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Letter of Intent between the State of West Virginia and United States Environmental Protection Agency Region III

This letter of Intent is signed in accordance with the Capability Assessment developed for Final RCRA Authorization of the State of West Virginia.

As a result of EPA's assessment of West Virginia's hazardous waste program the State and EPA agree to the following actions in order to ensure that the State's program is consistent with EPA's "Interim National Criteria for a Quality Hazardous Waste Management Program under RCRA."

EPA:

EPA agrees to assist the State in setting up their computer system to handle regular monthly reporting, as soon as the computer is installed.

EPA agrees to provide training to State permit staff on the use of the personal computer to augment completeness/technical reviews by the permit writer, as soon as the computer is installed.

EPA agrees to schedule and participate in monthly conference calls to improve communication with the State on permit actions, resolve issues relating to the HSWA requirements and coordinate issuance of joint State/EPA permits.

State:

The State agrees to the following actions to ensure that quality permit applications are submitted:

- The State will establish a direct line of communication between the permit writer and the applicant by offering opportunities for preapplication meetings.
- The State will hold a one-day seminar for owners/operators who have been requested to submit Part B application.

The State agrees to participate in monthly telephone conference calls with EPA to improve the coordination and communication on permit actions.

The State agrees to participate in any EPA training in the areas of permitting, closure/post closure, financial assurance, statistical evaluation of ground water monitoring, ground water sampling and analysis, and other related topics through FY-86. The State agrees to procure and develop its hazardous waste automated data system and participate in training provided by EPA on this subject.

This Letter of Intent can be amended, continued and/or terminated at any time at the request of either party and mutual agreement of both parties.

Signed

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