

# New EPA e-Manifest System Is Launching

# Target Date for Compliance Is June 30, 2018

The EPA is establishing a new national system for tracking hazardous waste in accordance with the Hazardous Waste Electronic Manifest Establishment Act. The benefits of the new e-Manifest system include:

- A reduction of paperwork that is expected to save the industry and states approximately \$75 million annually
- Creation of a unified, single hub for one stop collection of manifest data and related reporting for use by EPA and all state agencies
- Improved accuracy and timely communication of information on waste shipments
- Rapid notification of discrepancies or other problems related to a particular shipment
- Increased effectiveness of compliance monitoring of waste shipments by regulators
- Hazardous waste shipments managed by Veolia will meet requirements in EPA's e-Manifest system and associated regulations by the 6/30/18 compliance date.



#### The e-Manifest Act and EPA Final Rule

Since 2001, the EPA has proposed moving from paper based to electronic based reporting for manifested hazardous waste shipments. The e-Manifest Act, enacted in 2012, gave EPA the authority to establish an electronic tracking system nationwide. In January 2018 EPA issued its Final Rule for the new e-Manifest system. Veolia is committed to implementing a solution that complies with anticipated requirements without disrupting our operations or inconveniencing our customers.

Veolia plans to implement a truly electronic shipping system in which data will be automatically pushed to EPA after every handler transaction. These additional capabilities will be functional at a date following the initial system launch. Initially, Veolia will comply with the new e-Manifest regulations through submission of a paper manifest, with an electronic data file uploaded to EPA's e-Manifest.

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## Who is affected by the rule?

The e-Manifest system will impact approximately 160,000 waste handlers in at least 45 industries that are involved in shipping off-site, transporting, and receiving about 5.9 million tons of RCRA hazardous wastes annually. Included are hazardous waste generators, hazardous waste transporters, and owners and operators of treatment, storage and disposal facilities (TSDFs).

For there to be a successful implementation of a fully functioning emanifest, we need good communication with our transportation/disposal partners. We will need to confirm with our customer, the waste generator that desires to use a full emanifest, that all handlers in the transaction, that is all transporters/receiving facility, are prepared to accept and electronically sign for the custody transfer.

### **How it impacts TSDFs**

- Veolia expects that there will be key customers who eventually require a fully electronic manifest process.
- Our expectation is that you, our disposal partners, have the same commitment as we do to implement a solution that complies with anticipated requirements without disrupting operations or inconveniencing our customers.
- The EPA has released the methodology they will use to determine user fees for the e-manifest system. However, exact costs have not been determined. Veolia is working toward a fully electronic shipping system and the lowest cost fee structure to best support our customers. Under the current draft fee schedule from the EPA, Veolia is expecting a \$7 per manifest fee in alignment with the hybrid e-manifest process (combination paper and electronic). We expect our disposal partners to be in similar alignment and to share this common goal.
- As more information becomes available, we will communicate our progress on the implementation of the program.

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