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Executive Summary

Chlorinated dioxins and furans belong to a class of pollutants that build up (bioaccumulate) in human and animal tissue, persist in the environment, and are toxic. Pollutants with these characteristics are referred to as “bioaccumulative chemicals of concern” (BCCs). They raise special challenges for society and the environment because, long after being generated, they continue to pose threats in the food chain and the environment.

Within the Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology), programs responsible for air quality, water quality, sediment quality and waste management share responsibility for these pollutants. The Bioaccumulative Chemicals of Concern (BCC) Committee is comprised of representatives for these programs and addresses agency-wide issues associated with toxic, persistent, and bioaccumulative pollutants.

The Washington State Dioxin Source Assessment is sponsored by the BCC Committee. The purposes of this report are to:

- Summarize what Ecology *knows* and *does not know* about dioxin sources in Washington State.
- *Recommend actions* Ecology might take to (1) improve its understanding of dioxin sources and (2) reduce the magnitude and impact of these sources on the state’s citizens and environment.

This report provides background information on chlorinated dioxins and furans (collectively referred to in this report as “dioxins”). A simple source and fate model is presented to help describe the movement of dioxins from source to environmental and human receptors.

Next, the report discusses (1) steps taken to locate and process data for confirmed and potential dioxin sources in Washington State, and (2) the limitations imposed by sparse data. The data are presented, discussed and interpreted in the *Results and Discussion* section. This section also describes data gaps.

For the purposes of this report a “source category” is defined as a group of sources engaging in a similar process (e.g., incineration or wood-treating with pentachlorophenol). A “confirmed source category” is a source category for which there are adequate data to calculate a dioxin load from at least one individual source in that group.

Information provided for each of the confirmed source categories includes:

- Data on the amount of dioxin generated by, or released by, sources in each category.
- Potential for dioxin generated by facilities to be dispersed or contained.
- Number of facilities in each category and the relative data coverage (e.g., the proportion of facilities in each source category having dioxin data).
- Whether the calculated dioxin loads were from facilities that continue to operate, or from facilities that are now closed.
- National rank, estimated from the relative magnitude of each source category, based on EPA’s 1994 national dioxin source assessment.

From this information each source category is assigned two *importance* rankings: 1) the importance of collecting additional dioxin data, and 2) the importance of additional source control and reduction. Table 1a summarizes the importance rankings for confirmed source categories.

Table 1a. Importance of Additional Data Collection and Source Control: Confirmed Source Categories

| Source Category | Importance of Obtaining Additional Data | Importance of Source Reduction/Control |
|--------------------------------|---|--|
| Incinerators | High | Variable ¹ |
| Hog Fuel (Wood Waste) Boilers | High | Potentially High |
| Bleached Pulp and Paper | Medium | Medium |
| Cement Kilns | Medium/Low | Medium/Low |
| Activated Carbon Regeneration | Medium/High | Low |
| Municipal Wastewater Treatment | High | Potentially Medium |

For some source categories, the amount of dioxin generated could not be determined from available data. These *potential* source categories are discussed and the available information presented. In some cases, available data show concentrations of dioxins associated with the source, but these data are inadequate to calculate the amount of dioxin being generated or released. Potential source categories include cleanup sites, wood treating facilities using pentachlorophenol, and oil refineries. The importance rankings of these sources are shown in Table 1b.

Table 1b. Evaluation of the “Importance” of Other Source Categories

| Source Category | Importance of Additional Data Collection |
|-----------------|--|
| Wood Treaters | High |
| Cleanup Sites | Variable |
| Oil Refineries | Medium |

¹ Importance of sequestering fly ash is high.

Overall conclusions and associated recommendations, many of which are based on the importance ratings shown above, are presented. These are summarized below:

Conclusion 1. Dioxin data are incomplete.

Recommendations: A series of recommendations to fill high priority data gaps are provided. These recommendations focus on improving the quantity and quality of dioxin data available for hog fuel boilers, incinerators, bleached pulp mills, wood-treating facilities using pentachlorophenol, and several other sources.

Conclusion 2. Two of the facilities with some of the highest estimated dioxin loads ceased operation in 1997. These were the Rayonier pulp mill in Port Angeles and the Cameron-Yakima activated carbon regeneration facility in Yakima.

Recommendations: Carry out follow-up dioxin monitoring in the vicinity of these facilities to evaluate the extent of off-site contamination and provide a sound basis for future actions.

Conclusion 3. Hog-fuel (wood-waste) boilers and incinerators rate highest in importance for further source reduction.

Recommendations: Steps to reduce dioxin loads from these source categories are presented.

Conclusion 4. Compiling existing data on dioxin detected in Washington State's environment will help put these source data in context.

Recommendations: Compile soil, sediment, fish and shellfish dioxin data. Based on the results of this compilation, conduct monitoring to fill critical data gaps and track key environmental indicators. These indicators will show the effectiveness of actions taken to reduce dioxin in the environment.

Conclusion 5. This dioxin source assessment provides a major first step in implementing Ecology's strategy for managing bioaccumulative, persistent and toxic compounds.

Recommendation: Use information from this and subsequent BCC projects to advance and improve strategies that address the management and elimination of bioaccumulative pollutants.

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Acronyms

| | | |
|---------------|---|--|
| <i>APC</i> | – | Air Pollution Control |
| <i>APCD</i> | – | Air Pollution Control Device |
| <i>AQP</i> | – | Air Quality Program |
| <i>ASB</i> | – | Activated Sludge Basin |
| <i>BAF</i> | – | Bioaccumulation Factor |
| <i>BCC</i> | – | Bioaccumulative Chemicals of Concern (Committee) |
| <i>BCF</i> | – | Bioconcentration Factor |
| <i>CKD</i> | – | Cement Kiln Dust |
| <i>d</i> | – | Day |
| <i>DMR</i> | – | Daily Monitoring Report |
| <i>EILS</i> | – | Environmental Investigations and Laboratory Services |
| <i>EPA</i> | – | United States Environmental Protection Agency |
| <i>HWTR</i> | – | Hazardous Waste and Toxics Reduction Program |
| <i>IARC</i> | – | International Agency for Research on Cancer |
| <i>LC50</i> | – | Concentration Lethal to 50% of the Population |
| <i>mg</i> | – | milligram |
| <i>MTCA</i> | – | Model Toxics Control Act |
| <i>NPDES</i> | – | National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System |
| <i>NT</i> | – | Not Tested |
| <i>PCB</i> | – | Polychlorinated Biphenyl |
| <i>PCDD/F</i> | – | Polychlorinated Dibenzodioxins and Furans |
| <i>PCP</i> | – | Pentachlorophenol |
| <i>ppb</i> | – | parts per billion |
| <i>pptr</i> | – | parts per trillion |
| <i>QA/QC</i> | – | Quality Assurance/Quality Control |
| <i>RACT</i> | – | Reasonable Available Control Technology |
| <i>RCRA</i> | – | Resource Conservation and Recovery Act |
| <i>SWFAP</i> | – | Solid Waste and Financial Assistance Program |
| <i>TCDD</i> | – | Tetrachlorodibenzodioxin |
| <i>TCDF</i> | – | Tetrachlorodibenzofuran |
| <i>TCP</i> | – | Toxics Cleanup Program |
| <i>TEF</i> | – | Toxicity Equivalent Factor |
| <i>TEQ</i> | – | Toxic Equivalent |
| <i>WAC</i> | – | Washington Administrative Code |
| <i>WPLCS</i> | – | Wastewater Permit Life Cycle System |
| <i>WQP</i> | – | Water Quality Program |

Introduction

Purpose

Polychlorinated dioxins and furans belong to a class of pollutants that are persistent, toxic and bioaccumulative. Pollutants with these characteristics remain in the environment for decades, often moving from one media to another (e.g., from water or air to soil and sediment). Additionally, they enter and are distributed through the food web, accumulating in the tissues of animals, including humans. Because these contaminants cross boundaries between environmental media, they are regulated by a variety of laws, regulations and programs. For all these reasons they raise unique, often difficult, management challenges. The Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) Bioaccumulative Chemicals of Concern (BCC) Committee was formed to address these pollutants and respond to the challenges raised by managing them.

As an initial step toward improving the management of persistent, toxic, and bioaccumulative pollutants, the BCC Committee sponsored an effort to gather, consolidate and assess information about the sources of one group of these pollutants: the polychlorinated dioxins and furans. (In this report, this family of chemicals is referred to simply as “dioxins”.) The federal Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) undertook a similar effort as part of a large national study (EPA, 1994a, 1994b). Although the EPA draft report provided much valuable information, it was not clear how relevant the information on sources was to conditions in Washington State.

The purpose of the Washington State Dioxin Source Assessment study is to identify actual (“confirmed”) and potential in-state sources of dioxins. The magnitude of sources and importance of source categories are evaluated using existing data. Understanding the sources of dioxins is a logical first step towards an effective management strategy that will reduce their generation and dispersal.

This report:

- Summarizes what Ecology *knows* and *does not know* about dioxin sources in Washington State.
- Recommends actions Ecology might take to (1) improve its understanding of dioxin sources and (2) reduce the magnitude and impact of these sources on the state’s citizens and environment.

