

REQUEST FOR RECORDS DISPOSITION AUTHORITY		JOB NUMBER <i>NI-412-08-8</i>	
To. NATIONAL ARCHIVES and RECORDS ADMINISTRATION (NIR) WASHINGTON, DC 20408		DATE RECEIVED <i>3/29/07</i>	
1 FROM (Agency or establishment) U.S. Environmental Protection Agency		<p align="center">NOTIFICATION TO AGENCY</p> <p>In accordance with the provisions of 44 U.S.C. 3303a, the disposition request, including amendments, is approved except for items that may be marked <u>Adisposition not approved</u> or <u>Awithdrawn</u> in column 10</p>	
2 MAJOR SUBDIVISION			
3 MINOR SUBDIVISION			
4 NAME OF PERSON WITH WHOM TO CONFER John B. Ellis	5 TELEPHONE 202-566-1643	DATE <i>9/16/08</i>	ARCHIVIST OF THE UNITED STATES <i>[Signature]</i>
<p>6 AGENCY CERTIFICATION</p> <p>I hereby certify that I am authorized to act for this agency in matters pertaining to the disposition of its records and that the records proposed for disposal on the attached 3 page(s) are not now needed for the business of this agency or will not be needed after the retention periods specified, and that written concurrence from the General Accounting Office, under the provisions of Title 8 of the GAO manual for Guidance of Federal Agencies,</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is not required, <input type="checkbox"/> is attached, or <input type="checkbox"/> has been requested</p>			
DATE <i>3/26/07</i>	SIGNATURE OF AGENCY REPRESENTATIVE John B Ellis <i>[Signature]</i>	TITLE Agency Records Officer	
7 Item No	8 DESCRIPTION OF ITEM AND PROPOSED DISPOSITION	9. GRS OR SUPERSEDED JOB CITATION	10 ACTION TAKEN (NARA USE ONLY)

EPA 095 Web Sites

At 9/16/08 copies sent to Agency, Newark, NJ

This schedule is in draft. It may be used to retire records, but may not be used to destroy records. If you have any questions, please contact the Records Help Desk.

EPA Records Schedule 095

Status: Draft, 06/30/2008

Title: Web Sites

Program: All Programs

Applicability: Agency-wide

Function: 305-109-02-03 - Provide Public and Agency Web Access

NARA Disposal Authority:

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Description:

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This schedule covers records such as software used to maintain the site, the content on the site, site management documentation, and backend systems that are not covered by other schedules. It applies to the Internet, intranet, extranet and portals.

Web content records are covered by the applicable records schedules for the functions they support; e.g., Web pages related to Superfund remedial sites are covered by EPA 014. If the Web content records are unique and not covered by existing schedules, they must be scheduled separately.

Disposition Instructions:

~~Item a: System software and documentation~~

Non-record

~~Includes software used for creating and maintaining the site.~~

- **Disposable**
- Destroy when no longer needed to ensure access to and use of the records throughout the authorized retention period.

Item b: Site management and operations

Includes reports, statistics, procedures and approvals.

- **Disposable**
- Close inactive records at end of year.
- Destroy 5 years after file closure.

Item c: Log files

Includes unprocessed log files, application logs, and similar files.

- **Disposable**
- Destroy when 3 months old.

Item d: Web content - not unique

Includes markup language, code, textual and audiovisual files, contextual hyperlinks, and content from backend systems used to generate static or dynamic content on the site(s), as well as screen captures and site snapshots, when the record copy is captured elsewhere.

- **Disposable**
- Destroy when superseded, obsolete, or no longer needed to conduct Agency business, whichever is later, but not longer than the retention of the record copy. See EPA 008 - Nonrecords.

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- **Varies**
- Follow the disposition instructions for the applicable records schedule. If not covered by existing schedules, contact the National Records Management Program (NRMP) to develop a new one.

Guidance:

Web content records documenting EPA's operations, decisions, and actions that are needed to protect the legal and financial rights of the government and the public must be captured in a recordkeeping system and retained in accordance with the applicable records schedules. If the Web content records are unique and not covered by existing schedules, program offices must contact the NRMP to prepare a records schedule. Additional guidance on managing Web records is available at: (URL to be added).

Organizations need to pay particular attention to Web content with potential regulatory, enforcement or other legal impact, as well as events of historical significance (e.g., World Trade Center, Hurricane Katrina). For example, if an organization is offering guidance to the regulated community, it needs to retain

a complete record in its recordkeeping system of what that guidance was, how long it was posted and URLs referenced by hyperlinks.

Changes to the Web content records, such as major additions or deletions that might affect decisions or actions by the public or regulated community are covered under item d or e. Documentation on minor editorial or non-substantive changes (e.g., correcting typographical errors) may not need to be kept, depending upon a risk analysis. More information on assessing records management risks associated with Web sites can be found in NARA's guidance at:

<http://www.archives.gov/records-mgmt/policy/managing-web-records.html>.

This schedule also covers podcasts, streaming media, and other popular forms of transmission.

See EPA 094 for electronic bulletin boards and other collaborative technologies such as blogs and wikis. Records related to policy on site management are covered by EPA 007.

Reasons for Disposition:

The proposed retention meets EPA's administrative needs. Unique Web content that meets the definition of a record and is not covered by an existing schedule will be scheduled separately.

Custodians:

Multiple units

Related Schedules:

EPA 007, EPA 094

Previous NARA Disposal Authority:

Entry: 10/29/1996

EPA Approval: 03/26/2007

NARA Approval: Pending

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