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Acronyms/Abbreviations

AA Atomic Adsorption Spectroscopy (inorganics anal.)
A-280 Amendments to SDWA which establish MCLs

ACGH American Conf. of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

ACL Alternate Cleanup Levels
ACM Asbestos Containing Material
ACO Administrative Consent Order
ADI Acceptable Daily Intake

AE Acid Extractable Compounds (AE+10) Part of BN/AE

A/E Architectural/Engineering

AHERA Federal Asbestos Hazard Emergency Abatement Act AHPA Archaeological Resources Protection Act of 1979

AIC Acceptable Intake for Chronic Exposure
AIS Acceptable Intake for Subchronic Exposure

AOC Area of concern (or contamination)

APF Assigned Protection Factor

ARARS Applicable or Relevant and Appropriate Requirements Include Federal or State

standards, requirements criteria, or limitations.

ASTM American Society for Testing and Materials

ASTSWMO Association of State and Territorial Solid Waste Management Officials

ATSDR Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (CDC)
ATTIC Alternative Treatment Technology Information Center

AWQC Ambient Water Quality Criteria

BA Biological Assessment BCF Bioconcentration Factor

BDAT Best Demonstrated Available Technology

BEI Biological Exposure Indices BOD Biological Oxygen Demand

BN Base Neutral Compounds (BN+10, BNE) Part of BN/AE
BN/AE Base Neutral/Acid Extractable Compounds, semivolatiles

BTAG Biological Technical Assistance Group

BTEX Benzene, Toluene, Ethyl benzene, xylenes (also BTX)

BTU British Thermal Units (heat unit)

CA Cooperative Agreement CAA Clean Air Act (Federal)

CAFRA Coastal Area Facility Review Act (DEP)
CAG Carcinogen Assessment Group (EPA)

CAMU Corrective Action Management Unit (RCRA)
CaPAH Carcinogen Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons

CBI Confidential Business Information

CC Calibration Compound
CDC Center for Disease Control
CDDs Chlorinated Dibenzo-p-dioxins
CDFs Chlorinated Dibenzofurans
CDI Chronic Daily Intake

CEAM Center for Exposure Assessment Modeling

CEC Cation Exchange Capacity

CEPP Chemical Emergency Preparedness Program

CERCLA Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act

CERCLIS CERCLA Information System
CFR Code of Federal Regulations
CGA Combustible Gas Analyzer
Ci Curie (radiation unit)

CIR Color Infrared

CRP

CLP Contract Laboratory Program

CM Corrective Measures
CO Contracting Officer

COD Chemical Oxygen Demand CPM Critical Path Method

also Certified Public Manager Community Relations Plan

CRDL Contract Required Detection Limit

CRQL Contract Required Quantitation Limit under the CLP

CRS Cultural Resources Survey

CTRL Chronic Toxicity Reference Level

CV Coefficient of Variation

CVAA Cold Vapor Atomic Adsorption Spectroscopy

CWA Clean Water Act

CZMA Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972

D Absorbed Dose (radiation)
DCF Dose Conversion Factor

DL Detection Limit

DNAPL Dense Non-Aqueous Phase Liquid

DNPH Dinitrophenyl Hydrazine DO Dissolved Oxygen

DOC Department of Commerce (Federal)

DoD Department of Defense

DOI Department of the Interior (Federal)
DOT Department of Transportation

DPCC/DCR Discharge Prevention, Containment and Countermeasure Plan/Discharge Cleanup and Removal

Plan

DQO Data Quality Objectives

DRE Destruction and Removal Efficiency

DTW Domestic Treatment Works

EA Endangerment Assessment (also Environ. Assess.)
EC50 Median effective concentration during a bioassay

ECD Electron Capture Detector

ECRA Environmental Cleanup Responsibility Act (New Jersey)

EDD Enforcement Decision Document
EE/CA Engineering Evaluation/Cost Analysis
EEM Environmental Evaluation Manual (EPA)

EHS Extremely Hazardous Substance
EIS Environmental Impact Statement

EO Executive Order

EM Electromagnetic (usually refers to a type of geophysics survey)

also Environmental Media

EMSL Environmental Monitoring Support Laboratory, Las Vegas EPA Environmental Protection Agency (Federal-USEPA)

EP Extraction Procedure

EPCRA Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act

EPIC Environmental Photographic Interpretation Center

EPTOX Extraction Procedure Toxicity Test (leachability Test)

