

## ANNUAL HAZARDOUS WASTE (HW) REPORT FOR EXPORTS OF HW TO A FOREIGN COUNTRY

Creating and Submitting Hazardous Waste Export Annual Reports in WIETS

## **Export Annual Report Regulatory Requirements:**

Exporters must file annual reports with EPA no later than March 1 of each year summarizing the types, quantities, frequency, and ultimate destination of all hazardous waste exported during the previous calendar year. For specific requirements for different wastes please see:

- Hazardous Waste including spent lead acid batteries (SLABs) and Universal Waste, 40 CFR 262.83(g)
- Cathode Ray Tubes, 40 CFR 261.39(a)(5)(x)
- Hazardous Secondary Materials, <u>40 CFR 261.4(a)(25)(xi)</u>

## WIETS and CDX:

- Waste Import Export Tracking System (WIETS)
  - USEPA's Office of Land and Emergency Management's information system used for:
    - Managing notifications for imports and exports of hazardous waste and conditionally excluded wastes; and
    - Managing export annual reports on shipments of hazardous waste and conditionally excluded wastes made the previous calendar year
- Central Data Exchange (CDX)
  - USEPA's electronic reporting site/portal for receiving legally acceptable data in various formats, including consolidated and integrated data, and verifying the user identity
  - Supports the requirements and procedures set forth under the Cross-Media Electronic Reporting Rule (CROMERR) which provides the legal framework for electronic reporting under all of EPA's environmental regulations
- An exporter wanting to file a notice or annual report in WIETS must first register and obtain an account in CDX. Once an account is established, exporters can submit their notifications and export annual reports via CDX to WIETS. Exporters access WIETS by logging into their CDX accounts
  - To register for electronic notification submission, importers and exporters must sign up at EPA's Central Data Exchange <u>https://cdx.epa.gov/Registration/Terms</u>

## WIETS – Annual Reporting Process Overview:

- Log into WIETS through CDX
- Start the report and select all your notices
- Update contact info, actual shipment info, and transporter details
- Sign the notice to submit to EPA (or assign the notice to the exporter for signature)
- Please see the <u>document</u> on the EPA website for visual instructions for the WIETS process.