Your Asbestos and Small Business Ombudsman at Work

How ASBO Can Help You

One Program, Two Distinct Roles

ASBESTOS OMBUDSMAN

Are you concerned about asbestos in your school or building? Do you have general questions about asbestos?

We can help you find the answers and resources you need.

SMALL BUSINESS OMBUDSMAN

Are you a small business owner with questions about environmental regulations or compliance?

We can help you navigate the EPA regulatory process and connect you with technical experts.

Providing Three Cross-Cutting Ombudsman Functions



ADVOCATE

We advocate for small business interests during the EPA rulemaking process



CONNECT

We serve as the EPA liaison to connect the public and small business community to state and local resources



SERVE

We provide hotline assistance and fund a national environmental compliance assistance website



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Helping America's Small Businesses and Responding to General Asbestos Inquiries

Our Program

As part of the mission of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to protect human health and the environment, the ASBO program is committed to advocating for and partnering with the public and small business community to help improve environmental compliance and outcomes.

We achieve this goal by collaborating with various federal and state partners, including EPA leadership and programmatic experts. We also support public inquiries or concerns regarding asbestos through a toll-free hotline.

Asbestos and Small Business Ombudsman

Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization

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Our Services

- Serving as the Agency conduit of information and informal guidance to the regulated small business community
- Servicing a National Asbestos and Small Business Ombudsman Toll-Free Hotline (1-800-368-5888) and providing assistance with asbestos and small business-related concerns
- Monitoring and supporting the state Small Business Environmental Assistance Program (SBEAP), which provides local, direct assistance to small businesses on environmental compliance and sustainability
- Facilitating small business outreach and engagement to gain small business perspective and insight on rule development and compliance challenges



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