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## **MEMORANDUM**

**SUBJECT:** State Remedy Selection Reform

FROM: Michael B. Cook, Director s/Mike Cook

Office of Emergency and Remedial Response

**TO:** Superfund Regional Policy Managers

Regions 1 - 10

In 1993, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency announced the first of three rounds of Superfund Reforms. Each round of Reforms consisted of various initiatives and pilots focusing on changes that could be implemented within the existing statutory framework of the Superfund program. The Reforms were intended to accomplish various goals, ranging from national programmatic changes to changes affecting individual sites at every stage of the cleanup and enforcement process.

"Pilot Remedy Selection by Selected States and Tribes," otherwise known as the State Remedy Selection Reform, was one of the third round Reforms. The objectives were to pilot State remedy selection at certain sites, evaluate these pilots, and publicize the lessons learned from experiences at the pilot sites. Activities conducted under this Reform Initiative at 31 sites in EPA Regions 1, 2, 6, 7, 0, and 10 are summarized in the attached closeout report. The closeout report also contains a summary of key findings and recommendations for Regions and States who wish to engage in further State Remedy selection activities.

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