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Region V Regional Response Team

WORK PLAN FOR FISCAL YEAR 1993

(revised by S. Huff 1/7/93)

I. Revised Management

A. Maintain and update the Regional Contingency Plan.

(Ongoing) Responsibility: FEMA (lead); RRT member agencies; and Management Staff membership listed below.

B. Review proposed regulations issued under the Oil Pollution Act of 1990.

(Ongoing) Responsibility: U.S. EPA, Coast Guard, Dept. of Justice, Michigan DNR, and Ohio EPA.

C. Review other proposed Federal regulations which may impact RRT activities.

Responsibility: U.S. EPA (lead)

Target Date: Open

D. Complete computerized inventory of response resources. Coordinate activities with national and international efforts.

Responsibility: U.S. Coast Guard and Federal Emergency Management Agency, in conjunction with the Great Lakes Commission.

Target Date: 4th Quarter

E. Prepare and distribute OSC reports to RRT members.

(Ongoing) Responsibility: RRT representative for the lead agency.

F. Prepare a Shoreline Guidance Document for the Regional Contingency Plan.

(Ongoing) Responsibility: NOAA Scientific Support Coordinator and Countermeasures Workgroup.

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G. Examine pre-approval strategies for the test use of Elastol.

(Ongoing) Responsibility: NOAA Scientific Support Coordinator and Countermeasures Workgroup.

II. Preparedness

A. Update State disposal requirements. Identify "exemptions" available to PRPs and OSCs for disposal of materials.

Responsibility: U.S. EPA, and State of Michigan

Target Date: 3rd Quarter

B. Review a maximum of two Local Emergency Contingency Plans per State, if submitted by State Emergency Response Commissions.

Responsibility: RRT

C. Distribute Research and Development response-related information provided by the NRT R&D Committee, and advise the R&D Committee regarding technical information needed for response.

(Ongoing) Responsibility: U.S. EPA

D. Develop Standard Operating Procedures for RRT to function as Area Committees.

(Ongoing) Responsibility: Management Work Group.

III. Training and Exercises

A. Training

1. Review State requests for SARA Title III, Section 305(a) training money, and submit recommendations to the National Response Team.

Responsibility: FEMA with support from the Management Staff.

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2. Maintain and expand a lending library of hazardous materials literature, video tapes, and training courses.

(Ongoing) Responsibility: FEMA

3. Provide Title III and First Responder Training to Indian tribal governments.

Responsibility: U.S. EPA and FEMA.

4. Conduct a regional refresher training course for Hazardous Materials Technician and Hazardous Materials Specialist "first responders."

Responsibility: FEMA and appropriate RRT Management Staff

Target Date: October 1993

5. Conduct a regional workshop on hazardous materials for State training officials.

Responsibility: FEMA

Target Date: March 1993

6. Evaluate Hazardous material training courses funded by Section 305(a) to ensure that they meet appropriate standards.

(Ongoing) Responsibility: FEMA with participation from appropriate RRT members.

7. Assist in preparation for the Inland Spills Conference.

Responsibility: U.S. Coast Guard, U.S. EPA, and appropriate RRT members.

B. Exercises

1. Assist in scenario development for the Lake Erie Table Top Exercise (LETTEX).

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Responsibility: Ohio Emergency Management Agency, and Ohio EPA.

Target Date: September 1993

2. Participate in LETTEX.

Responsibility: RRT member agencies

Target Date: September 1993

3. Provide technical support in planning, execution, and critique of local exercises.

(Ongoing) Responsibility: FEMA and individual RRT member agencies as available.

IV. External Relations

A. Coordinate the timing and location of RRT meetings with outside organizations such as ORSANCO; Upper Mississippi River Basin Association; and State activities (e.g. Ohio Spills Conference).

(Ongoing) Responsibility: Management Staff and State RRT members.

B. Provide awards in recognition of LEPC and private sector activities.

Responsibility: RRT Co-Chairs with Management Staff support.

Target Date: 4th Quarter

V. RRT Management and Oversight

A. Prepare for and hold three RRT meetings. Continue rotating locations of meetings in different region V States.

(Ongoing) Responsibility: U.S. EPA and Coast Guard with support from Management Staff.

B. Participate in a Joint Response Team meeting with U.S. and Canadian Coast Guard.

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Responsibility: U.S. Coast Guard and Management Staff.

Target Date: July 1993

C. Prepare RRT semi-annual reports.

Responsibility: U.S. EPA and Coast Guard with input from Management

Staff.

Target Date: April 15 and October 15, 1993

D. Prepare FY 94 work plan.

Responsibility: DOI (lead) and Management Staff.

Target Date: 4th Quarter

E. Maintain and distribute update RRT membership roster as needed.

Responsibility: U.S. EPA

RRT Management Staff members:

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

U.S. Coast Guard

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Federal Emergency Management Agency
Occupational Safety and Health Administration
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

U.S. Department of the Interior