e-Manifest Monthly Update August 2017

Coming Soon: Meeting Materials for e-Manifest Advisory Board Meeting

EPA will convene the Hazardous Waste Electronic Manifest System ("e-Manifest") Advisory Board to hold its second public meeting. The meeting will be held on **September 26-28, 2017**, at the Environmental Protection Agency Conference Center, Lobby Level, One Potomac Yard (South Bldg.), 2777 S. Crystal Dr., Arlington, VA 22202. The meeting theme will be *"Implementing e-Manifest: User Registration and Account Activation."* The purpose of the meeting is to address critical e-Manifest user registration and account activation issues that need resolution prior to the launch of the e-Manifest system.

EPA anticipates that the background materials for this meeting will be available within the next few days in the public docket (Docket no. <u>EPA-HQ-OLEM-2017-0368</u>). This meeting will provide an opportunity for public comment. For further information, (i.e. how to participate in the public comment period) please refer to the <u>Federal Register</u> notice announcing this meeting. You may also please contact, Fred Jenkins, Designated Federal Officer (DFO) of the e-Manifest Advisory Board, via phone at 703-308-7049 or by e-mail: <u>jenkins.fred@epa.gov</u>.

Next e-Manifest Webinar in October 2017

EPA plans to host the next e-Manifest webinar on **October 25, 2017, from 2:00 -3:00, EST**. There will be no e-Manifest webinars during the months of August or September.

This webinar will provide an update on e-Manifest, including progress on system and policy development. It's also an opportunity to ask questions of the e-Manifest team.

For information on access or services for individuals with disabilities, and to request accommodation of a disability, please send an email to <u>eManifest@epa.gov</u> six days prior to the meeting to give EPA as much time as possible to process your request.

e-Manifest System Development

EPA's e-Manifest team continued to work on Release 2.0 of e-Manifest, due to be completed and made publicly available in the winter of 2018. Release 2.0 will provide users an opportunity to test and to provide EPA feedback on its latest enhancements to the system. This upcoming release focuses on the following key enhancement areas:

- 1. Capability to save and search for manifests
- 2. Providing users multiple electronic signature options
- 3. Integration with Pay.gov for billing/invoicing services
- 4. Working with state users to develop and enhance web application functionality
- 5. Additional changes to Release 1.0 and 2.0 based on user feedback and needs

For information about testing, see https://github.com/USEPA/e-manifest.

e-Manifest User Fee Rule

The Agency transmitted the draft User Fee Final Rule to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) on August 10, 2017. OMB has 90 days to conduct interagency review of the rule under Executive Order 12866. EPA is on schedule to publish the rulemaking in December 2017.

e-Manifest Implementation

ORCR continues to work with Regions and states on preparing for the June 2018 launch of e-Manifest. Recent activities include confirming state-only hazardous waste codes to be used in e-Manifest as well as planning for user registration, which will be the focus of the September 26-28, 2017, e-Manifest Advisory Board meeting.

e-Manifest Stakeholder Meetings

On August 15-17, 2017, the e-Manifest team made a presentation at the Association of State and Territorial Solid Waste Management Officials (ASTSWMO) at the Joint Hazardous Waste & Materials Management Training Conference in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. The presentation focused on the implementation of e-Manifest and the path forward towards system launch.

The e-Manifest team will also be conducting an informational session at the 2017 RCRAInfo National Users Conference August 28 – September 1, 2017 in Chicago, IL. This session will discuss the implementation of the electronic manifest system (e-Manifest) including the RCRAInfo Industry Application, paper processing, and hybrid solutions.

For more information about e-Manifest please:

- Submit input/questions to eManifest@epa.gov
- Subscribe to the general interest e-Manifest ListServ send a blank message to: eManifest-subscribe@lists.epa.gov
- Subscribe to the development-focused e-Manifest ListServ, send a blank email to: e-ManifestDev-subscribe@lists.epa.gov.
- Visit EPA's Manifest Program webpage at: https://www.epa.gov/hwgenerators/hazardouswaste-electronic-manifest- system-e-manifest
- Track the progress of e-Manifest at: https://github.com/USEPA/e-manifest/