

The book contains, at the end of each chapter, problems to be worked by the students. And solutions (surprisingly to me) are given in the Appendix. Personally, as a faculty member, I'd prefer a separate answer book.

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*The Wiley Encyclopedia of Environmental Pollution and Cleanup, Volumes 1 and 2*, Robert A. Meyers, (Ed.-in-Chief), Diane Kender Dittrick, Ed., Wiley, New York, NY, 1999, 2 vols., 1890 p. (8 1/2 × 11 format), US\$249.00, ISBN: 0-471-31612-1.

Any review of such a massive, comprehensive multi-topic work presents an editor with a daunting task. All he/she can do (in a reasonable period of time) is leaf through the book, reading the topics of interest and if the reader is, like this reviewer, perusing the references.

As I have often said in reviews, it is simple to criticize a book for what the author/editor has omitted; or to detect inequalities between various writers of a multi-authored work. This book is no exception, but I believe the editors have done better than most. The book is massive and should, I believe, be a standard work found on the shelves of most libraries both academic and public.

This encyclopedia is a condensation of Wiley's "critically acclaimed eight-volume Encyclopedia of Environmental Analysis in Remediation." I cannot imagine how difficult it was to make the "cuts" necessary to reduce the encyclopedia by 75%.

My evaluation, based on a sample of areas of interest — oil spills, industrial waste treatment, air pollution and nuclear power among others — is that this is an excellent book. I fail to see how it could have been improved (although in a few cases, the reference sections were not up to standard).

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*Surfactants and cosolvents for NAPL remediation: a technology practices manual*, Donald F. Lowe, Carroll L. Oubre and C. Herb Ward (Eds.), CRC Press, Boca Raton, FL, 1999, 472 p., US\$69.96, ISBN: 1-8493-4117-5.

In 1993, the U.S. Department of Defence (DOD) awarded a US\$19.3 million grant to a University consortium of environmental research centers led by Rice University in Houston, TX. The goal of the project was to "enhance the development of innovative remediation technologies for DOD by facilitating the process from academic research to full-scale utilization." The goal was to "...select, test, and document performance of innovative environmental technologies for the remediation of DOD sites." This volume, *Surfactants and Cosolvents for NAPL Remediation*, is one of a 10-monograph series of