

# The National Pollutant Release Inventory

## Are you required to report?

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#### What is the National Pollutant Release Inventory?

The NPRI is a federal government initiative, designed to collect annual, comprehensive, national data on releases to air, water, and land, and transfers for disposal or recycling of 246 specified substances. The NPRI data support a wide range of environmental initiatives, including toxic substance assessment, pollution prevention and abatement. NPRI data are accessible by the public and provide information on all sectors -- industrial, government, commercial and others. This information, including on-line reporting guides, is available on the world wide web at http://www.ec.gc.ca/pdb/npri/.

#### Who is required to report to the NPRI?

Any facility that meets the reporting criteria must submit a report. Facilities that currently report to the NPRI include, but are not limited to, those which operate in the following sectors:

Chemicals and chemical products, clothing and leather products, communication, construction, electronics, fishing, food and beverages, forestry, furniture and other wood products, government (all levels), heavy machinery, metal fabrication and welding, mining and mineral production, motor vehicles and parts, paper products, petroleum and natural gas, pharmaceuticals, plastics and plastic products, primary metals and metal products, primary textiles and textile products, printing, rubber products, shipbuilding, storage and warehousing, transportation equipment, utilities, waste management and recycling, and other manufacturing and service industries.

Facilities should re-evaluate annually whether they are required to report, since chemical usage may vary from year to year and changes may be made to the list of NPRI substances, or to the reporting criteria.

#### Is reporting to the NPRI a legal requirement?

#### YES.

A common misconception about the NPRI is that it is a voluntary program. This is NOT the case. The legal authority for the NPRI is subsection 16(1) of the Canadian Environmental Protection Act (CEPA). Under the authority of this section, the Minister of Environment publishes an annual notice in the Canada Gazette, Part I, describing the reporting criteria and requirements of the NPRI. The Notice for the 1999 NPRI was published on Feb 13, 1999.

The Canada Gazette is the official information bulletin of the federal government, including the registry of federal statutes and regulations in Canada. A copy of the Canada Gazette notice respecting the NPRI can be obtained from the NPRI office listed on the back page of this document.

The deadline for the 1999 reporting year is June 1, 2000.

Owners or operators of facilities who fail to submit a report, or file a false, misleading, or late report may be subject to penalties under sections 112 and 114 of CEPA. Enforcement of the NPRI notice is consistent with Environment Canada's Compliance and Enforcement Policy.

#### What are the reporting criteria?

In general, any person who owns or operates a facility is required to file a report if the facility meets ALL three of the following criteria for ANY listed NPRI substance:

- all employees worked a total of 20,000 hours or more during the 1999 calendar year, (including paid vacation and leave benefits), and
- the facility manufactured, processed or otherwise used 10 tonnes (10,000 kg) or more of an NPRI substance in 1999. and
- the NPRI substance was manufactured, processed or otherwise used at a concentration greater than or equal to 1% by weight, or the substance was produced as a byproduct (as defined on page 2). The total weight of byproducts, regardless of their concentration, must be included in the calculation of the 10-tonne threshold for each NPRI substance.

A common misconception about the NPRI is that facilities are not required to report if they do not release 10 tonnes of a NPRI substance. This is NOT the case. A facility which meets the reporting criteria for the manufacture, process, or other use of NPRI substances, must submit a report even if the total release or transfer is zero.

More information on how to calculate the reporting threshold is included in the NPRI reporting guide.

#### What is meant by ...

**Facility?** A "facility" includes all buildings, equipment, structures, or other stationary items that are located on a single site or on contiguous or adjacent sites and that are owned or operated by the same person and function as a single integrated site.

**Manufacture?** The term "manufacture" means to produce, prepare or compound an NPRI substance. The production of chlorine dioxide by a chemical plant is an example of manufacturing.

**Process?** The term "process" means the preparation of an NPRI substance, after its manufacture. Processing includes preparation of a NPRI substance with or without changes in physical state or chemical form. The term also applies to the processing of a mixture or formulation that contains an NPRI substance as one component. The use of chlorine to manufacture hypochloric acid is an example of processing of chlorine. The use of toluene and xylenes to blend paint solvent mixtures is an example of processing without changes in chemical form.

**Otherwise Use?** The term "otherwise use" encompasses any use of an NPRI substance that does not fall under the definitions of manufacture or process. This includes the use of the substance as a chemical processing aid, manufacturing aid or some other use. An example is the use of trichloroethylene in the maintenance of equipment used for manufacturing or processing.