ERA Expedited Response Action

ERRIS Emergency and Remedial Response Information System

ERT Environmental Response Team

ESA Endangered Species Act of 1973 (Federal)

ESD Document which Explains Significant Differences to ROD

ESI Expanded site investigation FCC Fiscal Control Center

FEMA Federal Emergency Management Agency

FID Flame Ionization Detector FFS Focused Feasibility Study FIT Field Investigation Team

FIFRA Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act

FMS Financial Management System foc Fraction Organic Carbon in Soil

FPXRF Field Portable X-Ray Fluorescence (inorganics)

FS Feasibility Study (See RAA also)

FSP Field Sampling Plan FTS Federal Telephone System

FWPCA Federal Water Pollution Control Act
FWS U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

FY Fiscal Year

GAC Granular Activated Carbon GAO General Accounting Office GC Gas Chromatography

GC/MS Gas Chromatography/Mass Spectroscopy

GFAA Graphite Furnace Atomic Absorption Spectroscopy

GIS Geographic Information System

also General Information Submission (ECRA)

GPC Gel Permeation Chromatography
GPR Ground Penetrating Radar
HAP Hazardous Air Pollutants

HEA Health and Environmental Assessment
HEAST Health Effects Assessment Summary Tables
HEEP Health and Environmental Effects Profile

HHEM Human Health Evaluation Manual (EPA replaces SPHEM)

HI Hazard Index (for noncarcinogens)
HMR Hazardous Materials Regulations

HMTA Hazardous Materials Transportation Act (Federal)

HOC Halogenated Organic Compounds HPLC High Pressure Liquid Chromatography

HSL Hazardous Substance List HSO Health and Safety Officer

HSWA Hazardous and Solid Waste Amendments (to SARA)

HQ EPA Headquarters
HRS Hazard Ranking System

HRSD Hazardous Response Support Division

HWS Hazardous waste sites
IA Innovative Alternatives
IAG Inter-Agency Agreement

ICP Inductively Coupled Plasma Atomic Emission Spectrophotometry

ID Infrared Detector

IDL **Instrument Detection Limit**

Immediately Dangerous to Life or Health **IDLH**

Interim Environmental Monitoring Plan (during design) **IEMP**

Integrated Exposure Uptake Biokinetic Model - EPA model used to develop residential direct **IEUBK**

contact lead soil cleanup criteria

IFB Invitation for bids IG **Inspector General**

Integrated Risk Information System IRIS

Interagency review letter **IRL**

IRM Interim or Initial Remedial Measure

ISAL Interim Soil Action Level(s)

ISRA Industrial Site Recovery Act (1070)

ISV In Situ Vitrification

Kd Soil/Water Partition Coefficient

Organic Carbon Absorption Coefficient Koc Kow Octanol/Water Partition Coefficient Potassium Hydroxide/Polyethylene glycol

KPEG

kV Kilovolts

Lowest Achievable Emission Rate **LAER**

LC50 Median lethal concentration in a bioassay LD50 Dose causing 50% mortality in bioassay

Land Disposal Restrictions LDR Lower Explosive Limit LEL

Lowest Observable Adverse Effect Level LOAEL

LOD Limit of Detection LOE Level of Effort LOL Limit of Linearity LOQ Limit of Quantitation

Large Quantity Generator (NJDEPE-RCRA) LQG Maximum Achievable Control Technology **MACT**

Minimum average 7 consecutive day flow with a statistical recurrence interval of 10 years MA7CD10

MBE Minority Business Enterprise

Maximum Contaminant Level (for drinking water) **MCL** Maximum Contaminant Level Goals (for drinking water) MCLG

MDL Method Detection Limit

Methyl Ethyl Ketone (2-Butanone) **MEK**

MeV Million electron volts **MGD** Million Gallons per Day MOA Memorandum or Agreement MOU Memorandum of Understanding

MPRSA Marine Protection Research and Sanctuaries Act **MRATS** Major Remedial Action Tracking System (NJDEP)

MS Mass Spectrometer

Method Spike/Method Spike Duplicate (QA/QC term) MS/MSD

Multi-Site Cooperative Agreement **MSCA** Mine Safety and Health Administration **MSHA**

Material Safety Data Sheet **MSDS** Medical Surveillance Plan **MSP** Methyl Tertiary Butyl Ether MTBE

Maximum Use Limit (respiratory protection) MUL

NAAQS National Ambient Air Quality Standards

NAPL Non-Aqueous Phase Liquid NBS National Bureau of Standards

NCP National Oil and Hazardous Substances Pollution Contingency Plan (40 CFR 300)

NEIC National Enforcement Information Center NEPA National Environmental Policy Act

NESHAP National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Poll.

