

PUBLIC NOTICE

US EPA BEGINS FOURTH FIVE-YEAR REVIEW of the SUPERFUND CLEANUP at the LACKAWANNA REFUSE SITE

EPA is conducting a fourth **Five-Year Review** of the **Lackawanna Refuse Superfund Site** located in Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania, between the Borough of Old Forge and Ransom Township. This site was removed from the National Priorities List, a list of the nation's most hazardous waste sites, in September 1999. Maintenance of the cover installed over the landfill to reduce infiltration of precipitation and groundwater monitoring continues. The review will determine whether EPA's remedy continues to be effective.

What is a Five-year Review? It is a protective measure required by law to ensure that EPA cleanup actions are protective of human health and the environment. The review includes physically inspecting the site and any cleanup technologies that are in place and examining collected monitoring data and maintenance records. This entire process is repeated every five years.

Why is a Five-year Review being done for this site? The Five-year Review will determine whether the cap installed at the site is performing as expected and remains in good condition. The review will also verify whether concentrations of site-related contaminants are changing. It will also determine whether the completed site work is meeting the goals of EPA's cleanup decision for the site. Upon completion of the review, a report will be compiled and made available to the public.

To review the 5-Year Review Report and other site-related files: The Administrative Record for the Site, which includes all reports and documents used for selecting the cleanup plan, is available for public review on the internet at: www.epa.gov/arweb or at:

US EPA - Public Reading Room, 6th Floor; 1650 Arch Street; Philadelphia, PA 19103
Attn: Anna Butch (3HS11) – (215) 814-3157 -- Hours: Mon. - Fri. 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Please call for an appointment

Look for the completed report online in July 2009.

PLEASE NOTE: For more information or to report concerns about the Site which may be helpful to the Five-year Review process, contact:

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