




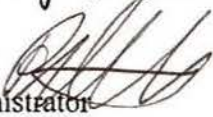
UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460

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MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Response to Office of Inspector General Management Alert: Certain Risk Communication Information for Community Not Up to Date for Amphenol/ Franklin Power Products Site in Franklin, Indiana Report No. 19-N-0217 dated June 27, 2019

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TO: Charles J. Sheehan  
Acting Inspector General  
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Thank you for the opportunity to respond to the issues and recommendations in the subject Management Alert. Following is the Agency's position on the recommendations. We have provided intended corrective actions and completion dates.

AGENCY'S POSITION AND RESPONSE

We generally agree with the recommendations of the Management Alert as follows:

- Region 5 should update the Cleanups in My Community website and any other relevant websites to correct the status of human health and groundwater migration milestones for the Amphenol site and keep the website(s) current.
- OLEM should remind all regions to verify that the status of human health and groundwater migration milestones are accurate and up-to-date on the EPA's websites. Specifically, OLEM will remind the regions, per the Agency's RCRA Corrective Action Program policy for Duration/Applicability of EI Determinations, that "EI Determinations status codes should remain in RCRIS [RCRAInfo] national database only as long as they

remain true (i.e., RCRIS [RCRAInfo] status codes must be changed when the regulatory authorities become aware of contrary information).<sup>1</sup>

AGREEMENTS

No.	Recommendation	High-Level Intended Corrective Action(s)	Estimated Completion by Quarter and FY
1.	The OIG recommends that the Region 5 Regional Administrator update the Cleanups in My Community website and any other relevant websites to correct the status of human health and groundwater migration milestones for the Amphenol site and that the website(s) be kept current.	1.1: Region 5 will update the Cleanups in My Community website and any other relevant websites to correct the status of human health and groundwater migration milestones for the Amphenol site.	July 2, 2019 (completed)
		1.2 Region 5 will keep the website(s) current.	Ongoing
2.	The OIG recommends that the Assistant Administrator for Land and Emergency Management remind all regions to verify that the status of human health and groundwater migration milestones is accurate and up-to-date on the EPA's websites.	OLEM will send a memo to all regions reminding them to verify that the status of human health and groundwater migration milestones are accurate and up-to-date on the EPA's websites, following the Agency's RCRA Corrective Action policy for Duration/Applicability of EI Determinations.	4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter 2019

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<sup>1</sup> Environmental Indicator Forms: Documentation of Environmental Indicator Determination, RCRA Corrective Action Environmental Indicator (EI) RCRIS code (CA725), Current Human Exposures Under Control, Interim Final 2/5/99; and Documentation of Environmental Indicator Determination, RCRA Corrective Action Environmental Indicator (EI) RCRIS code (CA750), Migration of Contaminated Groundwater Under Control, Interim Final 2/5/99.