



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

REGION 4

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MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Region 4 Request for Approval of a Ceiling Increase that Exceeds \$6 million for a Removal Action at the Liberty Fibers Site, Morristown, Hamblen County, Tennessee
TRANSMITTAL

FROM:  Franklin E. Hill, Director
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THRU: Lawrence M. Stanton, Director
Office of Emergency Management

TO: Mathy Stanislaus, Assistant Administrator
Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response

This memorandum requests Headquarters' approval of a ceiling increase that exceeds \$6 million for the ongoing removal action at the Liberty Fibers Site, Morristown, Hamblen County, Tennessee. This proposed removal involves asbestos as the principal contaminant of concern and received concurrence from the Director of the Office of Emergency Management (OEM) on June 23, 2011.

I have discussed this proposed removal with Regional Counsel, OGC and OECA, and they concur with the proposed action. I agree that it is appropriate to take this action to address the immediate threat to public health and the environment posed by a variety of hazardous wastes and substances, including asbestos fibers and ACM inside an abandoned Rayon plant and other buildings, ACM contaminated soils and debris, flammable and corrosive liquids in drums and other wastes.

I recommend that you approve the increased cost ceiling by signing the approval line in Section X of the attached Ceiling Increase and Change in Scope Action Memorandum.

Attachment