

- Identification numbers: CAS, RTECS, ICSC, UN, EC
- Synonyms
- Type of hazard: fire, explosion
- Types of exposures: skin, eyes, inhalation, ingestion
- Spillage disposal
- Packaging and labeling
- Storage
- Physical properties
- Dangers: physical, chemical, exposure limits, exposure risk
- Environment data

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*Treatment Technologies*, by US Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Solid Waste, republished by Government Institutes, Rockville, MD, 1990, ISBN 0-86587-220-1, 238 pp., \$ 59.00.

This background document on treatment technologies was issued by the US EPA in 1990, and republished in August by Government Institutes. Why, I do not understand?

Government Institutes states that they 'determined that it [the US EPA report] contained information of interest to the regulated community outside of [the US] EPA'. Of interest it may be, of applicability the technologies are, but of discussion in depth, it is not.

In 238 double-spaced typewritten pages, 26 technologies for the treatment of wastewater and hazardous wastes are covered, starting with Aerobic Biological Treatment and ending with Chemical Reduction. What is written is fine, but of so limited in nature as to be trivial—almost an encyclopedic capsule rather than a textbook treatise. I am of the opinion 99% of the potential readers are well beyond the discussion provided.

Consequently, I cannot recommend this book to the reader of the *Journal of Hazardous Materials* — a surprising statement from me and the first such negative comment on a Government Institutes book which generally range from excellent to superb.

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*Controlling Volatile Organic Compound Emissions From Industrial Wastewaters*, by J. Elliot and S. Watkins, Noyes Data Corp., Park Ridge, NJ, 1990, ISBN 0-8155-1261-9, 363 pp., \$ 48.00.