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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

Air and Radiation The air activities of the Agency include:

- 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:

- 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;
- 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.

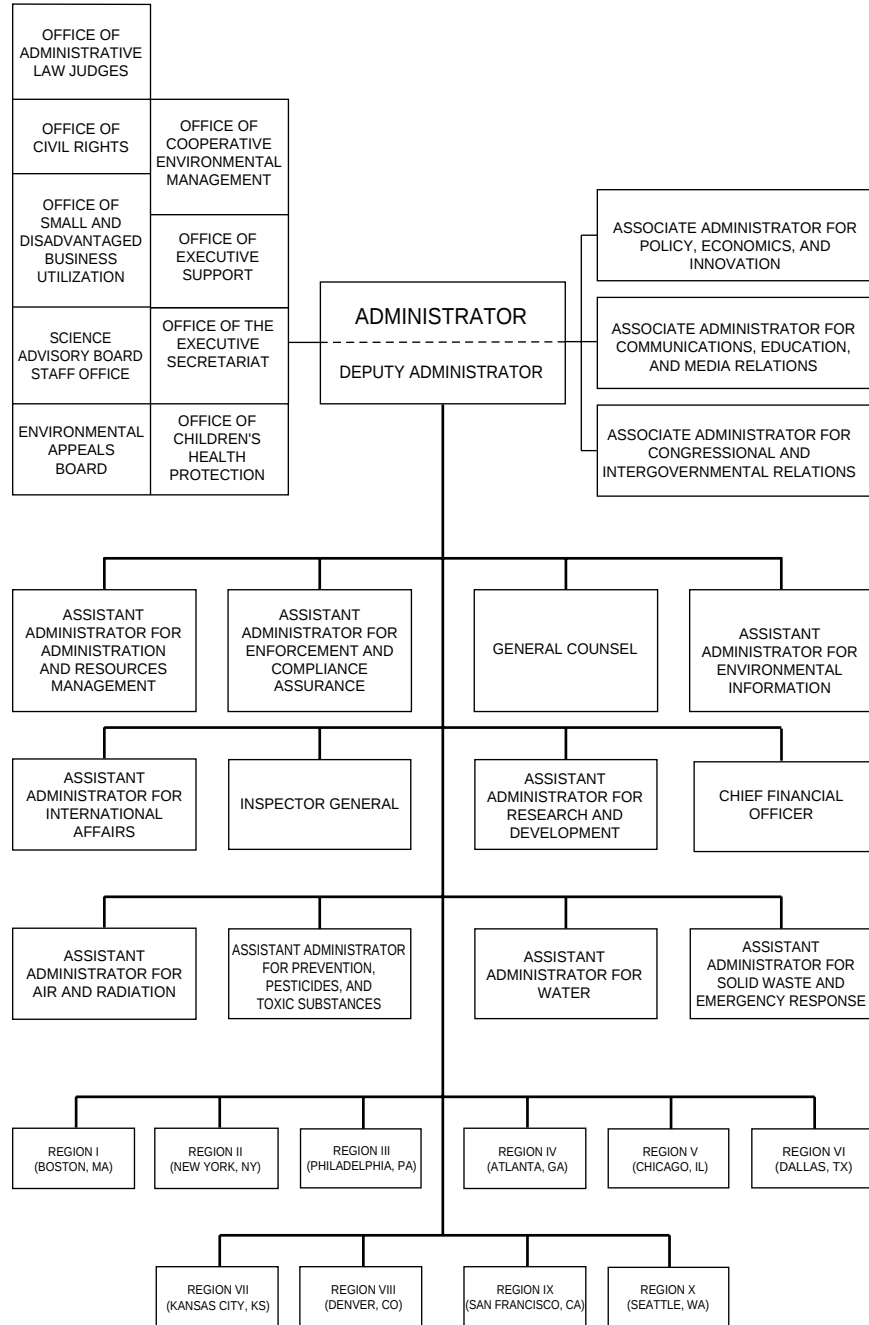
For further information, call 202-564-5700.

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:

- 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;

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—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 202-260-4610.

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

—promoting the public's right to know about chemical risk;

—promoting pollution prevention through source reduction strategies;

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

—identifying and reviewing emerging and existing science and technology policies, 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 toxic substances;

—developing criteria for assessing chemical substances, standards for test protocols for chemicals, rules and procedures for industry reporting, and scientific information for the regulation of substances that may be hazardous to 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 activities under its statutory responsibilities with other agencies for the assessment and control of toxic substances and pesticides.

For further information, call 202-260-2902.

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.

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

Region/Address/Areas Served	Regional Administrator
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Inquiries for information on the following subjects should be directed to the specified office of the Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20460.

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, 202-564-7333. 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 Communications, Education, and Media Relations, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20460-0001. Phone, 202-564-4455. Internet, www.epa.gov.

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