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SUBJECT: PCB MANIFEST RELIEF A.K.A., WHEN IS A PCB MANIFEST NOT REQUIRED?

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TWO MINUTE TRAINING

SUBJECT: PCB Manifest Relief a.k.a., When is a PCB Manifest Not Required?

- **Q:** When is a PCB generator not required to offer a PCB manifest to a transporter?
- A: Per 40 CFR 761.211, "Manifest system-Transporter requirements", it basically states:

A transporter shall not accept PCB waste from a generator unless it is accompanied by a manifest signed by the generator, except that a manifest is not required if:

- 1. The shipment of PCB waste consists solely of PCB wastes with PCB concentrations below 50 ppm, unless the PCB concentration below 50 ppm was the result of dilution, in which case the PCB waste must be managed as if it contained the original concentration prior to dilution, or;
- 2. The PCB waste is accepted by the transporter for transport only to a storage or disposal facility owned or operated by the generator of the PCB waste.

If the PCB waste is less than 50 ppm, and not the result of dilution, it is not subject to TSCA and therefore a PCB manifest is not required. If the PCB waste is being transported to a storage or disposal facility owned by the generator, the generator is retaining control of the PCB waste and therefore a PCB manifest is not required.

The above interpretation on PCB generators transporting PCB waste to their own storage or disposal facilities was confirmed in the December 21, 1989, Federal Register on page 52728, which states:

"A manifest need not accompany the shipment via transport vehicle of PCB wastes to a storage or disposal facility owned or operated by the end user of PCBs and PCB Items, because these generators have not yet relinquished control over the PCB waste."

Furthermore, the 1994 EPA-TSCA "PCB Questions and Answers Manual (still valid) states on page XIX-5:

- Q6: If a generator owns two storage facilities which have different EPA identification numbers and ships PCB waste from one facility to another for purposes of consolidation, must the waste be manifested?
- A6: No. The PCB waste has not left the generator's control and, therefore, need not be manifested at this time."

SUMMARY:

- A PCB manifest is required for PCB waste regulated by TSCA.
- If PCB waste is <50 ppm and not due to dilution, a PCB Manifest is not required.
- If the PCB waste is being transported from a generator's site to a storage or disposal facility owned by the generator, a PCB Manifest is also not required.

Nothing is attached to the e-mail. If you have any questions, contact me at Paul W Martin@rl.gov or at (509) 376-6620.

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