Background

Dioxins are unintended byproducts formed during combustion of organic compounds in the presence of chloride, incineration of municipal and hospital wastes, and chlorine bleaching of wood pulp (Alcock and Jones, 1996; Birnbaum, 1994, Rappe, 1984). The production of certain chlorinated organic chemicals also produces dioxins; they are contaminants in certain chlorinated organic products (e.g., pentachlorophenol [PCP] – a wood preservative). Dioxins have no commercial or domestic applications and are not intentionally produced, except for small quantities used in research (ATSDR, 1989; Federal Register, 1997).

Chemical Structure

There are 210 different forms (or congeners) of polychlorinated dibenzo-p-dioxins and polychlorinated dibenzofurans (dioxins and furans). These are identified by the number and location of chlorine atoms on the molecule. The most toxic of these congeners have chlorine atoms at four specific sites (the 2,3,7 and 8 positions). Figure 1 shows the structure and numbering system for these congeners. The most toxic of the dioxins is 2,3,7,8-tetrachloro dibenzo-p-dioxin (2,3,7,8-TCDD). The 16 other dioxins and furans with chlorines at the 2,3,7 and 8 positions have been assigned toxicity values relative to 2,3,7,8-TCDD.

These relative toxicity values are called toxicity equivalency factors (TEFs). 2,3,7,8-TCDD is assigned a TEF of 1, and the other congeners are assigned values less than 1. TEFs are used to express a total toxicity of dioxins when the concentration of each congener is multiplied by its TEF and all the products are added up (called dioxin equivalents or TEQs).

Concentrations of dioxins and furans in the environmental media (e.g., wastewater, tissue, ash) are typically expressed as TEQs. An example of this calculation is shown in Appendix A, Table A-1.

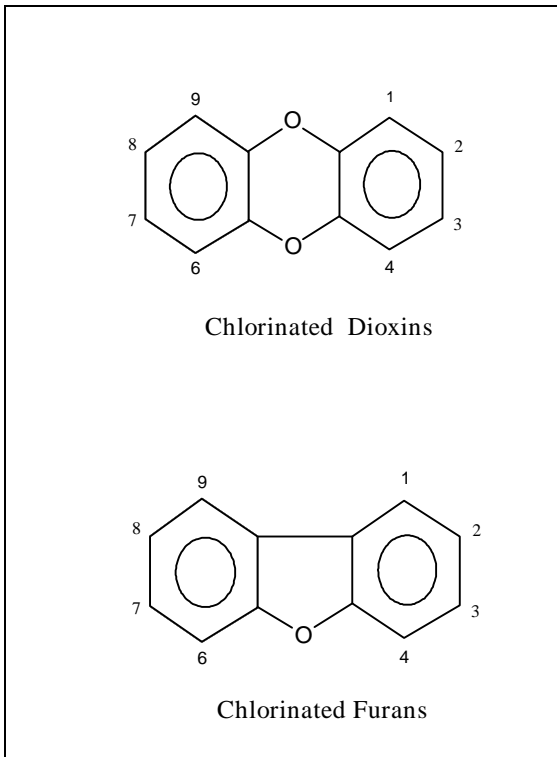


Figure 1. Chlorinated Dioxin and Furan Structures

Persistence, Bioaccumulation, and Toxicity

As previously noted, Ecology is focusing on the management challenges raised by toxic, persistent, and bioaccumulative pollutants. This section briefly characterizes dioxins with respect to these three attributes.

Persistence

Persistence is the resistance of chemicals to decomposition. One measure of persistence is half-life ($T_{1/2}$): the time required for 50% of the compound to degrade through chemical, biochemical, and photochemical processes (Environment Canada, 1994). Dioxins are extremely persistent in many environmental media. For example, their half-life in anaerobic soils is estimated to be 10 to 12 years; in sediments it may be decades or centuries (Atkinson, 1992). EPA (1994b) summarizes results from four studies of 2,3,7,8-TCDD concentrations in human subjects; estimates of its half-life ranged from 5.8 to 11.3 years. Atkinson (1992) estimates the half-life for dioxins in human tissue at about five to seven years.

Bioaccumulation

Bioaccumulation is defined as the accumulation of chemicals in organisms from the surrounding media through absorption, ingestion and inhalation (Environment Canada, 1994). The bioaccumulation potential of a substance can be expressed as the bioaccumulation factor (BAF) or the bioconcentration factor (BCF) (Environment Canada, 1994). The BCF is the ratio of a chemical concentration in an organism to the chemical's concentration in the organism's surrounding media, assuming steady-state equilibrium. BCFs are calculated under controlled laboratory tests where chemical uptake is derived solely from surrounding media. The BAF is a similar ratio, but both surrounding media and food-chain uptake are considered. BAFs are often calculated from field data (Environment Canada, 1994).

Dioxins are lipophilic (fat-loving) compounds and are therefore readily accumulated by most animals. BCFs have been measured for 2,3,7,8-TCDD by many investigators and range from about 1,000 to 86,000 in aquatic organisms (Marty and Shusterman, 1992).

Toxicity

Toxicity covers a wide range of deleterious effects of a chemical on biological systems. These effects may be acute (immediate response) or chronic (long-term response). Dioxins are toxic at very low dosages. Mehrle *et al.* (1988) report that 50% of juvenile rainbow trout died when exposed to 0.045 parts 2,3,7,8-TCDD per trillion for 28 days.

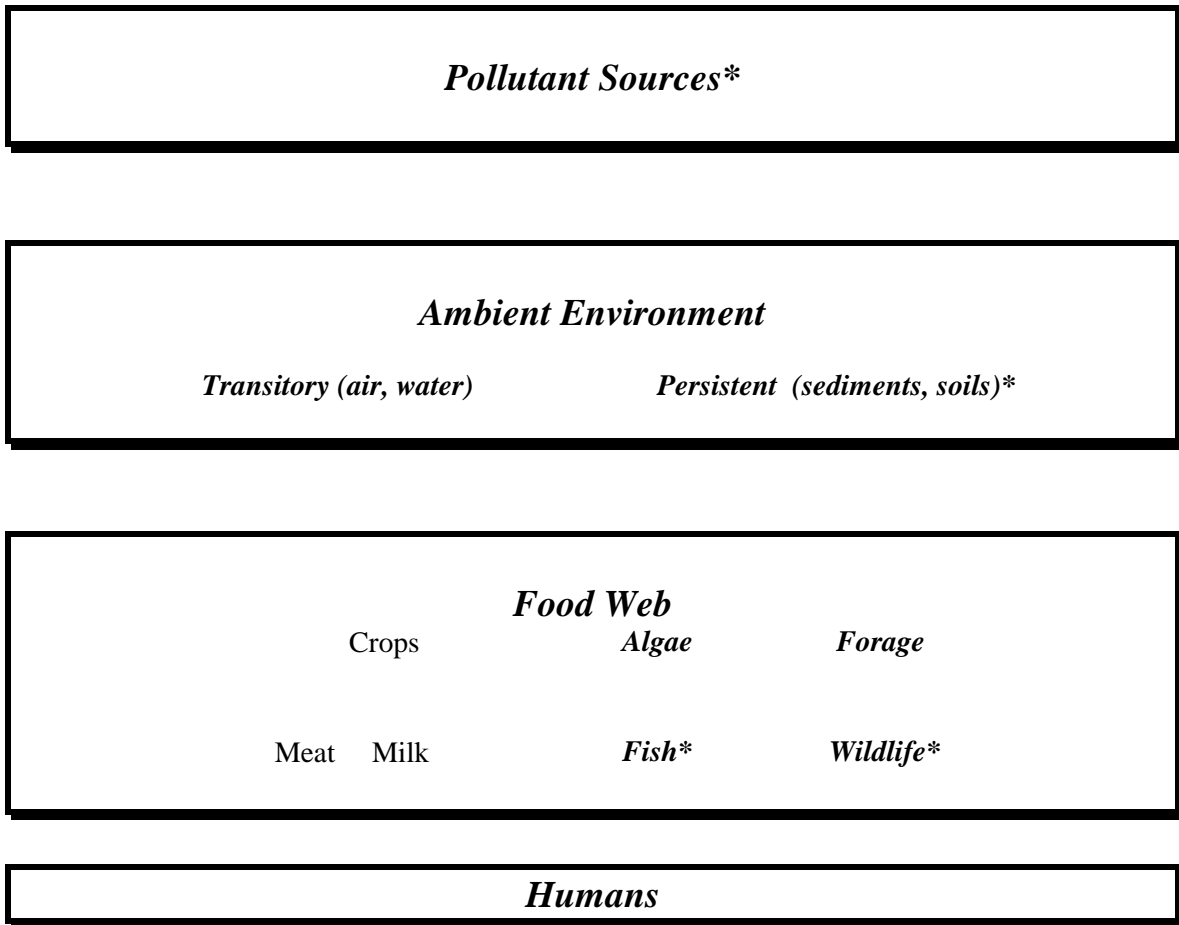
Chronic effects include soft tissue sarcomas, thymus and liver damage, birth defects, reproductive impairment, and immune system depression (Holloway, 1990; Birnbaum, 1994). Recently, the International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) concluded that 2,3,7,8-TCDD is a "known human carcinogen" (EPA, 1997a).

