e-Manifest Monthly Update October 2017

e-Manifest Advisory Board Public Meeting September 26-28, 2017

On September 26-28, 2017, EPA convened the Hazardous Waste Electronic Manifest System ("e-Manifest") Advisory Board to hold its second public meeting at the Environmental Protection Agency Conference Center in Arlington, VA. The meeting theme was "Implementing e-Manifest: User Registration and Account Activation." The purpose of the meeting was to address critical e-Manifest user registration and account activation issues that need resolution prior to the launch of the e-Manifest system. All meeting materials (e.g., charge questions, background document, agenda, and all other EPA materials) are available in the e-docket (Docket no. EPA-HQ-OLEM-2017-0368). The meeting minutes will be available by late December 2017.

For further information about the e-Manifest Advisory Board please contact, Fred Jenkins, Designated Federal Officer (DFO) of the e-Manifest Advisory Board, via phone at 703-308-7049 or by e-mail: jenkins.fred@epa.gov.

e-Manifest Webinar in October 25, 2017

On October 25, 2017, EPA conducted a public e-Manifest webinar. The webinar provided e-Manifest updates regarding regulatory and system development progress. The e-Manifest webinar slide presentation will be available soon at: www.epa.gov/e-manifest.

The <u>next e-Manifest public webinar</u> is scheduled for November 29, 2017, at 2:00 PM (EST). 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 adequate time to process your request.

e-Manifest Implementation Update

The EPA Regional e-Manifest Implementation work group met in September to discuss how to communicate with state-only hazardous waste receiving facilities regarding their new obligations under the federal e-Manifest program, which include submitting manifests to EPA and incurring user fees for submission. These facilities will also be expected to register for the e-Manifest system to submit manifests electronically to EPA.

System Development

EPA is on track to complete e-Manifest Release 2.0 in January 2018. This version will also incorporate input from extensive user testing of the system. Key features of Release 2.0 include the capability to:

- Save and search for manifests
- Evaluate electronic signature options
- Integrate with Pay.gov for billing/invoicing services
- Work with state users to develop and enhance web application functionality
- Incorporate additional changes and enhancements based on user feedback and needs

e-Manifest User Fee Rule

EPA remains on track for issuing the e-Manifest User Fee Final Rule in December 2017. The draft final rule is now with the Office of Management and Budget for interagency review under Executive Order 12866.

e-Manifest Stakeholder Meetings and Workshops

On October 26-27, 2017, the e-Manifest team conducted a presentation at the Association of State and Territorial Solid Waste Management Officials (ASTSWMO) annual meeting in Arlington, VA. The presentation focused on e-Manifest user registration in preparation for the anticipated June 2018 launch of the e-Manifest system.

EPA will hold two e-Manifest Application Programing Interface (API) workshops for hazardous waste receiving facilities on November 13, 2017, and November 30, 2017. These workshops provide an opportunity for interested companies in the hazardous waste industry to learn how to successfully interface their hazardous waste electronic systems with EPA's e-Manifest system when it launches in June 2018. Further information about the workshops will be announced via the e-Manifest ListServ by Friday, November 3, 2017.

For more information about e-Manifest:

- 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: www.epa.gov/e-manifest
- Track the progress of e-Manifest at: https://github.com/USEPA/e-manifest/