

## **Amendments to the Emergency and Hazardous Chemical Inventory Forms - (Tier I and Tier II)**

On July 3, 2012, EPA amended the Emergency and Hazardous Chemical Inventory Forms (Tier I and Tier II) under Section 312 of the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act (EPCRA) to add new data elements and revise some existing data elements. The amendments are intended to meet the purpose of EPCRA, which is "...to encourage and support state and local planning for emergencies caused by the release of hazardous chemicals and to provide citizens and governments with information concerning potential chemical hazards present in their communities."

### **Who Is Affected by This Rule?**

Organizations and facilities subject to section 312 of EPCRA and its implementing regulations found in 40 CFR 370 may be affected by this rule.

### **Why Did EPA Finalize These Changes?**

Over the years, state and local implementing agencies requested that EPA add new data elements to the Tier I and Tier II forms which would be useful to improve community emergency response plans.

### **What are the New/Revised Data Elements on Tier I and Tier II Forms?**

#### Required:

- Facility latitude and longitude.
- Facility identification numbers assigned under Toxics Release Inventory (TRI) and Risk Management Program (RMP).
- Indicate if the location where the hazardous chemicals are stored is manned or unmanned.
- Maximum number of occupants that may be present at the facility at any one time.
- Contact information for:
  - the facility emergency coordinator (FEC) for those facilities subject to EPCRA section 302,

- the facility representative responsible for Tier I and Tier II information, and
- email addresses of the owner or operator and emergency contact(s).
- Indicate if the facility is subject to EPCRA section 302 and if the facility is subject to Clean Air Act (CAA) section 112(r), also known as RMP.
- Provide a description for the storage types and conditions rather than reporting codes.

Optional:

- Facility phone number.
- Parent company contact information.
- Space for facilities to report any additional State or local reporting requirements or to voluntarily report hazardous chemicals below the reporting thresholds.

Additional Changes to Tier II Form Format:

- The table of range codes and amounts for reporting maximum amount and average daily amount of hazardous chemicals will be included for reference.
- Separate data fields for reporting pure chemicals and mixtures will be available.

**When Should I Begin Using These Revised Reporting Forms?**

The rule becomes effective on January 1, 2014. This means that regulated entities must submit calendar year 2013 chemical inventory information by the March 1, 2014 deadline using these revised forms. Please see EPA Form No. 8700-29 and 8700-30 attached.

**Where Do I Go For More Information?**

Please find the full rule in the Federal Register at Vol. 77, No. 135, pages 41300-41316 published on Friday, July 13, 2012.

For more information on general EPCRA requirements, please visit:  
<http://www.epa.gov/emergencies/content/epcra/index.htm>

For information on the Tier I and Tier II forms, please visit:  
[http://www.epa.gov/emergencies/content/epcra/epcra\\_storage.htm#tier2](http://www.epa.gov/emergencies/content/epcra/epcra_storage.htm#tier2)

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