Recent concern about the effects of dioxins on organisms has increasingly focused on endocrine disruption and reproductive impairment (EPA, 1997b). The EPA states "...2,3,7,8-TCDD is one of the most, if not the most, potent reproductive/developmental toxicants known" and "studies in various animal species have also demonstrated that the immune system is a target for toxicity of 2,3,7,8-TCDD" (Federal Register, 1997).

Because of dioxin's potency, regulatory standards and criteria are set at very low concentrations (Appendix Table A-2).

From Source to Human Exposure

Figure 2 shows a conceptual model for primary dioxin exposure pathways for most organisms, including humans. The top of the figure represents dioxin sources. Dioxins may be released directly to air, land, and water. They move from sources, through the environment and food web, to humans and other organisms by many paths.



Bold Italic – components included in Ecology’s charge

* – components amenable to Ecology monitoring

Figure 2. Dioxin Source and Fate Conceptual Model

Dioxins are relatively insoluble in water. They bind quickly with carbon-based substrates (e.g., oils, fats) and particles (e.g., soils, sediments). Dioxins discharged to air may settle on water, land or vegetation. Stormwater runoff may carry dioxin-tainted soil from fields or urban sites to streams that ultimately deposit these sediments in lakes, reservoirs or marine waters. Dioxins in water, soil or sediment can be ingested by organisms and transferred through the food web. Thus, dioxins move from air and water to sediments, soils, and biological systems where they persist.

The primary route of dioxin exposure to humans is the food chain. This is probably the primary route for fish and wildlife as well. Wild *et al.* (1992) estimate that 99.96% of background human exposure to dioxins is through food intake. Airborne dioxins land on food or forage; waterborne dioxins may enter the aquatic food webs via filter or bottom feeders. Humans are exposed to dioxins primarily through the ingestion of fish, meat and milk (Albers *et al.*, 1996).

Project Description

This section summarizes steps used to locate and process data for confirmed and potential dioxin sources in Washington State. To manage time and budget constraints, the scope of the assessment was defined by:

- Use of existing data; no resources were allocated for additional monitoring
- Focus on sources located in Washington State
- Use of data generated during the past 10 years
- Preferential focus on data reporting the full range of 2,3,7,8-substituted congeners

The quality of data used in this assessment is variable. Detailed review of data quality was beyond the scope of the project; however, every attempt was made to use published data or data that were available from the public record. For further information on sampling, analytical procedures, and quality assurance/quality control (QA/QC) the reader is directed to the source documents cited in the references.

Appendix B provides details on how we addressed the following issues:

- Data gathering
- Data processing conventions
- Detection limits

Understanding the limitations of this project will help the reader draw reasonable conclusions and exercise interpretive caution.

- No central or comprehensive database or comprehensive monitoring program for dioxin exists in Washington State. Therefore, these data are likely to be incomplete. If you know of additional data, please contact the authors at the Washington State Department of Ecology, PO Box 47600, Olympia, WA, 98504-7600.
- Data gathering was largely limited to public agencies; generally, private data held by sources were not available.
- Source loads were determined from analytical test data only. Unlike the EPA source evaluation work (EPA, 1994a), this project did not develop “emission factors” to estimate the total load from a category of sources.
- The source loads calculated for facilities may not be fully representative for the following reasons:
 - ◇ Data Frequency: The lack of multiple data points for most sources precludes estimating process variability. Dioxin generation rates are often a function of variables such as feed stock, combustion temperature, and throughput. Variation in dioxin loads can be considerable, as indicated from facilities where multiple

measures are available. Many of the loads we report are calculated from a single measurement. Many loads may have a high or unknown variability associated with them.

- ◇ Analytical Completeness: To minimize negative bias (underestimation of specific loads), we used only data that report the full range of 2,3,7,8-substituted congeners. The one exception was the use of wastewater and sludge data for bleached pulp and paper mills that report concentrations for only two of the 17 toxic congeners (2,3,7,8-TCDD and 2,3,7,8-TCDF).
- ◇ Calculated loads were not adjusted for the percent of time the facility was discharging. This is generally not an issue for loads to water or land (e.g., ash or sludge). However, air loads from small incinerators that operate on a batch mode or intermittently are calculated from short-term tests and may over-estimate long-term averages. For this reason, we have flagged the loads calculated for the Olivine Incinerator. There are probably loads from other small incinerators that would have been adjusted downward if we had located detailed information on their operating practices.
- ◇ The quality of data gathered here is variable. Although a comprehensive review of data quality was beyond the scope of this project, it was clear in several cases (e.g., estimates of ash generation rates from hog-fuel boilers) that the reliability of several estimates was uncertain.

Media Analyzed

Loads were calculated from analyses of a range of media including air emissions, sludges, ash, and wastewater discharges. Air emissions data were obtained primarily from source tests of stacks. Sludge loads were calculated from analyses of biosolids from treated municipal and industrial wastewaters. Wastewater loads were calculated primarily from analyses of process wastewaters; however, some other wastewaters including stormwater runoff, cooling water discharges and/or ash-quenching or wet-scrubber wastewaters were also addressed.

Ash loads were calculated from analyses of bottom ash, fly ash (air pollution control residues), and mixed ash produced by incinerators and industrial boilers. Bottom ashes are generally a mixture of grate ash and grate siftings. These materials fall to the bottom of the boiler/incinerator and are mechanically removed (EPA, 1996). Air pollution control (APC) residues include fly ash, absorbent materials, and condensation or reaction products. Fly ashes are non-combustible residual particles expelled by flue gas (EPA, 1996a). APC devices include cyclones, wet scrubbers, electrostatic precipitators, and baghouses. Mixed (or “total”) ashes include both the bottom ash and fly ash generated by a facility.

Dioxin TEQ Loads

The reporting of dioxin loads is an important concept in this assessment. A “load” is defined as the rate at which dioxin is generated or discharged. Loads are expressed as a mass per unit time; in this report the units used are milligrams of dioxin TEQs per day (mg TEQ/d). To calculate a load, we first determined the TEQ for the material tested (e.g., air, water, ash). The TEQ is calculated by multiplying the concentration of each detected 2,3,7,8-substituted congener by the TEF for that congener.¹ The resulting TEQ for each congener is summed to determine the total TEQ of the sample. Appendix Table A-1 shows an example TEQ calculation for a sample containing many dioxin congeners.

The calculation of dioxin load requires two pieces of information: 1) the concentration of dioxin congeners in the medium produced or released, and 2) the rate at which that medium is generated and/or released. These two parameters are often available from the same data source: e.g., air emission source tests, discharge monitoring reports required by the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) wastewater permits. Dioxin data and production rates for ash and sludge are often reported separately. Sometimes concentrations of dioxins are measured in soil, stormwater, or other media; but the rate of generation or discharge is not measured. Loads cannot be calculated in these cases.

Confirmed Dioxin Sources

Where adequate data allow, we calculate dioxin loads (i.e., the rate at which dioxins were generated) for individual sources. “Confirmed source categories” are source categories that have at least one facility with data adequate to calculate a dioxin load. Both active and closed facilities with documented dioxin loads are included as “confirmed sources.”

Potential Dioxin Sources

In addition to confirmed source categories, this assessment provides information on “potential sources categories”. These include source categories for which there may be dioxin data but available data do not allow calculation of dioxin loads. For instance, potential sources include contaminated sites with confirmed dioxin contamination. Dioxin could potentially be moving from some of these sites, if they are not yet fully remediated. However, data are not available to calculate these loads.

Another potential source category is wood treating that uses pentachlorophenol (PCP). PCP is contaminated with low concentrations of dioxins, and many sites with confirmed dioxin contamination are former PCP wood-treating facilities. Although contamination

¹ The calculation of TEQ for a media sample containing 5 ppt 2,3,7,8-TCDD and 23 ppt 2,3,7,8-TCDF (considered 1/10 as toxic as TCDD, it has a TEF of 0.1) is: $[5 + (0.1 \times 23)] = 7.3$ ppt TEQ.

of wood-treating sites with dioxin has been confirmed, the rate at which these dioxins are discharged in stormwater is available only for short-term storm events. These results are not directly comparable to the more continuous loads presented in the *Confirmed Sources* section, although rough estimates can be made. Other potential dioxin source categories include those identified by EPA (1994a) in their national dioxin source assessment but for which Washington State data are inadequate to calculate loads.

Results and Discussion

During the course of this project, available data allowed us to identify 25 facilities/processes with measurable dioxin loads. Of these 21 are active and four are closed. Fifteen (twelve active, three closed) discharge to air; nine (eight active, one closed) to water; and nine (eight active, one closed) to land. For the purposes of this report, we account for dioxin loads in materials sent to landfills, as well as materials that are applied to land in other ways (i.e. soil amendments, land application).

The dioxin loads reported here were calculated from data from a variety of sources as described previously (see Project Description).

Appendix Table A-3 summarizes the calculated loads assuming that the concentration of undetected congeners is zero. Loads calculated using three different methods of handling detection limits are summarized in Appendix C. The data sets from which the loads were calculated are tabulated in Appendix D of this report.

Data Gaps

The available data on dioxin sources in Washington State are generally sparse. This is partly because Ecology's authority to require dioxin testing is limited. Appendix Table A-4 summarizes state and federal regulations authorizing or requiring dioxin monitoring.

