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White Paper: Superfund 2017 – Cleanup Accomplishments and the Challenges Ahead

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A white paper has been issued addressing the remediation aspects of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act ("CERCLA") or "Superfund" program.

The white paper is authored by Katherine N. Probst and is titled:

Superfund 2017 - Cleanup Accomplishments and the Challenges Ahead ("White Paper")

The author states that the *White Paper* was commissioned by the American Council of Engineering Companies. She notes:

In the summer of 2016, members of the ACEC Superfund Study Work Group decided they wanted to fund an independent white paper on the status of the Superfund remedial program and contacted me to see if I would be willing to undertake such a project. By contract, I was assured that I would have complete independence regarding the paper.

The purpose of the *White Paper* is described as providing information on:

- The overall progress of the Superfund remedial program
- The number and types of CERCLA National Priority List ("NPL") sites added since FY 2000
- Key measures of program success
- Program funding

The focus of the White Paper is only NPL sites that are non-federal (from FY 2000 through FY 2006).

Sections of the White Paper include:

- Superfund Remedial Program Overview
- Superfund Snapshot: Status of Non-Federal NPL Sites at the End of FY 2016
- Trends in NPL Listing
- Cleanup Progress Over Time
- Funding Over Time
- Conclusions and Recommendations

Appendices include:

- Deflator Source and Factors Used to Convert Nominal 1999 through 2015 Dollars to Constant 2016 Dollars
- U.S. EPA Matrix of Site Type Categories



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- Comparison of Different Types of Manufacturing Sites Added to the NPL Over Time by Percentage of Sites Listed
- Non-Federal Sites Added to the NPL by Type Comparison Over Time by Percentage

The Association of State and Territorial Solid Waste Management Officials has placed the *White Paper* on its website and it can be found here.