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SECTION 1

HAZARD EVALUATION AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE OFFICE AUTHORITIES, RESPONSIBILITIES, AND ORGANIZATION



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ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

ARAR	Applicable or relevant and appropriate requirements
CAB	Clean Air Branch
CAO	Compliance Assistance Office
CERCLA	Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation & Liability Act (also known as the Federal Superfund Law)
CWB	Clean Water Branch
DoD	Department of Defense
DSMOA	DoD State Memorandum of Agreement
EAL	Environmental Action Level
EHSD	Environmental Health Services Division
EMD	Environmental Management Division
EPCRA	Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act
EPO	Environmental Planning Office
EP&R	Emergency Preparedness & Response Section
ERO	Environmental Resources Office
HAR	Hawai'i Administrative Rules
Hawai'i SCP	Hawai'i State Contingency Plan (HAR, Title 11, Chapter 451)
HCIF	Hawai'i Chemical Inventory Form
HDOH	Hawai'i Department of Health
HEER Office	Office of Hazard Evaluation and Emergency Response
HEPCRA	Hawai'i Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act (HRS, Chapter 128E)
HERL	Hawai'i Environmental Response Law (HRS, Chapter 128D)
HRS	Hawai'i Revised Statutes
HSERC	Hawai'i State Emergency Response Commission
LEPC	Local Emergency Planning Committees
LOC	Letter of Completion
NCP	National Contingency Plan
OPA	Oil Pollution Act of 1990
RPM	Remedial Project Manager
SCP	State Contingency Plan
SDAR	Site Discovery, Assessment, and Remediation Section
SDWB	Safe Drinking Water Branch
SHWB	Solid and Hazardous Waste Branch
SLD	State Laboratories Division
SOSC	State On-Scene Coordinator
TGM	Technical Guidance Manual



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UECA	Uniform Environmental Covenants Act (HRS, Chapter 508C)
UIPA	Uniform Information Practices Act
USEPA	United States Environmental Protection Agency
UST	Underground Storage Tank Management
VRP	Voluntary Response Program
WWB	Wastewater Branch



1.0 HAZARD EVALUATION AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE OFFICE AUTHORITIES, RESPONSIBILITIES, AND ORGANIZATION

The Hawai'i Department of Health (HDOH) Office of Hazard Evaluation and Emergency Response (HEER Office) has responsibility and legal authority to respond to releases, threats of releases, or discoveries of hazardous substances, including oil, that present a substantial endangerment to public health or the environment. Responses may require:

1. Emergency response (see Section 2.3), and/or
2. Longer-term (non-emergency) environmental cleanup (see Section 2.4).

For information and guidance relating to emergency responses, see Section 2.3 and Section 20.1. All emergencies involving hazardous substance releases (e.g. recent hazardous substance spills, or identification of containers of hazardous substances that have spilled/leaked or present an imminent spill/leak hazard) should be reported immediately, as detailed in subsection 2.3.1.1 (Release Notification). This Technical Guidance Manual (TGM) primarily provides information and guidance to address non-emergency environmental cleanups. See Section 2.4 (Environmental Cleanups) for a brief overview of non-emergency environmental cleanups and other TGM sections for details. This includes guidance on the cleanup process, site assessment, sampling strategies, data quality control, analyses of samples, environmental hazard evaluations, cleanup technologies, reporting requirements, and other relevant information.