Figure 3 displays some of the data gaps revealed by this assessment. Processes are displayed on one axis; the media to which a load is discharged is shown on the other axis. The dark portion of each bar represents the number of facilities engaged in that process with adequate data to determine at least one dioxin load. The open portion of the bar represents the number of facilities for which no dioxin loading data were available.

Data "completeness", as measured by the proportion of facilities in a source category with at least one dioxin load, varies greatly. A number of the source categories have loading data for each of the facilities engaged in that process. However, large segments of important source categories have no loading data. For example, wastewater loads could not be calculated for any of the approximately 250 municipal wastewater treatment plants, and biosolids loads were available for only one of the 250. Likewise, air loads were available for only 2 of 84 hog-fuel boilers, while ash loads were available for 3 of 84.

It is clear that the data are, at best, partial. We have taken these substantial data gaps into account in the process-by-process discussions that follow.

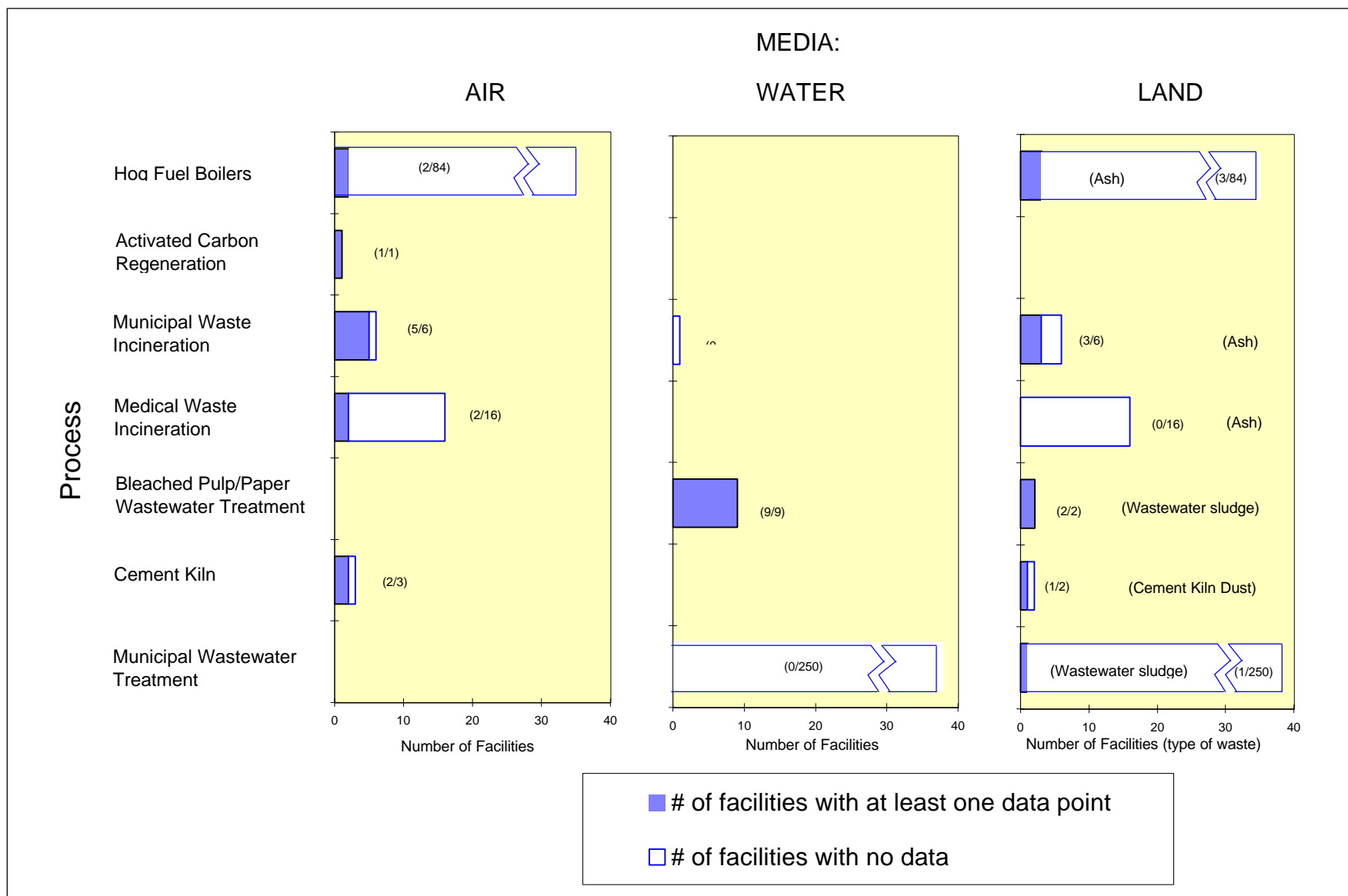


Figure 3. Number of facilities with dioxin data, by media. Categories include those for which there is at least one data point.

“Importance” of Source Categories

Information about each of the confirmed source categories¹ follows. This includes background information on each category, calculated dioxin loads, completeness of data coverage for facilities in the category, potential for the dispersion of dioxin loads, and the national rank of the category based on data reported by EPA (1994a).

EPA’s approach to estimating national dioxin loads differs from the approach used in this report. The main difference is that this study relies on monitoring data from specific facilities, while EPA developed “emission factors” for various activities and used them to estimate the total load generated by that activity. EPA (1998) offers this explanation of an emission factor:

“The emission factor relates mass of CDD/CDFs [dioxins]...released to the environment per some measure of activity (e.g., kilograms of material processed per year...). The emission factor was then multiplied by a national value for the activity level (e.g., total kg of material processed in the United States annually).”

After information is presented on each of the source categories, the importance of the category is evaluated in two ways:

- Importance of obtaining additional data
- Importance of additional source control

The importance of obtaining additional data is based primarily on two considerations: the shortcomings in available data and the potential for the source category to be an important continuing source of dioxins.

The importance of source control is based on several considerations: the magnitude of confirmed dioxin loads associated with the source category, the potential magnitude of loads from untested facilities, and the potential for dispersion of loads generated by the facilities.

Recommendations at the end of this report are based, in large part, on these determinations of importance.

¹ In this report the term “confirmed source category” means a source category for which we have data adequate to calculate at least one dioxin load for at least one facility in that category.

Municipal and Medical Waste Incinerators

Background

We located information on 22 municipal waste incinerators and medical waste incinerators (Table 2). Municipal and medical waste incinerators are discussed jointly because of their similar functions and because of overlap in the materials burned by these facilities. Three currently operating incinerators primarily burn municipal solid waste: Spokane Municipal Incinerator (a waste-to-energy facility), US Army Fort Lewis Incinerator (Pierce County), and Olivine Municipal Incinerator (Whatcom County). A fourth municipal waste incinerator, the Skagit County Incinerator, ceased operation around 1994.

Table 2. Municipal and Medical Waste Incinerators

| Municipal Waste Incinerators | County | Status | Dioxin Data |
|--------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------|
| Spokane | Spokane | Active | Air, Ash |
| Fort Lewis | Pierce | Active | Air |
| Olivine | Whatcom | Active | Air |
| Skagit County | Skagit | Closed | |
| Cogeneration Facility | | | |
| Tacoma City Light #2 | Pierce | Closed | Air |
| Municipal/Medical Incinerator | | | |
| Recomp | Whatcom | Active | Air, Ash |
| Medical Waste Incinerators | | | |
| Northwest Hospital | King | Active | Air |
| US Veterans Adm. Medical Center | King | Active | Air |
| Battelle Marine Sciences Lab | Clallam | Active | |
| Capital Medical Center | Thurston | Active | |
| Forks Community Hospital | Clallam | Active | |
| Grays Harbor Community Hospital | Grays Harbor | Active | |
| Island Hospital | Skagit | Active | |
| Kennewick General Hospital | Benton | Active | |
| Kittitas Valley Community Hospital | Kittitas | Active | |
| Mid Valley Hospital | Okanogan | Active | |
| North Valley Hospital | Okanogan | Active | |
| Swedish Hospital | King | Closed | |
| Providence Yakima Hospital | Yakima | Closed | |
| Skyline Hospital | Klickitat | Active | |
| St. Joseph Hospital | Stevens | Active | |
| Providence St. Peter Hospital | Thurston | Closed | |

The Recomp Incinerator (formerly Thermal Reduction Company) in Whatcom County burns both municipal wastes and medical wastes; while Tacoma City Light Steam Plant #2, which closed in the spring of 1998, burned a mixture of “refuse-derived fuel,” wood waste and other fuels.

Sixteen medical waste incinerators were identified, three of which no longer operate. In general, these incinerators are smaller than those that burn municipal waste.

One other facility, Holnam Cement, Inc. of Seattle, conducted several air emissions tests while burning “Sterifuel,” a sterilized, pelletized medical waste. The Holnam cement kiln is discussed in the *Cement Kilns* section.

Table 3 summarizes loading data, facility status, and solid waste disposition information for all incinerators with dioxin data. Each of these categories is discussed in more detail below.

Loading Data

Of the 22 incinerators listed in this section, we are able to estimate dioxin loads in air emissions for seven and loads in ash for three (Table 3). The detailed loading data for each facility are provided in Appendix Table A-3. At one time there was a wastewater (cooling tower) discharge from the Recomp Incinerator; however, this discharge was eliminated approximately two years ago (Zinner, 1998). No dioxin data are available for this wastewater discharge.

