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Term

Hazardous Substance

Definition: CERCLA defines a hazardous substance as "(A) any substance designated pursuant to section 1321(b0(2)(A) of Title 33, (B) any element, compound, mixture, solution or substance designated pursuant to section 9602 of this title, (C) any hazardous waste having the characteristics identified in under or listed pursuant to section 3001 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act (but not including any waste the regulation of which the Solid Waste Disposal Act has been suspended by Act or Congress), (D) any toxic pollutant listed under section 1317(a) of Title 33, (E) any imminently hazardous chemical substance or mixture with respect to which the (EPA) Administrator has taken action pursuant to section 2606 of Title 15. The term does not (within the context of CERCLA) include petroleum, crude oil or any fraction thereof which is not otherwise specifically listed or designated as a hazardous substance (by CERCLA)...The term (hazardous substance) does not include natural gas, natural gas liquids, liquified natural gas, or synthetic natural gas usable for fuel (or mixtures of natural gas and such synthetic gas).

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