



Environmental Management Newsletter

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Reporting Information for 1996 NPRI

The National Pollutant Release Inventory is a database of releases to the environment of 178 listed substances. This program is designed to make this information available to the public. The first reporting year was 1993 with the reports due by June 1994. The reports for the current reporting year of 1996 are due by July 1, 1997.

Facilities are required to report if they meet the following criteria (found in "Guide for Reporting to the National Pollutant Release Inventory", 1996 by Environment Canada)

- employees worked a total of 20,000 hours or more during 1996, which is equivalent to 10 full-time employees, and
- the facility has manufactured, processed or otherwise used 10 tonnes or more of an NPRI substance in the 1996 calendar year, and
- the NPRI substance was manufactured, processed or otherwise used at a concentration greater than or equal to 1% by weight, with the exception of NPRI substances considered to be by-products.
- The total weight of the by-products regardless of their concentration, must be included in the calculation of the 10-tonne threshold for each NPRI substance

For more information on the 1996 NPRI reporting requirements contact one of our technical staff.



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