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- (i) Investigate and provide responses to all citizen complaints submitted pursuant to the procedures specified in 40 CFR 123.26(b)(4);
- (ii) Not oppose intervention by any citizen in any civil or administrative proceeding when permissive intervention may be authorized by statute, rule, or regulation; and
- (iii) Publish notice of and provide at least 30 days for public comment on any proposed settlement of a State enforcement action.
- (e) Indian Tribes that cannot satisfy the criminal enforcement authority requirements of this section may still be approved under this part if they meet the requirements established in §501.25.

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§501.18 Prohibition.

State permit programs shall provide that no permit shall be issued when the Regional Administrator has objected in writing under 40 CFR 123.44.

§ 501.19 Sharing of information.

State sludge management programs shall comply with the requirements of 40 CFR 123.41.

§ 501.20 Receipt and use of federal information.

State sludge management programs shall comply with 40 CFR 123.42.

§501.21 Program reporting to EPA.

The State Program Director must prepare annual reports as detailed in this section and must submit any reports required under this section to the Regional Administrator. These reports will serve as the main vehicle for the State to report on the status of its sludge management program, update its inventory of sewage sludge generators and sludge disposal facilities, and provide information on incidents of noncompliance. The State Program Director must submit these reports to the Regional Administrator according to a mutually agreed-upon schedule. The reports specified below may be combined with other reports to EPA (e.g., existing NPDES or RCRA reporting systems) where appropriate and must include the following:

- (a) A summary of the incidents of noncompliance which occurred in the previous year that includes:
- (1) The non-complying facilities by name and reference number;
- (2) The type of noncompliance, a brief description and date(s) of the event;
- (3) The date(s) and a brief description of the action(s) taken to ensure timely and appropriate action to achieve compliance:
- (4) Status of the incident(s) of noncompliance with the date of resolution;
- (5) Any details which tend to explain or mitigate the incident(s) of non-compliance.
- (b) Information to update the inventory of all sewage sludge generators and sewage sludge disposal facilities submitted with the program plan or in previous annual reports, including:
 - (1) Name and location;
- (2) Permit numbers for permits containing sewage sludge requirements:
- (3) Sludge management practice(s) used; and
- (4) Sludge production volume.

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§ 501.22 Requirements for eligibility of Indian Tribes.

- (a) Consistent with section 518(e) of the CWA, 33 U.S.C. 1377(e), the Regional Administrator will treat an Indian Tribe as eligible to apply for sludge management program authority if it meets the following criteria:
- (1) The Indian Tribe is recognized by the Secretary of the Interior.
- (2) The Indian Tribe has a governing body carrying out substantial governmental duties and powers.
- (3) The functions to be exercised by the Indian Tribe pertain to the management and protection of water resources which are held by an Indian Tribe, held by the United States in trust for the Indians, held by a member of an Indian Tribe if such property interest is subject to a trust restriction on alienation, or otherwise within the borders of an Indian reservation.
- (4) The Indian Tribe is reasonably expected to be capable, in the Regional Administrator's judgment, of carrying out the functions to be exercised, in a manner consistent with the terms and