



ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 300

[EPA-HQ-OLEM-2025-0182; EPA-HQ-OLEM-2025-1146; EPA-HQ-OLEM-2025-3819; EPA-HQ-OLEM-2026-0001; EPA-HQ-OLEM-2026-0002; EPA-HQ-OLEM-2026-0003; EPA-HQ-OLEM-2026-0004; EPA-HQ-OLEM-2026-0166; FRL-13154-02-OLEM]

Deletion From the National Priorities List

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) announces the deletion of six sites and the partial deletion of two sites, from the Superfund National Priorities List (NPL). The NPL, created under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA) of 1980, as amended, is an appendix of the National Oil and Hazardous Substances Pollution Contingency Plan (NCP). In accordance with the NCP, sites may be deleted from the NPL where no further response is appropriate. The EPA and the applicable states, through their designated state agency, have determined that all appropriate response actions under CERCLA have been completed. However, this deletion does not preclude future actions under Superfund.

DATES: The document is effective [INSERT DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

ADDRESSES:

Docket: EPA has established a docket for this action under the Docket ID Nos. included in table 1 in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section of this document. All documents in the docket are listed on the <https://www.regulations.gov> web site. The Final Close-Out Report (FCOR, for a full site deletion) or the Partial Deletion Justification (PDJ, for a partial site deletion) is the primary document which summarizes site information to support the deletion. It

is typically written for a broad, non-technical audience and this document is included in the deletion docket for each of the sites in this rulemaking. Although listed in the index, some information is not publicly available, i.e., Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Certain other material, such as copyrighted material, is not placed on the internet and will be publicly available only in hard copy form. Docket materials are available through <https://www.regulations.gov> or at the corresponding Regional Records Centers. Locations, addresses, and phone numbers of the Regional Records Center follows.

- Region 2 (NJ, NY, PR, VI), U.S. EPA, 290 Broadway, New York, NY 10007-1866; telephone number: (212) 637-4308.
- Region 4 (AL, FL, GA, KY, MS, NC, SC, TN), U.S. EPA, 61 Forsyth Street, SW, Mail code 9T25, Atlanta, GA 30303; telephone number: (404) 562-8637.
- Region 5 (IL, IN, MI, MN, OH, WI), U.S. EPA Superfund Division Records Manager, Mail code SRC-7J, Metcalfe Federal Building, 7th Floor South, 77 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, IL 60604; telephone number: (312) 886-4465.
- Region 7 (IA, KS, MO, NE), U.S. EPA, 11201 Renner Blvd., Lenexa, KS 66219; telephone number: (913) 551-7079.
- EPA Headquarters Docket Center Reading Room (deletion dockets for all States), William Jefferson Clinton (WJC) West Building, Room 3334, 1301 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20004; telephone number: (202) 566-1744.

EPA staff listed below in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section may assist the public in answering inquiries about deleted sites, accessing deletion support documentation, and determining whether there are additional physical deletion dockets available.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The NPL, created under section 105 of CERCLA, as amended, is an appendix of the NCP. The NCP establishes the criteria that EPA uses to delete sites from the NPL. In accordance with 40 CFR 300.425(e), sites may be deleted from the NPL where no further response is appropriate. Partial deletion of sites is in accordance with 40 CFR 300.425(e) and is consistent with the Notice of Policy Change: Partial Deletion of Sites Listed on the National Priorities List, 60 FR 55466 (November 1, 1995). The sites to be deleted or partially deleted are listed in table 1, including docket information containing reference documents with the rationale and data principally relied upon by the EPA to determine that the Superfund response is complete. The NCP permits activities to occur at a deleted site, or that media or parcel of a partially deleted site, including operation and maintenance of the remedy, monitoring, and five-year reviews. These activities for the site are entered in table 1 in this **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section, if applicable, under

Footnote such that; 1= site, or portion of the site, has continued operation and maintenance of the remedy, 2= site, or portion of the site, receives continued monitoring, and 3= site, or portion of the site, five-year reviews are conducted. As described in 40 CFR 300.425(e)(3) of the NCP, a site or portion of a site deleted from the NPL remains eligible for Fund-financed remedial action if future conditions warrant such actions.

Table 1

Site name	City/county, state	Type	Docket number	Footnote
Velsicol Chemical Corp. (Illinois)	Marshall, IL	Partial	EPA-HQ-OLEM-2025-0182	1,3
Rowe Industries Gnd Water Contamination	Noyack/Sag Harbor, NY	Full	EPA-HQ-OLEM-2025-1146	
Kerr-McGee (Kress Creek/W Branch DuPage)	DuPage County, IL	Full	EPA-HQ-OLEM-2025-3819	
Caldwell Lace Leather Co., Inc	Auburn, KY	Full	EPA-HQ-OLEM-2026-0001	
Pepper Steel & Alloys, Inc	Medley, FL	Full	EPA-HQ-OLEM-2026-0002	1,2,3
Miami Drum Services	Miami, FL	Full	EPA-HQ-OLEM-2026-0003	
Diamond Shamrock Corp. Landfill	Cedartown, GA	Full	EPA-HQ-OLEM-2026-0004	
Hastings Ground Water Contamination	Hastings, NE	Partial	EPA-HQ-OLEM-2026-0166	1,3

1= Site, or portion of the site, has continued operation and maintenance of the remedy.

