

cerning the air quality aspects of disposal facilities (and the monitoring thereof), but not as well as I would have liked. In my opinion, much more could have been written on the air quality aspects and the air quality monitoring TDSF's. One final note; the authors include a most useful glossary which allows the novice reader to comprehend the bewildering variety of acronyms being used in the environmental field today.

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Treatment of Hazardous Petrochemical and Petroleum Wastes: Current, New and Emerging Technologies, by D.J. Burton and K. Ravishankar, Noyes Data Corp., Park Ridge, NJ, 1989, ISBN 0-8155-1215-5, 270 pp., \$56.00.

The U.S. EPA has been directed by RCRA to consider banning land disposal of a large number of hazardous wastes. The process for enforcing this requirement of the law was to consider one-third of the potential candidates for banning in each successive year. Refinery sludges from API separators and air flotation systems are in the third round. It is anticipated that oil refineries will soon be required to find a new method of disposal for these wastes. This book is consequently very timely.

The book resulted from an API-sponsored study of the industry and its disposal practices and contains the following chapters:

Chapter 1: Brief overview of the wastes generated in the petroleum refining industry with emphasis on quantity generated, characteristics, current waste treatment methods, and problems of waste disposal.

Chapter 3: Assessment of new and emerging technologies and their application in the petroleum refining industry.

Chapter 4: Economic analysis of technologies under consideration.

Chapter 5: Specific conclusions.

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Reclamation and Reprocessing of Spent Solvents, by A.R. Tarrer, B.A. Donahue, S. Dharavaram and S.B. Joshi, Noyes Data Corp., Park Ridge, NJ, 1989, ISBN 0-8155-1222-8, 190 pp., \$42.00.

Given the public interest in recycling, I anticipate that the U.S. Congress will soon mandate industrial hazardous waste recycling when they re-authorize the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act; solvents are a prime (and logical) candidate for recycling.

This book describes the reclamation and reprocessing of spent cleaning solvents, as well as tests to determine spent solvent quality.

Part I of this book describes the tests for assessing the quality of used cold-cleaning solvents. Guidelines are given to allow managers and those responsible for environmental compliance to assess a used solvent quality and determine if it should be reused. Reclamation techniques and their advantages and drawbacks are presented.

Part II of the book covers tests for quality evaluation of used halogenated solvents employed primarily in cleaning. Reclamation methods are also assessed to determine recycling feasibility.

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Oil Spill Response Guide, by Robert J. Meyers and Associates and Research Planning Institute, Inc., Noyes Data Corp., Park Ridge, NJ, 1990, ISBN 0-8155-1221-X, 314 pp., \$45.00.

The preface states:

“This book describes equipment, techniques and logistics for responding to oil spills. It is designed to serve as a planning guide which will help the on-scene coordinator identify the steps and priorities for responding to major oil spills or blowouts associated with petroleum activity.”

The chapter titles are:

- (1) Introduction and Summary
- (2) Federal Response Organization
- (3) Initial Response
- (4) Elements of Response (details of this key chapter are given below)
 - detection and surveillance
 - oil spill trajectory models
 - oil spill containment
 - oil spill recovery
 - transfer equipment
 - recovered oil storage equipment
 - oil spill disposal
 - personnel
 - logistics
 - well control
 - dispersants
- (5) Mechanics of Response
- (6) Oil Spill Response Scenarios