

Regulated Chemical Directory — 1994, compiled by Chem ADVISOR®, Inc., for Chapman and Hall, New York, NY, 1994, 1714 pages, price US\$ 299, ISBN 0-412-05281-4

Finding information on the toxic and environmental effects for the multitude of chemicals I encounter routinely is difficult. But determining under which laws they are regulated is much more so. Hence I welcome this book, that according to its preface:

“... is meant to be a convenient source of information for everyone who needs to keep up-to-date regarding the regulations and recommendations that pertain to chemical substances. This (manual) is designed to be the first reference book to consult when beginning compliance efforts. Every regulatory or advisory list used in this (manual) is keyed to its source, to help readers who need more detailed information on regulations, recommendations or guidelines, readily locate source documents”.

Lists contained in the book include:

- Health and Safety Lists — sources were: ACIGH, IARC, US DOT, NIOSH, OSHA, AIHA, NFPA
- Environmental Lists — sources were: CERCLA, SARA, CWA, RCRA, SDA, TSCA
- International Lists — sources were: Australia, Canada, Germany, Israel, UK
- State Lists — sources were: California, Florida, Massachusetts, Minnesota, New Jersey, Pennsylvania
- Proposed Regulations

A description of the lists (i.e. what is in them), covers almost 70 pages with a cross-reference index of chemical names and symbols followed by chemical indexing by CAS number.

Part B, Regulation Summary starts on p. 597 and fills the rest of the book. Each (chemical) entry is listed alphabetically under its reference number, the most frequently used, regulatory synonym for the given chemical substance. Each regulatory summary intergrates data from health and safety, environmental, state and international lists and includes proposed changes in its regulatory advisory status.

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Superfund XIV Proceedings, HMCRI, 1 Church Street, Rockville, MD, 1994, 1457 pages, price US\$ 70.00 (2-Vol. set), ISBN 1-56590-013-8

This conference series which began in 1980 (and published under the title of Management of Uncontrolled Hazardous Waste Sites) is undeniably the longest running and most authoritative source of information on problem waste sites.

Since I was associated with the conference since its inception up to the 13th year, I was intimately familiar with its coverage. But I was not prepared for the two massive proceeding volumes I just received. The 141 papers found in them are grouped into 26 different sessions. They were contributed by over 350 authors.