2= Site, or portion of the site, receives continued monitoring.

3= Site, or portion of the site, five-year reviews are conducted.

Information concerning the sites to be deleted and partially deleted from the NPL, and the proposed rule for the deletion and partial deletion of the sites, are included in table 2.

Table 2

Site name	Date, proposed rule	FR citation	Public comment	Responsiveness summary	Full site deletion (full) or media/parcels/description for partial deletion
Velsicol Chemical Corp. (Illinois)	03/04/2026	91-FR- 10557	Yes	No	270-acre land/soils portion of the Site
Rowe Industries Gnd Water Contamination	03/04/2026	91-FR- 10557	No	No	Full
Kerr-McGee (Kress Creek/W Branch DuPage)	03/04/2026	91-FR- 10557	No	No	Full
Caldwell Lace Leather Co., Inc	03/04/2026	91-FR- 10557	No	No	Full
Pepper Steel & Alloys, Inc	03/04/2026	91-FR- 10557	No	No	Full
Miami Drum Services	03/04/2026	91-FR- 10557	No	No	Full
Diamond Shamrock Corp. Landfill	03/04/2026	91-FR- 10557	No	No	Full
Hastings Ground Water Contamination	03/04/2026	91-FR- 10557	No	No	Groundwater at Operable Unit 2 and the Source Control Landfill Cap at Operable Unit 10, collectively known as the North Landfill subsite.

For the sites proposed for deletion and partial deletion, the closing date for comments in the proposed rule was April 03, 2026. The EPA received one public comment which was submitted to the docket for the Velsicol Chemical Corp. (Illinois) site. The comment was

supportive of all the proposed deletion actions in the rule and was not site-specific. EPA did not consider the submission to be an adverse public comment, and no Responsiveness Summary was prepared. The EPA placed the public comment submission for the Velsicol Chemical Corp. (Illinois) site in the docket specified in table 1, on <https://www.regulations.gov>, and in the appropriate Regional Records Center listed in the **ADDRESSES** section.

The EPA maintains the NPL as the list of sites that appear to present a significant risk to public health, welfare, or the environment. Deletion from the NPL does not preclude further remedial action. Whenever there is a significant release from a site deleted from the NPL, the deleted site may be restored to the NPL without application of the hazard ranking system. Deletion of a site from the NPL does not affect responsible party liability in the unlikely event that future conditions warrant further actions.

List of Subjects in 40 CFR Part 300

Environmental protection, Air pollution control, Chemicals, Hazardous substances, Hazardous waste, Intergovernmental relations, Natural resources, Oil pollution, Penalties, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Superfund, Water pollution control, Water supply.

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For reasons set out in the preamble, the EPA amends 40 CFR part 300 as follows:

**PART 300—NATIONAL OIL AND HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES POLLUTION
CONTINGENCY PLAN**

1. The authority citation for part 300 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 33 U.S.C. 1251 *et seq.*; 42 U.S.C. 9601-9657; E.O. 13626, 77 FR 56749, 3 CFR, 2013 Comp., p. 306; E.O. 12777, 56 FR 54757, 3 CFR, 1991 Comp., p. 351; E.O. 12580, 52 FR 2923, 3 CFR, 1987 Comp., p. 193.

2. In appendix B to part 300, amend table 1 by:

- a. Removing the entry for “FL”, “Miami Drum Services”, “Miami”.
- b. Removing the entry for “FL”, “Pepper Steel & Alloys, Inc”, “Medley”.
- c. Removing the entry for “GA”, “Diamond Shamrock Corp. Landfill”, “Cedartown”.
- d. Removing the entry for “IL”, “Kerr-McGee (Kress Creek/W Branch DuPage)”, “DuPage County”.
- e. Revising the entry for “IL”, “Velsicol Chemical Corp. (Illinois)”, “Marshall”.
- f. Removing the entry for “KY”, “Caldwell Lace Leather Co., Inc”, “Auburn”.
- g. Revising the entry for “NE”, “Hastings Ground Water Contamination”, “Hastings”.
- h. Removing the entry for “NY”, “Rowe Industries Gnd Water Contamination”, Noyack/Sag Harbor”.

The revisions read as follows:

Appendix B to Part 300-National Priorities List

Table 1-General Superfund Section

State	Site name	City/County	Notes (a)
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IL	Velsicol Chemical Corp. (Illinois)	Marshall	P
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NE	Hastings Ground Water Contamination	Hastings	P

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P = Sites with partial deletion(s).

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