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### 2017 RCRA Changes - Are You Still in Compliance?

Last month we talked a bit about the importance of getting an On-Site Review every two years and we were excited to have some of you get a repeat review scheduled with us! Along those same lines, this month we're focusing on a specific regulation that saw some changes earlier this year – the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA).



RCRA dictates hazardous and non-hazardous solid waste management and the changes made this year were the first ones in over 30 years made to a portion of the regulation known as the Hazardous Waste Generator Improvements Rule.

Over 60 changes aimed to reorganize the rule to make it easier to understand and address ambiguities are included in the rule change. Additionally, the updates provide greater flexibility for hazardous waste generators to manage waste in a cost-effective manner through episodic generation and Very Small Quantity Generators of Hazardous Waste – Large Quantity Generators (VSQG-LQG) consolidation provisions. [READ MORE](#)

## IWRC NEWS

### Does Your Facility Have an Air Quality Construction Permit?

We created a short video tutorial to go along with our AQ101 series to help you answer that question. Additionally, the tutorial will guide you through understanding your permit to ensure you are in compliance with the required operating or monitoring conditions. [Watch Tutorial](#)

### STAR4D Program Featured in UNI Panther Caucus



Spray Technique Analysis and Research for Defense, IWRC's military painter training program, was featured last week for its exceptional work towards supporting military safety and readiness. [Read More](#)

## Iowa Rural Communities Food Waste Reduction Project: Postville and Chariton\*

The Iowa Rural Communities Food Waste Reduction Project, funded by the United States Department of Agriculture Rural Utilities Service, gave the IWRC the wonderful opportunity to work with four communities throughout Iowa: Postville, Chariton, Lamoni, and Bloomfield. Within these communities, the focus was on industrial, commercial and institutional (ICI) entities as well as sharing ideas with community members. This post will highlight all that was accomplished in Postville and Chariton. [Read More](#)



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## INDUSTRY NEWS

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### Nominations Open for National Small Business Week Awards

January 9, 2018 is the deadline for National Small Business Week Award nominations. The awards serve to recognize America's small businesses and entrepreneurs, especially those that are highly innovative, provide outstanding service to their customers as well those who contribute to disaster recovery. The awards are presented by the U.S. Small Business Administration as part of National Small Business Week, held April 29 - May 5, 2018. [Read More](#)

#### | Food Waste |

[By using surplus food, U.S. cities could tackle hunger, waste problems](#) (Reuters)

#### | Solid Waste |

[How Software is Helping Modernize Waste & Recycling Back Office Operations](#) (Waste360)

#### | Iowa |

[Public Comment Period for the 2016 Iowa Greenhouse Gas Inventory Report](#) (Iowa DNR)

#### | Iowa |

[Plan to 'Energize Des Moines' aims to reduce consumption of resources in largest buildings](#) (Business Record)

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