

Newsline

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LOCAL EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLANS

DUE TO STATE BY OCTOBER 17th

Local communities across Texas are required by law to submit a comprehensive emergency response plan to state officials by October 17, 1988. The Emergency Planning and Community Right to Know Act--or Title III--requires that each plan include:

- o identification of facilities that make or store hazardous chemicals;
- o routes used to transport hazardous substances;
- o methods to determine whether a release has occurred;
- o a description of emergency equipment in the community and at industrial facilities;
- o evacuation plans; and
- o training programs

Texas state officials estimate that 847 of the state's 1,422 emergency planning committees have complete a basic plan. Other areas have had problems with funding and resources. How is compliance in your community?

On Wednesday, October 12, 1988, NEWSLINE will broadcast via satellite a newsfeed on the Title III Emergency Planning Deadline featuring Jim Makris, Director of Preparedness, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and Joseph Kelley, Manager, Community Awareness Emergency Response (CAER), Chemical Manufacturers Association. This feed is for your free and unrestricted use.

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