

Hazardous and Solid Waste Minimization, Proceedings of a 1986 Conference, Washington, DC, Government Institutes, Rockville, MD, 1986, ISBN 0-86587-1364-1, 148 pages, \$49.90.

Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act Handbook, by J.C. Arbuckle, T.A. Vanderver, Jr. and P.A.J. Wilson, Government Institutes, Rockville, MD, 1987, ISBN 0-86587-721-1, 186 pages, soft cover, \$48.50.

Storage Tank Management: A Practical Guide, by A.D. Young, M.A. Barbara, J.P. Miller, R.W. Kane and W. Rogers, Government Institutes, Rockville, MD, 1987, ISBN 0-86587-144-2, 244 pages, \$47.50.

The outpouring of environmental laws and regulations in the United States has spawned a new series of explanatory books by Government Institutes.

The first of these books reports on a Conference that dealt with the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act's requirement that firms minimize their generation of hazardous wastes. The proceedings contain 12 papers, and as with all conference proceedings, the papers are of variable quality; however several are very good and should provide an excellent resource for the environmental managers truly interested in waste minimization.

The second of the two books results from the reauthorized Superfund law, specifically the EPCRA part: Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act of 1986 which the U.S. Congress passed in an effort to assure: (1) that a mechanism exists through which citizens can be made aware of the existence, quantities, and releases of various hazardous materials in their communities, and (2) that states and local governments undertake planning measures to respond to emergencies involving those substances. The authors discuss the reporting burdens for industry and the requirements placed on local communities for spill response planning.

The third and (longest) book of this trio was written by five consultants as a practical guide for those having or contemplating the installation of underground storage tanks. Topics discussed include laws, preventions, testing, design, secondary containment, monitoring and leak detection, retrofit, maintenance, removal, installation and finally a plan for tank management.

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