# NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

SARA Title III Basics

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## Objectives:

- Brief history of SARA
- The regulations
- 5 Ws of Tier 2 reporting
- Tier II in the NDEQ

## Bhopal, India – Disaster

- METHYL ISOCYANATE LEAK PRODUCES A TOXIC CLOUD
  - Where: Bhopal, India (Union Carbide Facility)
  - When: December 3, 1984 (at 12:14 AM)
  - Result: 3,800 people dead
    - 11,000 people with disabilities
    - 40 people with permanent disabilities
    - 2,800 people with partial permanent disabilities

# Bhopal, India



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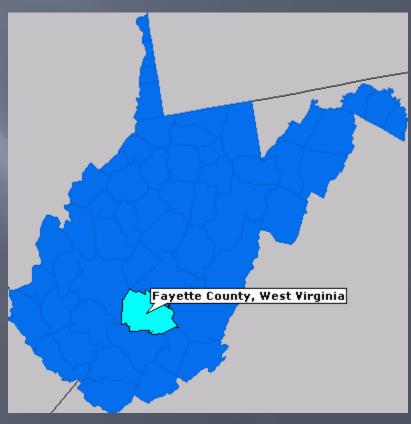


# Institute, West Virginia

- Aldicarb Oxime
- Where: Institute, West Virginia
- When: August, 1985
- Result: A cloud of Aldicarb Oxime was released from another Union Carbide facility into a valley area. Hundreds of residents went to the hospital complaining of burning eyes and throat.

# Institute, West Virginia





# Institute West Virginia(Union Carbide)



#### **The Regulations**

Emergency Planning (Sections 301-303)

#### Section 301

Establishment of State Emergency Response Commissions (SERCs) and Local Emergency Planning Committees (LEPCs).

#### Section 302

Sets a one-time reporting requirement for facilities with Extremely Hazardous Substances (EHS).

#### **Section 303**

Requires LPEC's to create regional emergency response plans based working with information from facilities covered under Section 302.

**Emergency Release Notification (Section 304)** 

#### **Section 304**

In the event of a chemical release facilities are required to report.

Hazardous Chemical Storage Reporting Requirements, a.k.a. Community Right-to-Know (Sections 311-312)

#### Section 311

MSDS Reporting

#### Section 312

Tier II Reporting.

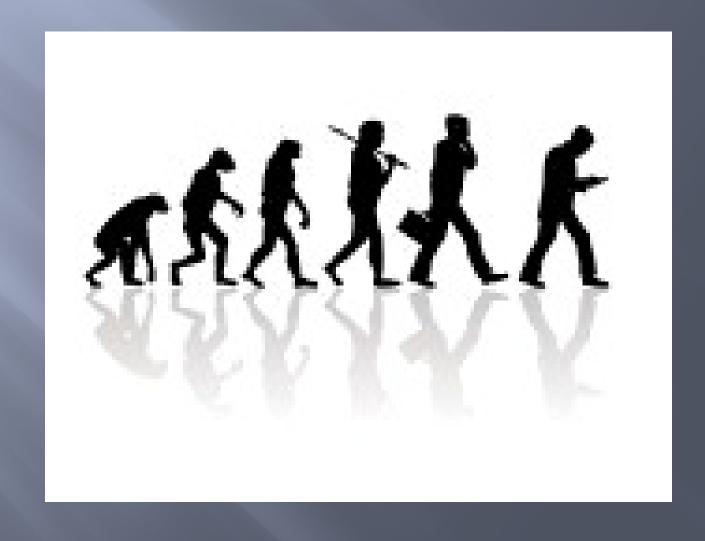
#### Section 313

Toxic Chemical Release Inventory (TRI Reporting)

# SARA Title III Tier 2 Reporting

- Who
- What
- When
- Where
- Why
- How

# History of Tier II at the NDEQ



### SARA Title III - Questions

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