



## EPA Ship Contacts and Resources September, 2009

The following contact and resource information may be helpful when making decisions regarding the management of end of life ships.

### Headquarters EPA Contacts:

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### Regional EPA Contacts:

EPA maintains 10 Regional Offices to implement Federal environmental programs around the country. These Regional Offices cooperate with federal, state, interstate, and local agencies, as well as with industry, academic institutions and other private groups, to ensure that their Region's needs are addressed and that Federal environmental laws are upheld. For a map showing the various EPA Regions and links to the various Regional web sites, please visit <http://www.epa.gov/epahome/where.htm>.

Each Region has a designated PCB Coordinator and other subject matter experts to oversee the management and disposal of PCBs in each region. A list of the PCB Regional Coordinators may be found at: <http://www.epa.gov/epawaste/hazard/tsd/pcbs/pubs/coordin.htm>.

### EPA Information Resources:

#### Ship Specific Guidance

EPA regulates various vessel management activities under several environmental statutes and has published guidance documents regarding the scrapping and reefing of obsolete vessels. While these documents were developed for specific audiences, they contain useful information to anyone considering management options for an end of life ship.

- *A Guide for Ship Scrappers: Tips for Regulatory Compliance* – Published in 2000, this guidance document presents information related to environmental and worker safety and health issues for ship scrapping/ship breaking operations when handling specific hazardous materials. The document can be found at:

<http://www.epa.gov/oecaerth/resources/publications/civil/federal/shipscrapguide.pdf>.

- *National Guidance: Best Management Practices for Preparing Vessels Intended to Create Artificial Reefs* – Published in 2006, this guidance document provides environmentally-based best management practices for vessel preparation/cleanup to help ensure such vessels will benefit the environment as artificial reefs. The document may be found at:

<http://www.epa.gov/owow/oceans/habitat/artificialreefs/documents/0605finalreefguidance.pdf>.

#### General PCB Guidance Documents

EPA's PCB Program has developed a number of guidance documents on the management and disposal of PCBs and PCB-containing materials. While these documents are not specific to ships, they may contain useful information on managing and disposing of the various PCB materials and wastes that can be found onboard ships. These guidance documents may be found at:

<http://www.epa.gov/epawaste/hazard/tsd/pcbs/pubs/guidance.htm>.