Data are most complete for the Spokane Incinerator. Air emissions are represented by five source tests that yielded loads averaging 0.25 mg TEQ/day. Two series of ash tests yielded an average load of 31.2 mg TEQ/day. One ash test (1992) allows comparison of the grate ash load (0.02 mg TEQ/day) with the fly ash load (24.3 mg TEQ/day). Most of the dioxin from this facility is associated with captured fly ash. This appears to be the pattern for relatively new incinerators with highly effective air pollution control devices (APCDs).

Air and ash data are also available for the new Fort Lewis Incinerator. Based on a single set of source tests, the air emission from this facility is estimated at 0.003 mg TEQ/day. Based on one year’s composite samples, the dioxin load in fly ash was 0.76 mg TQ/day. No dioxins were detected in the bottom ash.

In recent years, the Olivine Incinerator has operated infrequently. Loads calculated from two source tests (1994, 1995) average 3.8 mg TEQ/day. Because of Olivine’s infrequent operation this load probably overestimates its discharge relative to other facilities. No data were available on dioxins in Olivine’s ash.

Table 3. Incinerator Dioxin Loads, Facility Status, and Solid Waste Disposition

| Incinerators | Load to (mg TEQ/day) | | | | Facility Status | Solid Waste Disposition |
|--|----------------------|-------|-------------|--------------|-------------------------|--|
| | Air | Water | Land | Total | | |
| Municipal Waste | | | | | | |
| Spokane Municipal Incinerator, Spokane | 0.25 | | 31.2 | 31.5 | Active | Ash disposed of at the Regional Ash Monofill in Roosevelt, WA. |
| Olivine Municipal Incinerator, Ferndale | 3.8* | | | 3.8* | Active but intermittent | Fly ash disposed of at the Regional Ash Monofill in Roosevelt, WA; previously disposed of at on-site landfills. |
| Fort Lewis Incinerator, Tacoma | 0.0028 | | 0.76 | 0.76 | Active | Ash disposed of at the Regional Ash Monofill in Roosevelt, WA. |
| Total | 4.1* | | 32.0 | 36.0 | | |
| Medical Waste | | | | | | |
| US Veterans Adm. Medical Center, Seattle | 0.54 | | | 0.54 | Active | Fly ash designates as hazardous waste; shipped to landfill in Utah. Bottom ash sent to Columbia Ridge Landfill in Arlington, OR. |
| Northwest Hospital, Seattle | 0.15 | | | 0.15 | Active | Fly and bottom ash sent to Columbia Ridge Landfill in Arlington, OR. |
| Total | 0.69 | | | 0.69 | | |
| Medical/Municipal | | | | | | |
| Recomp Incinerator, Ferndale | 4.0 | | 1.1 | 5.1 | Active | Fly ash disposed of at the Regional Ash Monofill in Roosevelt, WA; previously disposed of at on-site landfill. |
| Total | 4.0 | | 1.1 | 5.1 | | |
| Cogeneration | | | | | | |
| Tacoma City Light, Tacoma | | | | 0.078 | Closed | Ash was sold to hazardous waste treatment and storage facilities. |
| Total | | | | 0.078 | | |
| Total | 8.8* | | 33.1 | 41.9 | | |

*The Olivine Incinerator has operated infrequently in recent years. Therefore, these values probably overestimate typical dioxin loads.

Information on air emissions was also available for Tacoma City Light Steam Plant #2. Four source tests were conducted before the facility closed in 1998 and averaged 0.08 mg TEQ/day. No data were available for ash.

As noted previously, the Recomp Incinerator burns both municipal and medical wastes. Air emissions data are available for a single source test in 1988. This test yielded a load of 4 mg TEQ/d. Air pollution control systems at Recomp have changed substantially since the 1988 test. In 1988 the incinerator had an electrostatic precipitator. Currently air emissions pass through an evaporative cooling tower, Venturi reactors with hydrated lime injection and baghouses (Naismith, 1998). The effect of these changes on dioxin air emissions has not been measured. Three sets of ash results (1994-1996) yield an average load of 1.1 mg TEQ/day.

Of the 16 medical waste incinerators, air emissions data are available for two – each based on a single set of source tests. The load for the US Veterans Administration (VA) Medical Center in Seattle was estimated at 0.54 mg TEQ/day; the load for Northwest Hospital was estimated at 0.15 mg. TEQ/day. No dioxin data are available for ash.

Dispersion

Dioxin loads emitted to the air can be widely dispersed. Although many of these facility loads are small, several appear to be appreciable. Few of the medical waste incinerators have APCDs that remove fly ash prior to discharge: the VA Medical Center and Northwest Hospital are exceptions. Although no loading data are available for incinerators without APCDs, any load from these facilities would be discharged to the air and therefore dispersed.

Ashes generated and collected by incinerators are handled in several different ways. Ash generated by the Spokane and Fort Lewis incinerators goes to the Regional Ash Monofill in Roosevelt, Washington. This is also the destination for fly ash currently generated by the Recomp and Olivine incinerators. Prior to 1990, ash generated by Recomp and Olivine facilities was disposed of in on-site landfills. Ash generated by Tacoma City Light Steam Plant #2 was sold to hazardous waste treatment and storage facilities, where it was used to solidify liquid wastes prior to their disposal.

Several of the facilities currently sending their ash to the Roosevelt landfill are pursuing other alternatives that could increase dispersion potential.

Fly ash from the VA Medical Center Incinerator designates as hazardous waste. It is handled by Laidlaw Environmental Services and shipped to a landfill in Utah. Bottom ash from the VA Incinerator, as well as both fly ash and bottom ash from the Northwest Hospital Incinerator, are sent to the Columbia Ridge (Solid Waste) Landfill in Arlington, Oregon (Jill Trohimovich, 1998). Other medical waste incinerators apparently do not have APCDs that capture fly ash.

National Rank

EPA (1994), using a methodology different than the one used here, addressed medical waste and municipal waste incinerators as separate categories. Based on the sum of loads to all media, medical waste incinerators were the source category with the largest national load. Municipal waste incinerators had the second largest dioxin load.

EPA used an “emission factor” approach. This, in general, means that EPA tried to account for all sources when estimating loads. We report only the results of specific source tests from specific facilities.

Several aspects of EPA’s work should be noted, so comparisons between the two assessments for medical waste incinerators can be considered in context. The EPA assessment includes several types of “medical waste” incinerators that we did not address (e.g., veterinary incinerators, crematoria, and animal shelters). The EPA “emission factor” was derived from “uncontrolled emissions.” Thus, EPA would have accounted for particulates escaping in air emissions, that would be captured as fly ash if there were an air pollution control device in place. We have no data for dioxins in uncontrolled emissions, or fly ash captured in APCDs from medical waste incinerators. Our data, therefore, do not account for particulate/fly ash emissions from medical waste incinerators.

Finally, EPA notes that tests of “controlled-air medical waste incinerators” with a variety of emission controls yielded lower emission factors. They acknowledge that “based on these data, it appears that national releases [to air] from medical waste incinerators could be much lower...” than those they report.

Summary - Incinerators

Incinerators

| Data Coverage | Air | Water | Land | Overall |
|-----------------------------|------------------|--------------|---------------|----------------|
| Municipal | 3 of 4 | | 2 of 4 | 50-75% |
| Medical | 2 of 16 | | 0 of 16 | 0-10% |
| Medical/Municipal | 1 of 1 | 0 of 1 | 1 of 1 | 0-100% |
| Cogeneration | 1 of 1 | | 0 of 1 | 0-100% |
| Total | 7/22 | 0/1 | 3/22 | 0-32% |
| Confirmed Loads | | | | |
| (mg/ TEQ/day) | Air | Water | Land | Total |
| Municipal | 4.1 ¹ | | 32.0 | 36.0 |
| Medical | 0.69 | | - | 0.69 |
| Medical/Municipal | 4.0 | | 1.1 | 5.1 |
| Cogeneration | 0.078 | | - | 0.078 |
| Total | 8.8 ¹ | | 33.1 | 41.9 |
| Dispersion Potential | | | | |
| | Air | Water | Land | Overall |
| Municipal | high | | generally low | varies |
| Medical | high | | unknown | varies |
| Medical/Municipal | high | discontinued | generally low | varies |
| Cogeneration | high | | generally low | varies |
| Total | high | | generally low | varies |

Active vs. closed: 5 closed; others active

Estimated national rank: Municipal 2nd
 Medical 1st

Importance of obtaining additional data: High

Rationale: Although data for some incinerators (especially the newer municipal waste incinerators, e.g., Spokane and Fort Lewis) are relatively robust, data for the others are sparse or entirely absent. For example, no fly ash data are available for the Olivine Incinerator, the Tacoma City Light Cogeneration Plant (now closed), or any of the medical waste incinerators. Air data for dioxins are not available for a number of medical waste incinerators; however, adoption of the new federal emissions guidelines for existing medical waste incinerators should address this data gap (see next page).

Importance of additional source control: Variable

¹ Olivine Municipal Incinerator has operated infrequently in recent years. Therefore, this value probably overestimates average dioxin loads

Importance of sequestering fly ash: High

Rationale: The estimated overall load (41.8 mg TEQ/day) associated with incinerators is high in comparison to other source categories for which data are available. Most of this load was associated with fly ash. Two of the older incinerators accounted for most of the air load, although the available data may overestimate the importance of these sources. Medical waste incineration ranked 1st overall in EPA's national dioxin source assessment, while municipal waste incineration ranked 2nd.

