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defense nuclear facilities to ensure adequate protection of public health and safety. In the event that any aspect of operations, practices, or occurrences reviewed by the Board is determined to present an imminent or severe threat to public health and safety, the Board transmits its recommendations directly to the President.

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[For the Environmental Protection Agency statement of organization, see the *Code of Federal Regulations,* Title 40, Part 1]

The mission of the Environmental Protection Agency is to protect human health and to safeguard the natural environment—air, water, and land—upon which life depends.

The Environmental Protection Agency was established in the executive branch as an independent agency pursuant to Reorganization Plan No. 3 of 1970 (5 U.S.C. app.), effective December 2, 1970. It was created to permit coordinated and effective governmental action on behalf of the environment. The Agency is designed to serve as the public's advocate for a livable environment.

Activities

Office of Homeland Security EPA's homeland security responsibilities include Federal leadership for some activities and significant involvement for others. EPA serves as the lead Federal agency charged with protection of the Nation's water infrastructure from terrorist attack, cleanup of any biological or chemical attacks, and reduction of national chemical industry and hazardous materials sector critical infrastructure vulnerabilities. EPA also has significant responsibilities in certain radiological attacks.

Additional information about EPA's homeland security efforts as well as its goals—critical infrastructure protection; preparedness, response, and recovery; communication and information; and protection of EPA personnel and infrastructure—is available on EPA's Web site.

For further information, call 202–564–6978.

Air and Radiation The Office of Air and Radiation activities of the Agency include the following:

—developing national programs, policies, regulations, and standards for air quality, emission standards for stationary and mobile sources, and emission standards for hazardous air pollutants;

—conducting research and providing information on indoor air pollutants to the public;

—providing technical direction, support, and evaluation of regional air activities;

—providing training in the field of air pollution control;

—providing technical assistance to States and agencies having radiation protection programs, including radon mitigation programs and a national surveillance and inspection program for measuring radiation levels in the environment; and

—providing technical support and policy direction to international efforts to reduce global and transboundary air pollution and its effects.

For further information, call 202–564–7400.

Water The Agency's water quality activities represent a coordinated effort to keep the Nation's waters clean and safe for fishing, swimming, and drinking, including the following:

—development of national programs, technical policies, and regulations for water pollution control and water supply;

—ground water and drinking water source protection;

—marine and estuarine protection;

—control of polluted runoff;

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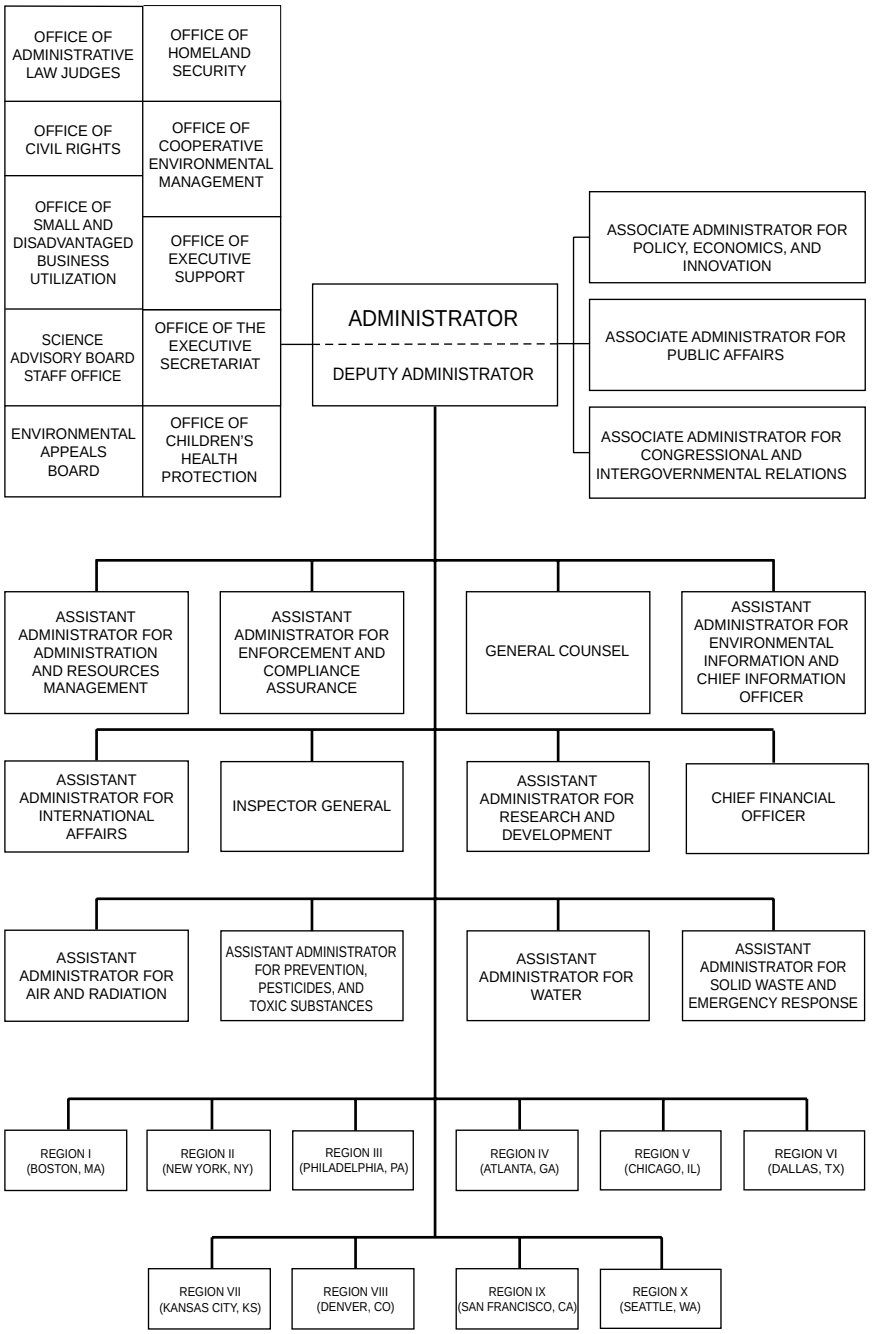

