

QUESTION: What RCRA regulations apply to Department of Energy facilities?

ANSWER: On February 22, 1984, EPA and the Department of Energy (DOE) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for Hazardous Waste and Mixed Waste Management. According to this MOU, DOE facilities must comply with Part 262 (generator), Part 263 (transporter) and Part 265 (treatment, storage, and disposal) standards. All these standards, as they apply to DOE facilities, are subject to modification by EPA – DOE agreement. The Part 265 standards will apply to each DOE facility until EPA issues each facility a Hazardous Waste Compliance Plan. Compliance Plans are based on the permitting standards, and are issued in lieu of a RCRA permit. Contact Tony Baney (382-4131) for further details.