Based on the available information, the source control of air emissions seems to be least stringent for the Olivine and Reconn incinerators. Control of air emissions may be an issue, as well, for the medical waste incinerators for which no air emissions data are available. Performance standards for new medical waste incinerators and emissions guidelines for existing medical waste incinerators will be incorporated into state regulations over the next several years. This means that air emissions from all medical waste incinerators will have been tested and will meet these new, federally promulgated limits by no later than 2004.

Much of the fly ash collected in APCDs is disposed of in the Roosevelt Ash Monofill or in other ways that appear to sequester this ash effectively. Because the highest loads of dioxins were associated with fly ash captured by air pollution control devices at these incinerators, it is important that this ash continue to be sequestered so it is not reintroduced into the general environment. There is, however, considerable interest by some facilities in finding less expensive ways of disposing of this ash. It is important that alternative methods of reuse or disposal continue to effectively sequester these wastes.

Hog-fuel Boilers

Background

Many industrial boilers in Washington are fired wholly or in part by wood-derived fuels. Fuel derived from waste wood is often called “hogged fuel”; facilities that burn this fuel are referred to as “hog-fuel boilers.” About 25% of the wood-waste boilers in the state are located at pulp and paper mills. In addition to wood waste, these boilers often burn wastewater sludges or fiber, as well as other fuels (Table 4). Burning salt-laden hog fuel (wood waste from logs rafted on saltwater) has been implicated in the production of dioxins (Luthe and Prahacs, 1993).

Ecology’s Air Quality Program (Ecology, 1997a) summarized and assessed much of the available information on Washington’s hog-fuel boilers. Data on boiler locations, operational status, and fuels, gathered by the Air Quality Program in support of that assessment (Ecology, 1997b), are summarized in Table 4.

Table 5 summarizes loading data, facility status, and solid waste disposition information for all hog fuel boilers with dioxin data. Each of these categories is discussed in more detail below.

Loading Data

Of the 84 hog-fuel boilers listed in Table 4, we were able to estimate dioxin loads in air emissions from two facilities and loads in ash from three (Table 5). Detailed loading data are provided in Appendix Table A-3. All of the facilities with dioxin data have air pollution control equipment that removes much of the fly ash before discharge to the air. These facilities also generate “bottom” (or “grate”) ash. Often fly ash and bottom ashes are mixed together prior to disposal.

We found reportable data for both air and ash loads for only one facility, the Rayonier Inc. pulp mill located in Port Angeles. The mill closed in 1997. Air emissions are represented by a single source test conducted in 1995 (Foster Wheeler, 1997). This test yielded a load of 0.17 mg TEQ/d.

Accurate estimates of the rate of ash generation were difficult to obtain. Like other such facilities, Rayonier was never required to measure ash generation rates. We were, however, able to obtain two estimates. Perlwitz (1997) estimated that ash was generated at the rate of three to six tons per day, while allowing that “possible ash generation rates as high as 15 tons per day could have occurred.” The second estimate

Table 4. Hog-fuel Boilers

| Facility | County | Active/ Closed | Salt Water Access* | # of Boilers | Primary Fuels | Salty Fuels | Other Fuels |
|------------------------------------|--------------|-------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|---|----------------|---|
| Allen Logging | Clallam | Active | | 1 | Green sawdust & planer shavings | | |
| Bennett Lumber | Asotin | Active | | 1 | Bark | | |
| Boise Cascade-Wallula | Walla Walla | Active | | 1 | Wood & bark | | Natural gas |
| Boise Cascade-Yakima | Yakima | Active | | 1 | Wood & bark | | |
| Boise Cascade-Kettle Falls Plywood | Stevens | Active | | 1 | Wood & bark | | Some auto oil |
| Boise Cascade-Kettle Falls Lumber | Stevens | Active | | 1 | Wood & bark | | |
| Brooks Manufacturing | Whatcom | Active | Yes | 1 | Dry planer shavings (10% moisture) | 10% salty | Natural gas standby |
| Buffelen Woodworking | Pierce | Active | Yes | 1 | Wood & bark | No | Natural gas |
| Cascade Hardwood | Lewis | Active | | 1 | Dried planer shavings & sawdust | | Natural gas |
| CoastCraft | Pierce | Active | Yes | 2 | Wood | Unknown | |
| Columbia Harbor Lumber | Lewis | Active | | 1 | Hog bark & planer shavings | No | |
| Colville Indian Precision Pine | Okanogan | Active | | 1 | Hog fuel | | |
| Cowlitz Stud-Morton | Lewis | Active | | 1 | Hog fuel & planer shavings | No | |
| Cowlitz Stud-Randle | Lewis | Active | | 1 | Hog fuel & planer shavings | No | |
| Daishowa America | Clallam | Active | Yes | 1 | Hog fuel - bark wood waste | Possible | Residual Oil #6; sludges |
| Georgia Pacific | Whatcom | Active | Yes | 4 | Wood waste 91-100% | unknown % | Nat. gas at start-up; clarifier solids 0-9% |
| GN Plywood/Mt Baker Plywood | Whatcom | Active | Yes | 1 | 97% wood, 3% various | 20% salty | |
| Grays Harbor Paper LP | Grays Harbor | Active | Yes | 2 | Hog fuel | Unknown | #6 fuel oil & tires |
| High Cascade Lumber | Clark | Active | | 1 | Hog fuel | | |
| High Cascade Veneer | Skamania | Active | | 1 | Wood bark | No | |
| Hoquiam Plywood | Grays Harbor | Active | Yes | 1 | Wood & bark | Unknown | |
| Fort James Paper | Clark | Active | | 1 | Hog fuel | No | Pulp mill screenings; natural gas; effluent clarifier solids (35% solid) |
| Jeld-Wen Fiber of Washington | Yakima | Active | | 1 | Hog fuel | | |
| Jeld-Wen of Everett | Snohomish | Active | Yes | 1 | Hog fuel | No | Natural gas |
| Kimberly-Clark | Snohomish | Active | Yes | 1 | 80% wood; sawdust, bark, other wood waste | Possible | # 2 oil; 20% natural gas; 60% wood fiber primary & 40% secondary sludge |
| Kinnear of Washington | Lewis | Active | | 1 | Sawdust & shavings | | |
| Koenig FA & Sons | Snohomish | Active | | 1 | Sawdust | | |
| K-Ply | Clallam | Active | | 2 | 75% wood, 20% bark, 5% wood dust | 40% salty | |
| Laymans Lumber | Yakima | Active | No | 1 | Wood & bark | | |
| Longview Fibre | Chelan | Active | No | 1 | Bark & sawdust | | |
| Longview Fibre | Cowlitz | Active | Yes | 3 | Hog fuel & non-condensable gases not included in fuel rates | No | #6 fuel oil, #1 & #2 distil-late oil, tall oil residual, natural gas; OCC rejects, mill trash; turpentine |
| Mayr Brother Logging | Grays Harbor | Active | Yes | 1 | 50% bark, 50% wood | | |
| Morton Forest Products | Lewis | Active | | 1 | 70% bark, 30% wood chips | No | |
| NW Hardwoods | Cowlitz | Active | | 1 | Fine wood fibers, sander dust | 10% salty | Natural gas |

* If the facility is located on the Pacific Ocean or Puget Sound, “yes” is entered