—water quality standards and effluent guidelines development;

—support of regional water activities;

—development of programs for technical assistance and technology transfer; and

—training in the field of water quality.

For further information, call 202–564–5700.

Solid Waste and Emergency Response The Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response provides policy, guidance, and direction for the Agency's hazardous waste and emergency response programs, including these tasks:

—development of policies, standards, and regulations for hazardous waste treatment, storage, and disposal;

—national management of the Superfund toxic waste cleanup program;

—development of guidelines for the emergency preparedness and community right-to-know programs;

—implementation of the brownfields program;

—management of environmental justice/public participation programs related to all waste programs;

—development of guidelines and standards for the land disposal of hazardous wastes and for underground storage tanks;

—analysis of technologies and methods for the recovery of useful energy from solid waste;

—economic impact assessment of RCRA and CERCLA regulations;

—coordination with the Department of Defense on base closure environmental issues; and

—technical assistance in the development, management, and operation of waste management activities, including technical assistance to Federal facilities.

For further information, call 202–566–0200.

Prevention, Pesticides, and Toxic Substances The Office of Prevention, Pesticides, and Toxic Substances is responsible for the following tasks:

—promoting the public's right to know about industrial chemicals;

—promoting pollution prevention through innovative strategies;

—evaluating and regulating pesticides and industrial chemicals to safeguard all Americans;

—reviewing and regulating emerging technology, including biotechnology-derived products;

—developing, evaluating, and implementing science policies both domestically and internationally;

—establishing safe levels for pesticide residues on food;

—developing national strategies for control of persistent, bioaccumulative, and toxic substances;

—developing scientific criteria for assessing chemical substances, standards for test protocols for chemicals, rules and procedures for industry reporting, and scientific information for the regulation of pesticides and toxic chemicals to ensure protection of people or the environment; and

—evaluating and assessing the impact of existing chemicals, new chemicals, and chemicals with new uses to determine the hazard and develop appropriate restrictions.

The Office also coordinates its activities with States and other agencies during the assessment and control of toxic substances and pesticides.

For further information, call 202–564–2902.

Research and Development The Office of Research and Development (ORD) provides the scientific foundation for the Agency's environmental protection mission. ORD's chief role is to conduct and support high quality research targeted to understanding and resolving the Nation's most serious environmental threats. In addition, ORD develops methods and technologies to reduce exposures to pollution and prevent its creation. The Office is also a major player in sharing information on technological innovations to protect people and the environment. ORD prepares health and ecological risk assessments and makes recommendations for sound risk management strategies in order to assure that highest risk pollution problems receive optimum remediation. The Office manages a vital extramural grants program entitled Science To Achieve

Results (STAR), which awards research grants to scientists in universities and students in environmental science. All ORD extramural and intramural research is carefully aligned to support Agency environmental goals and strategic priorities.

For further information, call 202–564–6620.

Enforcement and Compliance Assurance The Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance (OECA) is the lead agency office for matters pertaining to the Agency's enforcement and compliance assurance programs. OECA manages a national criminal enforcement, forensics, and training program. OECA also manages the Agency's regulatory, site remediation, and Federal facilities enforcement and compliance assurance programs, as well as the Agency's environmental justice program, and Federal activities program responsibilities under the National Environmental Policy Act.

Regional Offices

The Agency's 10 regional offices represent its commitment to the development of strong local programs for pollution abatement. The Regional Administrators are responsible for accomplishing, within their regions, the national program objectives established by the Agency. They develop, propose, and implement an approved regional program for comprehensive and integrated environmental protection activities.

Regional Offices—Environmental Protection Agency

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Contracts and Procurement Office of Acquisition Management. Phone, 202–564–4310.

Employment Office of Human Resources and Organizational Services. Phone, 202–564–3300.

Freedom of Information Act Requests Freedom of Information Officer. Phone, 202–566–1667. E-mail, hq.foia@epamail.epa.gov.

Information Resources EPA Headquarters Information Resources Center. Phone, 202–260–5922.

Telephone Directory Available for sale by the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, P.O. Box 37194, Pittsburgh, PA 15250–7954.

For further information, contact the Office of Public Affairs, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20460–0001. Phone, 202–564–4355. Internet, www.epa.gov.