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The Chemical Manufacturers Association set up the Chemical Transportation Emergency Center (CHEMTREC) to provide immediate assistance to those at the scene of accident, 24 hours a day, seven days a week. CHEMTREC maintains an online database on the chemical, physical, and toxicological properties and health effects of the thousands of products of the member companies. CHEMTREC operates in two stages: first, staff provide chemical information for use in onsite decision making involving handling the early stages of the problem and, second, notifies the manufacturer of the product of the accident for more detailed information and appropriate follow-up.

CHEMNET is activated by a call to CHEMTREC. If a member shipper cannot respond promptly to an incident and a chemical expert is required at a site, then the shipper can authorize a CHEMNET-contracted emergency response company to go in its place.

CHLOREP: Emergency contact through CHEMTREC above.
Contact: Chlorine Institute
342 Madison Avenue
New York, NY 10017.

The Chlorine Institute in 1972 established its Chlorine Emergency Plan (CHLOREP), a mutual-aid response network of chlorine manufacturers and packagers, to provide assistance at chlorine emergencies in the United States and Canada through telephone instructions to on-scene personnel or the dispatching of trained teams to sites. Response is activated by a call to CHEMTREC which in turn calls the designated CHLOREP contact, who notifies the appropriate team leader based upon CHLOREP's geographical sector team assignments.

CAER: Community Awareness and Emergency Response information line. This is a 2 minute recorded message informing callers of upcoming events related to coordinated emergency response planning. The CAER information number is (202) 463-1599 and is updated twice a month.

To submit an event to be publicized, send the materials to:

Todd Miller CMA Communications Dept. 2501 M Street, NW Washington, DC 20037

The Center for Fire Research in the National Bureau of Standards has established a public access computer bulletin board.

Contact: Doug Walton System Operator

U(301) 975-6872

Information on the bulletin board includes:

- A listing of the most recent reports from the Center for Fire Research;
- Information on upcoming activities at the Center for Fire Research such as conferences, seminars and workshops; and
- Information on FIREDOC, the Center's fire research bibliographic system.

FEDERAL AND STATE AGENCY ONLINE DATABASES

The Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response (OSWER) bulletin board is intended to store communications and technology transfer among the Regions and with Headquarters staff involved in solid or hazardous waste regulation, permitting, or enforcement and with ORD scientists and engineers in Headquarters and laboratories who are supporting OSWER. The OWSER is operated under contract to the Office of Program Management Technology (OPMT). The OSWER BBS offers messages, bulletins, files and computer programs, databases, and conferences. Bulletins include OSWER technical training opportunities and ORD technology transfer seminars nationwide, new ORD technical publications, the top 25 compounds found at Superfund Sites, and the current status of the SITE technology demonstrations. Conferences include: Executive (for EPA managers only), Ground-Water Workstation, Ground-Water Monitoring and Remediation, Risk Management/Assessment, and Expert Systems/Geographic Information Systems. The BBS is primarily intended for EPA Regional, Headquarters, and ORD personnel, however, OSWER welcomes state and local government agencies and authorized EPA contractors. The BBS telephone number is (301) 589-8366, the voice line is (301) 589-8368.

The Hazardous Materials Information Systems (HMIS) offers two menu-driven programs to assist state, local and Federal agencies. The US Department of Transportation (DOT), Research and Special Programs Administration's (RSPA) project offers quick access to both exemptions information and informal interpretations. The exemptions menu provides access to the following: exemption numbers, exemption holders, expiration dates, container type and DOT specification, hazardous material, shipping name and class, and regulations affected. The