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FYI

Compliance Cleanup Project Visit Announcement

This is being resent as a reminder of the on-going Compliance Cleanup Project Visit.

Installation RPMs,

The Draft Defense Environmental Restoration Program (DERP) Manual (Office of the Deputy Under Secretary of Defense 2008) will implement a new "One Cleanup" approach that allows ERA funding to be used for post-1986 releases that meet eligibility criteria. The Draft DERP Manual requires that all compliance clean-up sites eligible for Defense Environmental Restoration Account (DERA) funding be inventoried and loaded into a central database no later than 30 September 2009. As such, compliance clean-up site inventories require updating, review, and evaluation to determine DERA eligibility. ERA funding of former compliance sites WILL NOT TAKE EFFECT UNTIL FY 2011.

We have retained URS Group, Inc. (URS), through the United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Tulsa District, to evaluate current and potential compliance clean-up sites to determine DERA eligibility. The objectives of this project are to:

- Verify and update the Air Force's inventory of current and potential compliance clean-up sites
- Conduct limited environmental sampling and analysis to determine if a release has occurred, if needed
- Evaluate the Air Force's inventory of current and potential compliance clean-up sites to identify sites that are DERA eligible
- Recommend validation of sites for DERA eligibility
- Populate an Air Force database with the site data (EESOH-MIS)

In support of this project, URS has been provided information on current compliance site inventories and will be conducting a site visit at your installation in Jan or Feb 09. Site visit activities will include a records review, including database records; interviews with appropriate installation personnel; and site reconnaissance of select sites. Site visit activities and the decision logic used to determine if a release has occurred will be documented in a Site Visit Letter Report. The Draft Site Visit Letter Report will be transmitted to you for review and comment prior to preparing the final report.

A representative from URS will contact you in the near future to explain the site visit goals and objectives, describe potential information requirements while on-site, propose a range of dates to complete the site visits, and answer any questions or concerns you may have.

If site visit activities indicate that there is a lack of information to support whether a potential release has occurred, focused sampling and analysis will be completed to determine if a contaminant release has occurred. A Recommendation for Sampling and Analysis Technical Memorandum will be prepared presenting the recommended field activities.

This technical memorandum will be submitted to you, concurrent with the R-PMO and the Tulsa District, for review and comment prior to approval of recommended field activities. Sampling and analysis activities are scheduled to be completed between 9 Mar 09 and 12 May 09.

Upon completion of site visit and sampling and analysis activities (if any), an Evaluation Report will be prepared. The Evaluation Report will evaluate the Air Force's inventory of compliance clean-up sites, identify sites that are DERA eligible, and recommend validation of sites that will require a remedial response action. A Draft Evaluation Report will be submitted to you, concurrent with the R-PMO and the Tulsa District, for review and comment prior to preparation of the final report.

After sites recommended for validation have been approved by the R-PMO, the site data will be uploaded into the EESOH-MIS Cleanup module.

This project is vital to ensure that the AF inventories these sites and validates them in accordance with DERP requirements. Your assistance in ensuring that this effort is a success is appreciated.

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