**By-product?** A "by-product" is an NPRI substance that is **incidentally** manufactured, processed, or otherwise used at a facility. By-products must be included in the calculation of the 10 tonne threshold **regardless** of the concentration.

**Disposal?** "Disposal" refers to the transfer off site of material containing a NPRI substance(s) to a facility for treatment (i.e. stabilization) or waste management purposes (i.e. landfill site).

**Recycling?** "Recycling" refers to activities that involve the reuse or recovery of material containing a NPRI substance(s).

Further explanation and examples of these definitions are found in the NPRI reporting guide, or may be obtained by contacting the NPRI office listed on the back page.

#### What facilities are exempt from reporting?

Certain facilities are currently exempt from reporting to the NPRI. These are identified as facilities, or any part thereof, that are used **exclusively** for:

- · educating or training students
- research or testing
- the maintenance and repair of transportation vehicles, such as automobiles, trucks, locomotives, ships or aircraft
- the distribution, storage or retail sale of fuels
- the wholesale or retail sale of articles or products which contain NPRI substances.
- growing or managing renewable natural resources, such as fisheries, forestry and other agricultural activities up to and including the primary harvesting of that resource.
- mining activities up to and including primary crushing of ore.
- drilling or operating oil or gas wells up to and including primary extraction of raw material.

#### What are the NPRI substances?

NPRI substances are chosen through a consultation process by a multi-stakeholder committee. The committee is comprised of industrial, public and government organizations. **Seventy-three** new substances have been added to the 1999 substance list. Many substances on the list are categorized as toxins, carcinogens and ozone depleting substances.

The NPRI substances are listed below. Included is their Chemical Abstracts Service (CAS) registry numbers (where applicable). Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) include CAS numbers, and are an important source of information on the composition of purchased products.

#### Alphabetical Listing of the 1999 NPRI Substances

Name	CAS Nr.	Name	CAS Nr.	Name	CAS Nr.
Acetaldehyde	75-07-0	Benzyl chloride	100-44-7	C.I. Disperse Yellow 3	2832-40-8
Acetone	67-64-1	Biphenyl	92-52-4	C.I. Food Red 15	81-88-9
Acetonitrile	75-05-8	bis(2-Ethylhexyl) adipate	103-23-1	C.I. Solvent Orange 7	3118-97-6
Acetophenone	98-86-2	bis(2-Ethylhexyl) phthalate	117-81-7	C.I. Solvent Yellow 14	842-07-9
Acrylamide	79-06-1	► Boron trifluoride	7637-07-2	Cadmium <sup>f</sup>	*
Acrylic acid b	79-10-7	► Bromine	7726-95-6	Calcium cyanamide	156-62-7
Acrylonitrile	107-13-1	▶ 1-Bromo-2-chloroethane	107-04-0	▶ Calcium fluoride	7789-75-5
▶ Alkanes, C <sub>6-18</sub> , chloro	68920-70-7	Bromomethane	74-83-9	Carbon disulphide	75-15-0
▶ Alkanes, C <sub>10-13</sub> , chloro	85535-84-8	1,3-Butadiene	106-99-0	Carbon tetrachloride	56-23-5
Allyl alcohol	107-18-6	▶ 2-Butoxyethanol	111-76-2	Catechol	120-80-9
Allyl chloride	107-05-1	Butyl acrylate	141-32-2	► CFC-11	75-69-4
Aluminum <sup>c</sup>	7429-90-5	i-Butyl alcohol	78-83-1	► CFC-12	75-71-8
Aluminum oxide <sup>d</sup>	1344-28-1	n-Butyl alcohol	71-36-3	► CFC-13	75-72-9
Ammonia (total) <sup>e</sup>	*	sec-Butyl alcohol	78-92-2	► CFC-114	76-14-2
Aniline b	62-53-3	tert-Butyl alcohol	75-65-0	► CFC-115	76-15-3
Anthracene	120-12-7	Butyl benzyl phthalate	85-68-7	<ul><li>Chlorendic acid</li></ul>	115-28-6
Antimony <sup>f</sup>	*	1,2-Butylene oxide	106-88-7	Chlorine	7782-50-5
Arsenic <sup>†</sup>	*	Butyraldehyde	123-72-8	Chlorine dioxide	10049-04-4
Asbestos <sup>9</sup>	1332-21-4	C.I. Acid Green 3	4680-78-8	Chloroacetic acid b	79-11-8
Benzene	71-43-2	C.I. Basic Green 4	569-64-2	Chlorobenzene	108-90-7
Benzoyl chloride	98-88-4	C.I. Basic Red 1	989-38-8	Chloroethane	75-00-3
Benzoyl peroxide	94-36-0	C.I. Direct Blue 218	28407-37-6	Chloroform	67-66-3

