measurement Symposium, which is the combined meeting of the Forum on Environmental Accreditation and the National Environmental Monitoring Conference (NEMC), will be held at the Hyatt Regency in Orange County, CA. The symposium is co-sponsored by The NELAC Institute (TNI) under a cooperative agreement with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). The theme of this year's symposium is "Technology Innovation, Citizen Science: What's Next?"

For on-line registration, go to:

<http://nemc.us/meeting/2016/nemc-reg.php>

For more details, go to:

<http://nemc.us/>



<http://www2.epa.gov/resources-small-businesses>

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