

EPCRA requires facilities to submit information on the presence and releases of extremely hazardous substances, releases of hazardous substances listed under CERCLA, and the inventory of hazardous chemicals.

As stated in EPCRA Section 302(c), any facility (e.g., refineries, chemical manufacturing facilities, warehouses, federal facilities, farms) that has any extremely hazardous substances (EHS) above its threshold planning quantities (TPQ) present on-site at any one time is required to notify their SERC or TERC and LEPC or TEPC.

Facilities are also required to notify within 60 days if a new EHS becomes present at the facility at or above its TPQ. Facilities that conduct subsurface operations (e.g., mining) also would be subject to the emergency planning notification if EHSs are handled at these types of operations.

Facilities covered under EPCRA Section 312 are required to indicate on their Tier II form (or format) if they are subject to emergency planning requirements.

EPCRA Section 304 Emergency Notification

EPCRA Section 304 emergency notification requires facilities to notify the state, tribal and local authorities of any area(s) likely to be affected by any releases of CERCLA hazardous substances and EPCRA extremely hazardous substances. This notification allows the state. tribal and local authorities to receive release information as soon as releases occur in order to protect the community from potential hazards.

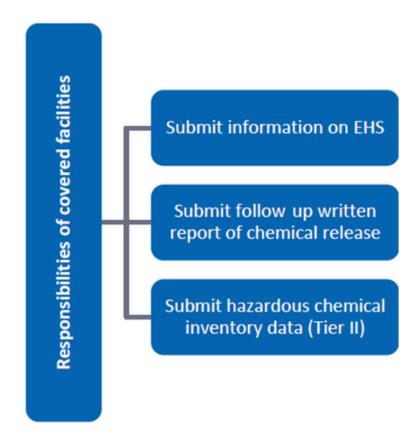


Facilities under EPCRA

EPA Consolidated Lists

EPA has a <u>Consolidated List of Lists</u> to help a facility identify what substances should be reported based on what Section.

Beginning in late December 2013
Montana transitioned all report filing to E-Plan electronic submission. No hard copies or email submittals will be accepted. Regarding local filing, the decision to accept online reporting to LEPCs or TERCs and fire departments has been left up to individual jurisdictions.



Facilities with EHSs present on site above their TPQs are also required to complete the following:



Designate a representative to be the facility emergency coordinator.



Participate in the local emergency planning process.



Provide any information to the LEPC or TEPC that is necessary for developing an emergency response plan.



Notify the LEPC or TEPC of any changes that occur at the facility that would affect emergency planning.