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#### 1999 NPRI Substance List (continued)

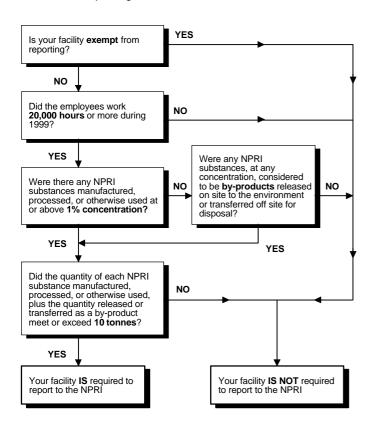
	Name	CAS Nr.		Name	CAS Nr.		Name	CAS Nr.
	Chloromethane	74-87-3	•	HCFC-123 and all isomers k	34077-87-7	▶	Nonylphenol polyethylene glycol ether	9016-45-9
•	3-Chloro-2-methyl-1-propene	563-47-3	$\blacktriangleright$	HCFC 124 and all isomers 1	63938-10-3	▶	p-Nonylphenol polyethylene glycol ether	26027-38-3
•	3-Chloropropionitrile	542-76-7	$\blacktriangleright$	HCFC-141b	1717-00-6	▶	Nonylphenoxy ethanol	27986-36-3
	Chromium <sup>†</sup>	*	$\blacktriangleright$	HCFC-142b	75-68-3	▶	2-(p-Nonylphenoxy) ethanol	104-35-8
	Cobalt <sup>f</sup>	*		Hexachlorocyclopentadiene	77-47-4	▶	2-(2-(p-Nonylphenoxy)ethoxy) ethanol	20427-84-3
	Copper	*		Hexachloroethane	67-72-1	▶	2-(2-(2-(p-Nonylphenoxy) -	
	Cresol b,h	1319-77-3		Hexachlorophene	70-30-4		ethoxy)ethoxy) ethanol	7311-27-5
	m-Cresol b	108-39-4	▶	Hexane	110-54-3		Paraldehyde	123-63-7
	o-Cresol b	95-48-7		Hydrazine b	302-01-2	▶	Pentachloroethane	76-01-7
	p-Cresol <sup>b</sup>	106-44-5		Hydrochloric acid	7647-01-0		Peracetic acid <sup>b</sup>	79-21-0
	Crotonaldehyde Cumene	4170-30-3 98-82-8		Hydrogen cyanide	74-90-8 7664-39-3		Phenol <sup>b</sup>	108-95-2
	Cumene hydroperoxide	80-15-9		Hydrogen fluoride Hydrogen sulphide	7783-06-4		<i>p</i> -Phenylenediamine <sup>b</sup>	106-50-3
	Cyanides i	*		Hydroquinone b	123-31-9		o-Phenylphenol <sup>b</sup>	90-43-7
	Cyclohexane	110-82-7	•		13463-40-6		Phospene Phosphoric acid	75-44-5 7664-38-2
•	Cyclohexanol	108-93-0		Isobutyraldehyde	78-84-2		Phosphorus <sup>n</sup>	7723-14-0
	Decabromodiphenyl oxide	1163-19-5	•	Isophorone diisocyanate	4098-71-9		Phthalic anhydride	85-44-9
	2,4-Diaminotoluene	95-80-7		Isoprene	78-79-5	•	Potassium bromate	7758-01-2
•	2,6-Di-t-butyl-4-methylphenol	128-37-0		Isopropyl alcohol	67-63-0	•	Propargyl alcohol	107-19-7
	Dibutyl phthalate	84-74-2		p,p'-Isopropylidenediphenol	80-05-7		Propionaldehyde	123-38-6
	o-Dichlorobenzene	95-50-1		Isosafrole	120-58-1		Propylene	115-07-1
	p-Dichlorobenzene	106-46-7		Lead <sup>†</sup>	*		Propylene oxide	75-56-9
•	3,3'-Dichlorobenzidine dihydrochloride		▶	Lithium carbonate	554-13-2		Pyridine <sup>b</sup>	110-86-1
	1,2-Dichloroethane	107-06-2		Maleic anhydride	108-31-6		Quinoline b	91-22-5
	Dichloromethane	75-09-2		Manganese '	*		<i>p</i> -Quinone	106-51-4
	2,4-Dichlorophenol b 1,2-Dichloropropane	120-83-2 78-87-5		2-Mercaptobenzothiazole Mercury <sup>f</sup>	149-30-4		Safrole	94-59-7
	Dicyclopentadiene	77-73-6		Methanol	67-56-1		Selenium <sup>f</sup>	*
	Diethanolamine b	111-42-2		2-Methoxyethanol	109-86-4		Silver <sup>†</sup> Sodium fluoride	7681-49-4
	Diethyl phthalate	84-66-2		2-Methoxyethyl acetate	110-49-6	<b>&gt;</b>	Sodium nitrite	7632-00-0
	Diethyl sulphate	64-67-5		Methyl acrylate	96-33-3		Styrene	100-42-5
	Dimethylamine	124-40-3		Methyl tert-butyl ether	1634-04-4		Styrene oxide	96-09-3
	N,N-Dimethylaniline <sup>b</sup>	121-69-7		p,p'-Methylenebis(2-chloroaniline)	101-14-4	•	Sulphur hexafluoride	2551-62-4
