

RCRA, SUPERFUND & EPCRA CALL CENTER MONTHLY REPORT

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2. Off-Site Shipments of Hazardous Waste to Designated Facilities

A large automobile manufacturing corporation owns several factories nationwide, including five facilities that generate hazardous waste. These facilities typically generate more than 1000 kg of hazardous waste per calendar month and comply with the large quantity generator (LQG) standards in 40 CFR Part 262. All of these facilities accumulate their hazardous waste in containers for 90 days or less before sending it off site to a permitted treatment, storage, and disposal facility (TSDF). If one of the facilities has extra container storage space during one month, can it accept hazardous waste from one of the corporation's other facilities before shipping all of the waste to a permitted TSDF?

A generator cannot accept a shipment of hazardous waste from another company location, unless the receiving generator is a designated facility. A designated facility is defined as any hazardous waste TSDF which has received a permit or interim status or a recycling facility that is regulated under Section 261.6(c)(2) or Part 266, Subpart F (Section 260.10). A generator that is subject to the requirements in Part 262 must prepare a hazardous waste manifest for any off-site shipment of hazardous waste. On that manifest, the generator must designate a facility that is permitted to handle its hazardous waste (Section 262.20(b)). Thus, once a generator sends hazardous waste off site, it must be destined for a designated facility. In this example, the generator cannot accept additional hazardous waste from off site because it does not meet the definition of designated facility.

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