



Georgia Industry Environmental Coalition

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TO: Board of Directors

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SUBJECT: Report to the Board: RCRA Highlights

Definition of Solid Waste (DSW) - EPA expects to take action on the DSW rule in the Fall of 2006 by either finalizing the rule or by issuing a revised proposal.

Financial Assurance - EPA is currently evaluating the financial assurance requirements as well as the use of the financial test for financial assurance.

Manifest - A new hazardous waste manifest has been issued by EPA. The revisions are intended to:

- Standardize the content and appearance of the manifest form and continuation sheet (Forms 8700-22 and 22a);
- Make the forms available from a greater number of sources; and
- Adopt new procedures for tracking certain types of waste shipments with the manifest. These types of shipments include hazardous wastes that destination facilities reject, wastes consisting of residues from non-empty hazardous waste containers, and wastes entering or leaving the United States.

There will be an 18-month transition to the new form. During this 18-month period, handlers and states will only use the old form. They will continue to acquire the old forms from the sources they use now. After **September 5, 2006**, only the new manifest form and requirements established under this final rule will be valid and acceptable for use. States requested this approach so that they could prepare their regulations and data bases for the changes introduced by the new form, and to use up the old forms.

You will be able to obtain new forms from any source that has registered with EPA to print and distribute the form. EPA will not distribute forms; rather, the Agency will oversee the printing requirements and ensure that registered printers follow them. EPA will maintain a list of entities that have been approved to print/distribute the form, so that you can acquire the forms from one of the approved printers. States may also register to print the new form, but State rules cannot establish the state as the exclusive source of forms. You will be able to use a manifest from any registered source.