•	Dimethyl phenol	1300-71-6	$\blacktriangleright$	1,1-Methylene bis (4-isocyanatocyclohexane)			Sulphuric acid	7664-93-9
	Dimethyl phthalate	131-11-3		Methylenebis(phenylisocyanate)	101-68-8	▶	1,1,1,2-Tetrachloroethane	630-20-6
	Dimethyl sulphate	77-78-1		p,p'-Methylenedianiline	101-77-9		1,1,2,2-Tetrachloroethane	79-34-5
	4,6-Dinitro-o-cresol <sup>b</sup> 2,4-Dinitrotoluene	534-52-1 121-14-2		Methyl ethyl ketone	78-93-3		Tetrachloroethylene	127-18-4
	2.6-Dinitrotoluene	606-20-2		Methyl iodide	74-88-4 108-10-1		Tetracycline hydrochloride	64-75-5
	The state of the s	25321-14-6		Methyl isobutyl ketone Methyl methacrylate	80-62-6	•	Tetraethyl lead Thiourea	78-00-2 62-56-6
	Di-n-octyl phthalate	117-84-0		N-Methylolacrylamide	924-42-5		Thorium dioxide	1314-20-1
	1,4-Dioxane	123-91-1		2-Methylpyridine	109-06-8		Titanium tetrachloride	7550-45-0
•	Diphenylamine	122-39-4		N-Methyl-2-pyrrolidone	872-50-4		Toluene	108-88-3
	Epichlorohydrin	106-89-8		Michler's ketone b	90-94-8		Toluene-2,4-diisocyanate	584-84-9
	2-Ethoxyethanol	110-80-5		Molybdenum trioxide	1313-27-5		Toluene-2,6-diisocyanate	91-08-7
	2-Ethoxyethyl acetate	111-15-9		Naphthalene	91-20-3		Toluenediisocyanate h	26471-62-5
•		28679-13-2		Nickel <sup>†</sup>	*		1,2,4-Trichlorobenzene	120-82-1
	Ethyl acrylate Ethylbenzene	140-88-5 100-41-4		Nitrate ion <sup>m</sup>	*		1,1,2-Trichloroethane	79-00-5
	Ethyl chloroformate	541-41-3		Nitric acid	7697-37-2		Trichloroethylene	79-01-6
	Ethylene	74-85-1		Nitrilotriacetic acid <sup>b</sup> p-Nitroaniline	139-13-9 100-01-6	•	Triethylamine	121-44-8
	Ethylene glycol	107-21-1		Nitrobenzene	98-95-3		1,2,4-Trimethylbenzene 2,2,4-Trimethylhexamethylene diisocyanate	95-63-6 16938-22-0
	Ethylene oxide	75-21-8		Nitroglycerin	55-63-0		2,4,4-Trimethylhexamethylene diisocyanate	
	Ethylene thiourea	96-45-7		<i>p</i> -Nitrophenol <sup>b</sup>	100-02-7	-	Vanadium <sup>c</sup>	7440-62-2
•	Fluorine	7782-41-4		2-Nitropropane	79-46-9		Vinyl acetate	108-05-4
	Formaldehyde	50-00-0		N-Nitrosodiphenylamine	86-30-6		Vinyl chloride	75-01-4
	Formic acid	64-18-6		Nonylphenol	104-40-5		Vinylidene chloride	75-35-4
	Halon 1211 Halon 1301	353-59-3			27177-05-5		Xylene <sup>n</sup>	1330-20-7
	HCFC-22	75-63-8 75-45-6			84852-15-3		Zinc <sup>†</sup>	*
		41834-16-6			27177-08-8 25154-52-3			
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- New substance added in 1999
- No single CAS number applies to this NPRI listing.
- a CAS Registry Number denotes the Chemical Abstracts Service Registry Number, as appropriate.
- b "and its salts" The CAS number corresponds to the weak acid or base. However, the NPRI listing includes the salts of these weak acids and bases. When calculating the weight of these substances and their salts, use the molecular weight of the acid or base, not the total weight of the salt.
- c "fume or dust"
- d "fibrous forms"
- e "Ammonia (total)" means the total of both of ammonia (NH $_3$  CAS number 7664-41-7) and the ammonium ion (NH $_4$  $^\dagger$ ) in solution.
- f "and its compounds"
- g "friable form"
- h "mixed isomers"

