## Summary of EPCRA Regulations and Stakeholder Responsibilities

The two charts below summarize EPCRA regulations and each stakeholder’s responsibilities.

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<td><strong>Emergency Planning Notification</strong></td>
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<td>Emergency Release notification</td>
<td>MSDSs or Lists of Hazardous Chemicals identifying their hazards</td>
<td>Tier I and/or Tier II (Annual reporting of hazardous chemical inventory)</td>
<td>Toxic Chemical Release Inventory</td>
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<td><strong>Chemicals Covered</strong></td>
<td>355 extremely hazardous substances (EHSs)</td>
<td>&gt;1,000 substances</td>
<td>Approximately 800,000 hazardous chemicals/products/mixtures</td>
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<td>&gt;800 toxic chemicals and categories</td>
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<td><strong>Applicable Chemicals and Quantities</strong></td>
<td>EHSs at or above their threshold planning quantity (TPQ)</td>
<td>Releases of any EHSs and CERCLA hazardous substances at or above their reportable quantity</td>
<td>500 pounds or the TPQ, whichever is lower, for EHSs; 10,000 pounds for all other hazardous chemicals except gasoline (75,000 gallons) and diesel (100,000 gallons) at retail gas stations</td>
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<td>25,000 pounds manufactured or processed in a year; 10,000 pounds otherwise used in a year; chemicals of special concern have lower thresholds</td>
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<td><strong>How to Notify and When</strong></td>
<td>Within 60 days of acquiring any EHSs on site</td>
<td>Immediately by phone; follow-up report as soon as practicable (30 days or less)</td>
<td>MSDS or list of chemicals within three months on site</td>
<td>Tier II or State-equivalent inventory report annually by March 1</td>
<td>Annually by July 1</td>
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<td><strong>Whom to Notify</strong></td>
<td>SERC or TERC and LEPC or TEPC</td>
<td>SERC or TERC and LEPC or TEPC or any notification system established by the state or local agency*</td>
<td>SERC or TERC, LEPC or TEPC, and fire department with jurisdiction over facility</td>
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<td>EPA and state or tribe</td>
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*CERCLA requires reporting to the National Response Center (NRC) for these releases.

Figure 28. Summary of EPCRA provisions, chemicals covered, reporting thresholds and deadlines under EPCRA.
**FACILITIES**

- Report all EHSs on site to SERC (or TERC), LEPC (or TEPC) for emergency planning purposes
- Notify of releases and submit follow up written reports to SERC (or TERC) and LEPC (or TEPC)
- Report all OSHA hazardous chemicals including EHSs on site to SERC (or TERC), LEPC (or TEPC) and local fire department
- Submit Toxic Chemical Release Inventory (Form R, Form A, Schedule 1) to state (or tribe) and EPA

**LEPCs and TEPCs**

- Develop and/or update emergency response plan (ERP); conduct ERP exercises
- Discuss ERP with citizens in the community
- Manage information submitted by facilities on OSHA hazardous chemicals including EHSs
- Set up procedures and processes for receiving and processing requests from the public
- Provide information to the public

**SERCs and TERCs**

- Review ERPs
- Supervise and coordinate activities of LEPCs and TEPCs
- Set up procedures and processes for receiving and processing requests from the public
- Manage information on OSHA hazardous chemicals including EHSs

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**Figure 29. Stakeholder responsibilities under EPCRA.**