| Facility | County | Active/ Closed | Salt Water Access* | # of Boilers | Primary Fuels | Salty Fuels | Other Fuels |
|---------------------------------|--------------|-------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|--|----------------|--|
| NW Hardwoods | Lewis | Active | | 1 | Sander dust | 22% salty | Natural gas |
| NW Hardwoods | Skagit | Active | | 1 | Green sawdust | | |
| NW Hardwoods | Snohomish | Active | | 1 | Wood & sander dust | 15% salty | Natural gas |
| Oeser Company | Whatcom | Active | Yes | 1 | Hog fuel | No | Natural gas to limit opacity |
| Omak Wood Products | Okanogan | Active | | 2 | Wood & Bark | | |
| Pacific Hardwoods | Pacific | Active | Yes | 1 | Wood & bark | No | |
| Pacific Veneer | Grays Harbor | Active | Yes | 1 | Wood & bark | No | |
| Packwood Lumber | Lewis | Active | | 1 | Bark & sawdust | No | |
| Plum Creek Manufacturing-Arden | Stevens | Active | | 1 | 70% bark, 30% white wood waste | | |
| Port Townsend Paper | Clallam | Active | Yes | 1 | Hog fuel | Possible | #6 residual oil; RFO; primary sludge |
| Rainier Veneer | Pierce | Active | | 1 | Wood & bark | | |
| Rayonier Inc. (Pulp) | Clallam | Closed | Yes | 1 | 80-90% hog fuel | 2% salty | Oil supplement; 10-15% primary/secondary sludge |
| SDS Lumber | Klickitat | Active | | 1 | Bark & sander dust planings | | Natural gas for start-up |
| Shakertown | Lewis | Active | | 1 | Hog fuel, sawdust, shavings | | |
| Simpson Tacoma Kraft | Pierce | Active | Yes | 1 | Wood | 50% salty | Residual oil; natural gas; bio-solids, wood fiber, & rec. fiber derived fuel |
| Simpson Timber* | Grays Harbor | Active | Yes | 1 | Dry hog fuel, sawdust, sander dust | | |
| Simpson Timber | Mason | Active | Yes | 1 | Hog fuel | 20% salty | Tire derived fuel |
| Smith Street Mill | Snohomish | Active | Yes | 1 | Sawdust & dry shavings | Unknown | |
| Stone Consolidated | Pierce | Active | Yes | 1 | Hog fuel | 10% salty | Residual oil; natural gas; clarifier solids, sludge |
| Summit Timber | Snohomish | Active | | 1 | Hog fuel & sawdust | | |
| Tacoma City Light | Pierce | Active | Yes | 2 | Wood | 5% salty | Natural gas; RDF; coal; distillate oil |
| Tebb Fred & Sons | Pierce | Active | Yes | 1 | Wood | Unknown | |
| Vaagen Brothers Lumber-Colville | Ferry | Active | | 1 | 60% Bark, 40% wood, hog fuel, & dry shavings | | |
| Vaagen Brothers Lumber-Republic | Stevens | Active | | 2 | 80% wood, 20% other | | |
| Washington Water Power | Stevens | Active | | 1 | Hog fuel | | Natural gas |
| West Coast Door | Pierce | Active | Yes | 1 | Wood | Unknown | |
| West Coast Forest Products | Snohomish | Active | | 1 | Wood | | Natural gas |
| Western State Hospital | Pierce | Active | Yes | 1 | Wood | Unknown | Natural gas |
| Weyerhaeuser-Longview | Cowlitz | Active | | 7 | Hog fuel & wood | No | Mixed shredded paper, mixed paper cubes; coal; deinked fiber; solid waste; oil; sludge |
| Weyerhaeuser-Cosmopolis | Grays Harbor | Active | Yes | 1 | Wood residuals, biomass | No | Residual oil, distillate, on-spec; propane |
| Weyerhaeuser-Snoqualmie | King | Active | | 2 | Wood | | |
| Weyerhaeuser-Raymond | Pacific | Active | Yes | 1 | Hog fuel | No | |

* If the facility is located on the Pacific Ocean or Puget Sound, "yes" is entered.

Table 5. Hog-fuel Boiler Dioxin Loads, Facility Status, and Solid Waste Disposition

| Hog-fuel Boilers | Load to (mg TEQ/day) | | | | Facility Status | Solid Waste Disposition |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------|-------|-------------|-------------|-----------------|---|
| | Air | Water | Land | Total | | |
| Rayonier Pulp and Paper, Port Angeles | 0.17 | | 22.2 | 22.4 | Closed | Ash was disposed of in private landfills. |
| Fort James Pulp and Paper, Camas | | | 0.54 | 0.54 | Active | Fly ash is marketed as "Nutrilime" and applied to land. |
| Weyerhaeuser Pulp and Paper, Longview | 0.11 | | | 0.11 | Active | |
| Daishowa Pulp and Paper, Port Angeles | | | 0.012 | 0.012 | Active | Ash disposed of in private landfills. |
| Total | 0.28 | | 22.8 | 23.0 | | |

was provided in an application for a disposal site permit submitted by Rayonier to Clallam County (Jones, 1989). The application estimates the mass of “ash and clinkers” at 6000 tons per year, or 16.4 tons per day. We chose to use a rate of 6 tons per day to calculate TEQ loads associated with Rayonier’s ash. Based on this, the five available ash analyses yielded loads ranging from 1.2 to 69 mg TEQ/d, averaging 22.4 mg TEQ/day. Thus, the Rayonier data indicate that most of the dioxin load is associated with ash.

Data were available to estimate dioxin in air emissions from Weyerhaeuser Pulp and Paper, Longview. Information on potential dioxin loads from this facility are contained in a notable and comprehensive study conducted by Weyerhaeuser (1991) that evaluated disposal options for sludge and examined how the burning of various fuels affected dioxin production. For estimating air emissions we used information from a test which burned wood waste and coal – the test that reflected standard operating conditions at the boiler. The load associated with this test was 0.11 mg TEQ/d.

Weyerhaeuser measured dioxin concentrations in ash, as well as fuel and air emissions, for one set of fuel conditions – burning wood waste, coal and sludge from their waste water treatment plant. The fuels used in this test do not represent operating conditions at the plant (e.g., wastewater sludge is disposed of in a landfill, see *Deposition* section). The resulting loads were, therefore, not included in load calculations presented in Appendix Table A-3. Nonetheless, the test provides useful information.

Weyerhaeuser (1991) measured loads in fuel (wood, coal and sludge) and in the air and ash emissions of the hog-fuel boiler. The results are shown below:

Table 6. TEQ Loads Into and Out of a Hog-fuel Boiler (Weyerhaeuser, Longview)

| Loads in Fuels (mg TEQ/day) | | Loads in Emissions (mg TEQ/day) | |
|-----------------------------|-------------|---------------------------------|--------------|
| Wood | 0.00 | Air Emission | 0.33 |
| Coal | 0.00 | Grate Ash | 0.00 |
| Sludge | 6.74 | Cyclone Fly Ash | 7.92 |
| | | Electroscrubber Fly Ash | 10.58 |
| Total | 6.74 | | 18.83 |

These data lead to several useful observations:

- The dioxin load from this test yields air and ash loads quite similar to those reported for the Rayonier hog-fuel boiler.
- The distribution of dioxin loads between air (low) and ash (high) is quite similar for the two boilers.
- Essentially all the dioxin ash load is associated with fly ash rather than grate ash.
- There is a net increase in dioxin load across the boiler (the load leaving the hog-fuel boiler is greater than the load entering it).

The sludge burned in this test was generated prior to substantial reductions in chlorine bleaching at this and other Washington mills.

Data from the Fort James Pulp Mill in Camas provides a second fly ash load. The fly ash was analyzed by Ecology in 1997 as part of a fertilizer and soil amendment study (Magoon, 1997). The load is estimated at 0.54 mg TEQ/day based on a 1997 production rate of 6,166 tons/year (Le, 1998a) for fly ash applied to farmland as a soil amendment. This fly ash is marketed as “Nutrilime.”

Data from the Daishowa mill in Port Angeles provides the third ash load: an estimated 0.012 mg TEQ/ day.

Dispersion

Dioxin loads emitted to the air have the potential to be widely dispersed. For the few facilities having both data and relatively efficient air pollution control devices, most of the load is captured in the fly ash prior to being dispersed to the air. Air emissions from boilers without particulate controls will be widely dispersed. *Ecology's Wood Waste Boiler Survey* (Ecology, 1997a) found that 12% of hog fuel boilers had no air pollution control equipment, while an additional 13% had relatively inefficient "mechanical collection."

Fly ash captured by air pollution control devices is handled in several different ways. Ash from Rayonier and Daishowa was/is sent to nearby private landfills (Matthews, 1998). Fly ash from Fort James is marketed as "Nutrilime" and is applied to agricultural land (Cascade Earth Sciences Ltd., 1996). Although we have no loading estimates for other hog-fuel boiler ash loads, we located some information on the disposition of these ashes. For instance, portions of the ash from the Boise Cascade mill at Wallula have been landfilled on-site, added to biosolids for composting and sent to Holnam Cement in Seattle where it is used in the production of Portland cement (EGR and Associates, Inc., 1997). Fly ash from the Simpson Tacoma Kraft mill is sent to the regional Rabanco landfill in Roosevelt, Washington, while the grate ash goes to a private landfill in Shelton, Washington (McEntee, 1997).

Based on available information, the potential for ash dispersion is variable depending on the practices at each facility.

National Rank

EPA (1994), using a different methodology, provides national estimates that rank wood waste boilers 5th largest among source categories. It is likely that this category of sources is more important in Washington State than nationally for several reasons:

- Timber-related industries represent a much larger portion of commerce in Washington than nationally.
- The potential for salt-laden hog fuel, derived from logs rafted on salt-water, is much higher in Washington than nationally.
- Burning of other fuels in wood waste boilers is prevalent (Table 4). These fuels include sludges from mill wastewater treatment plants, chipped tires and used oil.
- EPA's national assessment appears to have considered only emissions to air. We found the highest loads to be associated with fly ash. Thus EPA may have underestimated the importance of this source nationally.

Summary - Hog-fuel Boilers

Hog-fuel Boilers

| | Air | Water | Land | Overall/Total |
|----------------------------------|------------|--------------|-------------|----------------------|
| Data Coverage | 2 of 84 | | 3 of 84 | ~3% |
| Confirmed Loads (mg/ TEQ/day) | 0.28 | | 22.8 | 23.0 |
| Dispersion Potential | High | | Variable | High/Variable |

Active vs. closed: 1 closed; most active

Estimated national rank: 5th

Importance of obtaining additional data: High

Rationale: The combination of few data (loads available for only about 3% of the boilers) and high dioxin loads from at least some of those facilities argues strongly for the collection of additional information on hog-fuel boilers. This process category has a relatively high number of facilities (84), with high variability in the factors that lead to dioxin formation and control (e.g., boiler design and operation, fuels, air pollution control devices).

