e-Manifest Monthly Update July 2017

Announcement of the Next e-Manifest Advisory Board Meeting

EPA will convene the Hazardous Waste Electronic Manifest System ("e-Manifest") Advisory Board to hold its second public meeting. The meeting will be held on **September 26-28, 2017**, at the Environmental Protection Agency Conference Center, Lobby Level, One Potomac Yard (South Bldg.), 2777 S. Crystal Dr., Arlington, VA 22202. The meeting theme will be *"Implementing e-Manifest: User Registration and Account Activation."* The purpose of the meeting is to address critical e-Manifest user registration and account activation issues that need resolution prior to the launch of the e-Manifest system.

For further information, please refer to the <u>Federal Register</u> notice announcing this meeting. You may also please contact, Fred Jenkins, Designated Federal Officer (DFO) of the e-Manifest Advisory Board, via phone at 703-308-7049 or by e-mail: <u>jenkins.fred@epa.gov</u>.

Announcement of e-Manifest July 26th Webinar

EPA plans to host the next e-manifest webinar update on **July 26th**, **2017**, **from 2:00 -3:00**, **EST**. You can register for the webinar <u>here</u>.

This webinar will provide an update on e-Manifest, including progress on system and policy development. It's also an opportunity to ask questions of the e-Manifest team.

For information on access or services for individuals with disabilities, and to request accommodation of a disability, please send an email to <u>eManifest@epa.gov</u> six days prior to the meeting to give EPA as much time as possible to process your request.

e-Manifest System Development

EPA launched Release 1 of e-Manifest on June 30, 2017. In this release are:

- 1. Changes based on user feedback
- 2. Initial web services for system to system communications including the following (Users may be able to use their existing manifest software):
 - Authentication Services and ID/Key Registration
 - Retrieve manifest and handler services
 - Data look up services
 - A web page for testing and documenting the services
 - Sample code for accessing the services
- 3. Capabilities for Generator and Transport Storage and Disposal Facility (TSDF) to create, edit, and save a manifests.
- 4. An ability for Users to add facilities not in the system database.
- 4. An ability for TSDFs to sign individual or bulk manifests (using EPA standard electronic signature services (Central Data Exchange (CDX): https://cdx.epa.gov/cdx/login).

For information about testing, see https://github.com/USEPA/e-manifest.

EPA's e-Manifest team will work to enhance the State and EPA user interface of e-Manifest and to develop new services for industry users to integrate e-Manifest into their own systems. This work will be part of the Release 2.0 of e-Manifest, due to be completed in the winter of 2018. The team will also be developing user guides.

e-Manifest User Fee Rule

The Final Agency Review (FAR) meeting on the Final User Fee Rule notice was held on June 22, 2017. All offices and Regions discussed and concurred on final revisions to the proposed final Fee Rule. The next step will be the submission of the updated draft final rule to the Office of Policy for transmission to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). OMB will then conduct its Review and Interagency Review (EO 12866) of the final rule.

e-Manifest Implementation

The EPA regional offices will be reaching out to the states within their region to request assistance to prepare the states' regulatory programs as well as their regulated community for the anticipated June 2018 launch of e-Manifest. The regions' main focus this summer will be to identify state contacts who will coordinate with them on e-Manifest implementation activities up to and through the June 2018 launch date of the system.

e-Manifest Stakeholder Meetings

On July 20, 2017 members of EPA's e-manifest team met with the Environmental Technology Council (ETC) to answer their questions about issues related to e-Manifest implementation and user fees.

On August 15-17, 2017, e-Manifest team will be doing a presentation to the Association of State and Territorial Solid Waste Management Officials (ASTSWMO) at the Joint Hazardous Waste & Materials Management Training Conference in Oklahoma City, OK. The presentation will address the implementation of e-Manifest and the path forward towards system launch.

The e-Manifest team will also be conducting an informational session at the 2017 RCRAInfo National Users Conference August 28 – September 1, 2017 in Chicago, IL. This session will discuss the implementation of the electronic manifest system (e-Manifest) including the RCRAInfo Industry Application, paper processing, and hybrid solutions.

For more information about e-Manifest please:

- Submit input/questions to eManifest@epa.gov
- Subscribe to the general interest e-Manifest ListServ send a blank message to: eManifest-subscribe@lists.epa.gov
- Subscribe to the development-focused e-Manifest ListServ, send a blank email to: e-ManifestDev-subscribe@lists.epa.gov.

- Visit EPA's Manifest Program webpage at: https://www.epa.gov/hwgenerators/hazardous-waste-electronic-manifest- system-e-manifest
 Track the progress of e-Manifest at: https://github.com/USEPA/e-manifest/