NFIP National Flood Insurance Program

NHPA National Historic Preservation Act of 1966

NIOSH National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health

NJAC New Jersey Administrative Code

NJDEP New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection

NJR New Jersey Register

NJSA New Jersey Statutes Annotated NJAPCA New Jersey Air Pollution Control Act NJPCA New Jersey Pesticide Control Act

NJPDES New Jersey Pollutant Discharge Elimination System

NJWPCA New Jersey Water Pollution Control Act

NOAA National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration

NOAEC No-observable-adverse-effect-level NOEC No-observable-effect-concentration NOAEL No-observed-adverse-effect-level

NPDES National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System

NPL National Priorities List NPS National Park Service

NRC Nuclear Regulatory Commission
NRHP National Register of Historic Places
NTGS National Technical Guidance Studies
NTIS National Technical Information Service

NVLAP National Voluntary Laboratory Approval Program

NWI National Wetlands Inventory

OERR Office of Emergency and Remedial Response

O&M Operation and Maintenance

OMB Office of Management and Budget

ORD Office of Research and Development (EPA - Cinn., Ohio)

To order EPA publications call (513) 569-7562

OSC On-Scene Coordinator

OSHA Occupational Safety and Health Administration, U.S. Department of Labor

OSWER Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response

OU Operable Unit

OVA Organic Vapor Analyzer

OWPE Office of Waste Programs Enforcement

PA Preliminary Assessment PAC Project Activity Code

PAH Polycyclic (Polynuclear) Aromatic Hydrocarbon PA/SI Preliminary Assessment/Site Investigation PCB Polychlorinated Biphenyls. Syn. - Arochlors

PCE Tetrachloroethylene, Syn. - Perchloroethylene, Perc

pCi Picocurie (equiv. 10⁻¹² Curie radiation)
PCDD Polychlorinated Dibenzodioxins

PCDF Polychlorinated Dibenzofurans

PEG Polyethylene Glycol (KPEG - hydrodechlorination)

PEL Permissible Exposure Limit

PF Protection Factor

PHA Public Health Assessment

PHC Petroleum Hydrocarbons (see TPH)

PID Photoionization Detector pKa Acid Dissociation Constant

PO Project Officer

POETS Point of entry treatment system (for potable water)
POHC Principal Organic Hazardous Constituent (emissions)

POP Project Operations Plan

POTW Publicly Owned Treatment Works
PP Proposed Plan (Equiv. to PRAP)

PP Priority Pollutant List, PP+40 - with 40 Tentatively Identified Compounds

ppb Parts per billion (ug/Kg, ng/g)
PPE Personal Protective Equipment
ppm Parts per million (mg/Kg, ug/g)

also Priority Pollutant Metals (PPM)

ppt Parts per trillion (ng/Kg, pg/g)

also Parts per thousand (salinity)

PRAP Proposed Remedial Action Plan (Equiv. to PP)

PRM Project Response Matrix
PRP Potentially Responsible Party
PSI Pounds per square inch

PTFE Polytetraflouroethylene (Teflon - trademark)

PUF Polyurethane foam sampling media (air sampling media)

PVC Polyvinyl Chloride

q₁* Cancer Potency Factor, risk mg/kg body Wt. per day

QA/QC Quality Assurance/Quality Control

QAPP Quality Assurance Project Plan (also QAPjP)
QAPMP Quality Assurance Project Management Plan

RA Regional Administrator (EPA)

RAA Remedial Alternative Analysis from Section 5 of 7:26E (Equiv. to FS)

RAGS Risk Assessment Guidance for Superfund

RAS Routine Analytical Services

RAWP Remedial Action Workplan, required as per 7:26E-6.2

RBE Relative Biological Effectiveness

RCRA Resource Conservation and Recovery Act

RD Remedial Design

RD/RA Remedial Design/Remedial Action REL Recommended Exposure Limit

REM Remedial Planning Contractor (for EPA)

