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QUESTIONS AND REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION FROM INSTALLATIONS

Following are a list of questions and requests *for* information we will be discussing with you during our visit to your installation. We would like written answers to the questions and the information at the time of our visit. Those that cannot be completed by then can be provided within two weeks of our visit.

We also would like (1) a briefing on the installation's roles and missions (limit to no more than 15 minutes), (2) copies of all briefing charts for each HAC S&I team member visiting before the briefing(s), and (3) to visit contaminated sites.

QUESTIONS

1. How is the installation organized to carry out its responsibilities for the Defense Environmental Restoration Program (DERP) and for other environmental responsibilities, such as compliance?
2. what policies does the installation follow for managing its environmental restoration and compliance programs?

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3. Is the installation adequately staffed to carry out its environmental responsibilities?
4. How many contaminated sites are there on the installation and in the DERP?
5. How does the installation define site and where does the definition come from?
6. When was the site(s) included in DERP?
7. When was the installation put on EPA's National Priorities List (if applicable)?
 - a. Has inclusion on the NPL expedited or hindered actual cleanup of the contaminated site(s)?
8. How is the installation's relationship with EPA and what oversight or monitoring does it provide?
10. How is the installation's relationship with the State environmental agency and what oversight or monitoring does it provide?

11. What oversight or monitoring of the installation's environmental restoration or compliance is done by its major command (identify major command)?
12. What environmental management and financial management information systems does the installation use and for what purposes are they used?
13. How useful are the following to the installation:
 - A. The DERP Management Information System?
 - B. The A-106 Reporting System?
 - C. The Defense Priority Model?
14. Does the installation have any rapid and safe cleanup plans to expedite disposal of the property (If the Installation is on the base closure lists)?
15. Is the installation identifying, funding, and correcting all Class I compliance problems? If not, why not (explain)?
16. Is the installation obligating and spending all of its environmental restoration and compliance funds for these purposes? If not, why not (explain)?

17. What controls are in place to ensure that environmental restoration and compliance funds are spent for these purposes?
18. How does the installation oversee and monitor contractor performance?
19. Are the contractors performing environmental restoration and compliance work at the installation doing a good job and providing the services and quality products they are paid to do?
20. Have there been any major problems with the contractors or their performance? If so, identify the contractor(s) and the problems.
21. What input does the installation have into the decisions regarding how much has to be cleaned up and at what cost?

INFORMATION

1. Provide a listing showing each site with a general description of its size, contamination, when it was identified and included in DERP, how much of the site has

actually been cleaned up, the cleanup cost, when cleanup will be completed and the estimated cost?

2. Provide for each site the beginning date, completion date, the cost and the name of the contractor(s) for all of the Preliminary Assessment, Site Inspection, Remedial Investigation, Feasibility Study, Remedial Design, and Remedial Action.
3. Provide a listing of all funds required, received, obligated, and expended for all environmental restorations and compliance programs by program and by source of funds, i.e., appropriation account, for the past 4 fiscal years, including FY 1991 (when available).