- "ionic
- j The isomers include, but are not necessarily limited to, HCFC-122 (CAS Number 354-21-2).
- k The isomers include, but are not necessarily limited to, HCFC-123 (CAS Number 306-83-2) and HCFC 123a (CAS Number 90454-18-5).
- The isomers include, but are not necessarily limited to, HCFC 124 (CAS Number 2837-89-0), and HCFC 124a ( CAS Number 354-25-6).
- m "in solution at a pH of 6.0 or greater"
- n "yellow or white"

#### How do we file a report?

Review the reporting criteria:



If you have indicated on the reply form that you may be required to report, you will receive a reporting kit which includes: a CD-ROM or diskette containing the electronic reporting form; and a reporting guide. The guide includes: explanations of the criteria and reporting requirements in more detail; guidance on how to calculate the reporting threshold; and instructions for completing the electronic reporting form.

Requesting a reporting kit does not legally bind you to submit a report. If, upon further examination of the information in the guide, you determine that you are not required to report, you should advise Environment Canada of this fact. However, if your facility **does** meet the reporting criteria, you **must** submit a report.

**NOTES** 

Please complete the enclosed reply form and send it to your nearest Environment Canada office. If you have any questions, or require further information, please contact the regional NPRI office at the following address:

National Pollutant Release Inventory Environment Canada 4<sup>th</sup> Floor 105 McGill Street Montreal, Quebec H2Y 2E7

Tel: (514) 283-0193 Fax: (514) 496-6982

eMail: Chantal.menard@ec.gc.ca

Information about the NPRI is available on the Internet, including an on-line version of the reporting guide, downloadable data, and proposals for modifying the NPRI. Please consult the World Wide Web site at:

www.ec.gc.ca/pdb/npri





### **NPRI REPLY FORM**

Please complete this reply form and return it to your nearest Environment Canada office:

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Tel: (514) 283-0193 (514) 496-6982 Fax:

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<ul> <li>YES, we may be required to report for 1999. Please send a reporting kit to the above address.</li> <li>Preferred media:         <ul> <li>□ CD-ROM (MS DOS &amp; Windows 95/98/NT)</li> <li>□ 3½" Diskette (MS-DOS)</li> <li>□ 3½" Diskette (Windows 95/98/NT)</li> </ul> </li> <li>NO, our facility is not required to report (check ☑ all that apply):         <ul> <li>Our facility is exempt from reporting, because we are exclusively involved in (check ☑ one):</li> </ul> </li> </ul>								
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	educating or training students. research or testing.	<b>U</b>	growing, harvesting or managing renewable natural resources.					
_	the maintenance and repair of transportation vehicles.		mining, and we do <b>not</b> engage in further processing of mined materials.					
	the wholesale or retail sale of articles or products which contain NPRI substances, or the retail sale of NPRI substances themselves. These		drilling or operating wells to obtain oil and gas products, and we do <b>not</b> engage in further processing of these products.					
	substances are <b>not</b> released to the environment during normal use at our facility.		the distribution, storage or retail sale of fuels.					
We do <b>not</b> meet the reporting criteria (check ☑ ALL that apply):								
	Our employees have <b>not</b> worked a total of <b>20 000 hours</b> or more during the 1999 calendar year.							
		had NPRI substances on site in 1999, but we did <b>not</b> manufacture, process or otherwise use <b>10 tonnes</b> or more of of these substances, <b>including by-products</b> at any concentration.						
	We did not have NPRI substances on site in 1999	did not have NPRI substances on site in 1999						
	NPRI substances were <b>not</b> manufactured, processed or otherwise used at a concentration greater than or equal to <b>1%</b> by weight, <b>nor</b> were <b>by-products</b> manufactured, processed or otherwise used at any concentration in 1999.							

Thank you for your reply. Environment Canada may contact you to confirm this information