RFA RCRA Facility Assessment RFI RCRA Facility Investigation

RfD Reference Dose, toxicity value for noncarcinogens

RfD_{dt} Developmental Reference Dose
RfD_s Subchronic Reference Dose
RFP Request for Proposals
RFQ Request for Qualifications
RI Remedial Investigation

RI/FS Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study

RIWP Remedial Investigation Work Plan

RMCL Recommended Maximum Contaminant Level

RMP Risk Management Plan

RME Reasonable Maximum Exposure

ROD Record of Decision

RPD Relative Percent Difference %RPD= $100x2(X_1-X_2)/(X_1+X_2)$

RPM Remedial Project Manager (EPA)

RQ Reportable Quantity

RSCRC Regional Superfund Community Relations Coordinator

RSD Risk Specific Dose

also Relative Standard Deviation (%)

RTK Right To Know (Act)

SAP Sampling and Analysis Plan SAS Special Analytical Services

SASS Source Assessment Sampling System

SARA Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act

SCBA Self Contained Breathing Apparatus

SCS Soil Conservation Service SDWA Safe Drinking Water Act

SEAM Superfund Exposure Assessment Manual (EPA)

SES Site Evaluation Submission (ECRA)

SF Slope Factor

SI Site Investigation or inspection SIA Standard Intake Assumption SIC Standard Industrial Classification

SITE Superfund Innovative Technology Evaluation Program

SLCP Secondary Landfill Conventional Parameters

SMP Site Management Plan

SOP Standard Operating Procedure SOW Scope of Work or Statement of Work

SPHEM Superfund Public Health Evaluation Manual (HHEM - new)

SPOC Single Point of Contact SQC Sediment Quality Criteria

SQG Small Quantity Generator (NJDEPE-RCRA)

SQL Sample Quantitation Limit
SSC Superfund State Contract
STEL Short Term Exposure Limit
SVE Soil Vacuum (Vapor) Extraction

SVOC Semivolatile Organic Compounds (same as BN/AE) SW-846 EPA Test Methods for Evaluating Solid Wastes

SWDA Solid Waste Disposal Act

SWMU Solid Waste Management Unit (RCRA)

TAL Target Analyte List (Inorganics)
TAT Technical Assistance Team
TBA Tertiary (Tert) Butyl Alcohol

TBC To be Considered (refers to ARARs)

TC Toxicity Characteristic

TCDD Tetrachlorodibenzo-p-dioxin, usually 2,3,7,8-TCDD

TCDF Tetrachlorodebenzofuran TCA 1,1,1-Trichloroethane

TCE Trichloroethylene, Syn. - Trichloroethene

TCL Target Compound List (TCL+30)

TCLP Toxicity Characteristic Leaching Procedure
TCPA Toxic Catastrophe Prevention Act (New Jersey)

TEF Toxicity Equivalency Factor (risk compared to TCDD)
TEGD Technical Enforcement Guidance Document (EPA, 1986)

TIC Tentatively Identified Compounds from Mass Spec. Library Search. Syn. - Non-Target

Compounds

also Total Ion Chromatogram

TLV Threshold Limit Value (respiratory protection)

TMDL Total Maximum Daily Load

TOC Total Organic Carbon

TSCA Toxic Substances Control Act
TOX Total Organic Halogen analysis

TPH Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons (see PHC)

TRIS Toxic Release Inventory System

TWA Time Weighted Average

UCL Upper Confidence Limit (usually 95%)
UCS Unconfined Compressive Strength

UEL Upper Explosive Limit

UGST Underground Storage Tank (also UST)
USACE U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (also COE)

USATHAMA U.S. Army Toxic and Hazardous Materials Agency USEPA United States Environmental Protection Agency

USGS U.S. Geological Survey

UV Ultraviolet

VO Volatile Organics (VOC, VOA, VO+10)

VOC Volatile Organic Compounds

VOST Volatile Organic Sampling Train (air sampling)

VSP Vertical Seismic Profiling

VTSR Verified Time of Sample Receipt

WA Wilderness Act

also Work Assignment

WBE Women's Business Enterprise
WHO World Health Organization

WP Work Plan

WPCA Water Pollution Control Act
WQC Water Quality Criteria
WSRA Wild and Scenic Rivers Act

XRF X-Ray Fluorescence, Syn. (FPXRF) - Field Portable XRF