



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460

MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: 2010 National Notable Achievement Awards – Call for Nominations

FROM: Barry N. Breen,
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TO: Deputy Regional Administrators, Regions 1-10

Today, we announce the beginning of the cycle for the 2010 National Notable Achievement Awards for accomplishments during the period of performance 10/1/08 through 9/30/09. This memorandum describes the history of the awards, identifies the 13 award components, summarizes changes to the awards process, establishes the due date to submit nominations, and provides contacts for questions. Instructions and the application package for each award category are located at <http://clu-in.org/awards>.

HISTORY

The Superfund National Notable Achievement Awards were established in the late 1980s to recognize regional Superfund staff. In 1998, the Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response (OSWER) and the Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance (OECA) added additional award components. The awards recognize exemplary accomplishments on the front lines of EPA's waste management and emergency response programs.

CHANGES TO THIS YEAR'S AWARDS

Award Component Changes

- The Office of Superfund Remediation and Technology Innovation (OSRTI) - eliminated the *ROD of the Year Award*
- The Office of Superfund Remediation and Technology Innovation (OSRTI) - added
 - *Superfund Cleanup Innovation,*
 - *Superfund Green Remediation,*
 - *Superfund Reuse/Redevelopment,*
 - *Community Involvement Plan of the Year,* and
 - *Citizen Excellence in Community Involvement Awards,* and

- updated the *Community Involvement Award*.
- The Office of Resource Conservation and Recovery (ORCR) - added community engagement language to the *Program Implementation Awards*.

Monetary Award Limit Changes

Effective this award cycle, the maximum award amount for group awards is \$5,000 with a maximum award of \$1,000 per person.

Submission Guidelines

The document format instructions for submitting award nominations have changed to reflect the agency standard. The requested document format for nominations is:

Margins: 1-inch margins

Default Font Type and Size: 12-point Times New Roman font;

Length: no more than two (2) pages in length.

Please note that the NNAA awards do not incorporate American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) criteria. The Agency has determined that awards for contributions related to ARRA will be handled separately.

AWARD COMPONENTS

The award components for the 2010 National Notable Achievement Awards are:

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| Brownfields | RCRA Corrective Action |
| Center for Program Analysis | Regional Science |
| Community Involvement | Resources Conservation Challenge |
| Emergency Management | Superfund Enforcement |
| Environmental Justice | Superfund Program |
| Federal Facilities | Underground Storage Tanks |
| Land Revitalization | |

SUBMISSIONS/QUESTIONS

Nomination packages should be submitted by **March 26, 2010** with a transmittal memo signed by the Deputy Regional Administrator. Signed PDF copies of awards may be submitted electronically to mendes.jeanette@epa.gov or by mail:

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For more information, contact:

Brownfields, Jeanette Mendes - (202) 566-1887
Center for Program Analysis, Brigid Lowery- (202) 566-1737
Emergency Management, Jan Shubert - (202) 564-2527
Environmental Justice, Kent Benjamin - (202) 564-9095
Federal Facilities, Tencil Coffee - (703) 603-0053
Land Revitalization, Patricia Overmeyer - (202) 566-2774
RCRA Corrective Action, Mike Fitzpatrick - (703) 308-8411
RCRA RCC, John Glenn - (703) 308-0215
Regional Science, William Sette - (202) 566-1928
Superfund Enforcement, Rick Popino - (202) 564-5136
Superfund, David Alvaranga - (703) 603-8843
Superfund/Excellence in Community Involvement, David Alvaranga - (703) 603-8842
Underground Storage Tanks, Andrea Barbery - (703) 603-7137

Attachments:

- List of Awards
- Instructions/process
- Sample Transmittal Memo

cc:

Regional Counsels, Regions 1-10
RCRA Senior Policy Advisors, Regions 1-10
Superfund National Policy Managers, Regions 1-10
Science Contacts, Regions 1-10
Emergency Management Contacts, Regions 1-10
Brownfields Coordinators, Regions 1-10
OCFO Regional Comptrollers
OCFO Regional Budget Officers
UST Contacts, Regions 1-10
Reuse/Revitalization Contacts, Regions 1-10
NARPM Co-chairs
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