Importance of additional source control: Potentially high

Rationale: The estimated overall load (23 mg TEQ/day) associated with hog-fuel boilers is high in comparison to other source categories for which data are available. Industrial wood burning rated 5th overall in EPA's national dioxin source assessment. It is likely to be relatively more important in Washington State. The boiler that was the largest confirmed source ceased operations in 1997. However, there are a number of facilities of equivalent size, burning similar fuels that are likely, in aggregate, to generate significant loads of dioxin.

The confirmed load associated with fly ash (22.8 mg TEQ/day) was much greater than the confirmed load associated with air emissions (0.28 mg TEQ/day). This is probably because the facilities for which data are available have sophisticated particulate control devices. Many hog-fuel boilers have less sophisticated (or no) particulate controls. The potential for dispersion of air emissions is high; the potential for the dispersion of fly ash captured by APCDs is variable. Some fly ash is disposed of in landfills, some is marketed as a "soil amendment." The disposition of much of it is unknown.

Bleached Pulp and Paper Mills

Background

Seven mills in Washington currently produce bleached pulp and/or paper. An eighth, the Rayonier Mill in Port Angeles, ceased operation in 1997. A ninth, Longview Fiber, no longer operates a bleach plant. In the early 1990s, Washington mills shifted from chlorine bleaching to chlorine dioxide bleaching which decreased the production and release of dioxins. This section addresses the dioxin loads associated with wastewater discharges from these facilities.

As process wastewaters are treated, sludges (which can also contain dioxins) are generated. One facility, the Boise Cascade Mill in Wallula, composts its sludge for subsequent on-site land application. A second facility, the Weyerhaeuser Mill in Longview, landfills its sludge. The other mills burn their sludges in hog-fuel boilers.

Although all of the mills have hog-fuel boilers, this section focuses on dioxin loads associated with the bleached pulp and paper process.

Table 7 summarizes loading data, facility status, and solid waste disposition information for bleached pulp and paper mills. Each of these categories is discussed below.

Table 7. Bleached Pulp and Paper Mill Loads, Facility Status, and Solid Waste Disposition

| Bleached Pulp and Paper Mills | Load to (mg TEQ/day) | | | | Facility Status | Solid Waste Disposition |
|--|----------------------|-------------|------------|-------------|-----------------|--|
| | Air | Water | Land | Total | | |
| Rayonier Pulp and Paper, Port Angeles | | 4.9 | | 4.9 | Closed | |
| Weyerhaeuser Pulp and Paper, Longview | | 0.13 | 1.8 | 1.9 | Active | Sludge disposed of in private landfill. |
| Fort James Pulp and Paper, Camas | | 1.9 | | 1.9 | Active | |
| Georgia-Pacific Pulp and Paper, Bellingham | | 1.7 | | 1.7 | Active | |
| Boise Cascade Pulp and Paper, Wallula | | 0.76 | 0.081 | 0.84 | Active | Sludge is both composted and landfilled on site. |
| Longview Fiber Pulp and Paper, Longview | | 0.71 | | 0.71 | Active | |
| Kimberly-Clark Pulp and Paper, Everett | | 0.40 | | 0.40 | Active | |
| Weyerhaeuser Pulp and Paper, Cosmopolis | | 0.20 | | 0.20 | Active | |
| Simpson Kraft Pulp and Paper, Tacoma | | 0.00 | | 0.00 | Active | |
| Total | | 10.7 | 1.9 | 12.6 | | |

Loading Data

Bleached pulp and paper mills are required to treat and test their wastewater prior to discharge. Since 1991 treated effluent from these mills has been tested for 2,3,7,8-TCDD and 2,3,7,8-TCDF. Wastewater treatment sludges have been tested for the same two congeners. Results have been reported to Ecology's Industrial Section (McCall, 1997). Because of these testing requirements, data for this source category are relatively complete. However, the monitoring requires testing for only 2 of the 17 toxic dioxin and furan congeners; calculated TEQ loads probably underestimate actual TEQ loads.

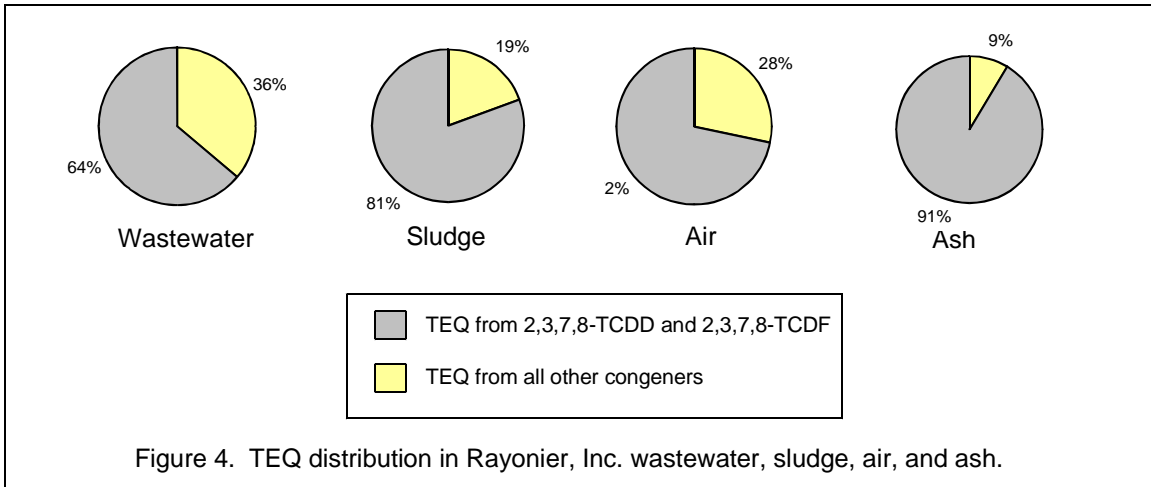
Table 7 summarizes the dioxin loads determined by averaging all the loads calculated for each facility.

Most of the data (summarized in Appendix Table A-5) are "self-reported". In general, these self-reported data represent conditions at the mills after they were required to institute dioxin control measures including 1) minimizing the introduction of dioxin precursors into the pulping and bleaching sequences, and 2) minimizing the use of elemental chlorine by substitution with chlorine dioxide.

All dioxin loads associated with bleached pulp and paper mills are included in Appendix Table A-3. These include self-reported data, as well as loads calculated for a limited number of other effluent tests. These additional tests include data from Ecology compliance monitoring inspections, as well as several tests conducted at the Rayonier Mill in Port Angeles between 1990 and 1994. These latter tests were reported in a summary of information about the mill prepared for Rayonier by Foster Wheeler Environmental Corporation (1997) as the mill prepared to close.

As noted above, the self-reported data for the bleached pulp and paper mills are restricted to two congeners: TCDD and TCDF. Because 15 congeners with TEFs were not included in self-reported data, the TEQ loads associated with these data probably underestimate full TEQ loads from these sources. As an example, Figure 4 shows the relative percentages of the full TEQ contributed by the TCDD and TCDF for wastewater and sludge as calculated using the data (Foster Wheeler, 1997) for the Rayonier mill in Port Angeles. Similar graphs for air emissions and ash are shown for comparison purposes.

Figure 4.



Dispersion

Dioxin loads discharged to water have the potential to be widely dispersed.

One mill (Boise Cascade, Wallula) composts its sludge, and is, on a trial basis, applying it to an on-site cottonwood plantation (Le, 1998b). A second mill, Weyerhaeuser (Longview) disposes of its sludge in a privately owned landfill. Other mills burn wastewater sludges in their hog-fuel boilers. Overall, the potential for the dispersion of dioxins associated with sludges is variable.

National Rank

EPA (1994), using a different methodology than the one used here, provides estimates that rank bleached pulp and paper as the fourth largest source category nationally. This category is likely to be relatively more important in Washington State than nationally, because pulp and paper bleaching represents a relatively large portion of Washington State commerce. The EPA assessment could also present a somewhat different picture than our assessment because:

- EPA included dioxin loads from sludges – with the exception of Boise Cascade (Wallula) and Weyerhaeuser (Longview) – while Ecology did not.
- EPA included estimates for dioxin loads in pulp and paper products, while Ecology did not.

Summary – Bleached Pulp and Paper

Bleached Pulp and Paper

| | Air | Water | Land | Overall/Total |
|----------------------------------|-----|---------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| Data Coverage | | 9 of 9 ¹ | 2 of 2 ¹ | 100% ¹ |
| Confirmed Loads (mg/ TEQ/day) | | 10.7 | 1.9 | 12.6 |
| Dispersion Potential | | high | variable | high/variable |

Active vs. closed: 1 closed; others active

Estimated national rank: 4th

Importance of obtaining additional data: Medium

Rationale: Of all the source categories addressed in this assessment, wastewater-related discharges from bleached pulp and paper production have been measured and reported most often. This is the only facility category with requirements for frequent discharge monitoring. On the other hand, this monitoring requires testing for only 2 of the 17 dioxin/furan congeners with TEFs. Only a few tests results are available that provide data for the full range of toxic congeners.

Importance of additional source control: Medium

Rationale: The estimated overall load (12.6 mg TEQ/day) associated with bleached pulp and paper production is moderate in comparison to other source categories for which data are available. The mill with the largest average load is no longer operating. Data for this source category appear to be more complete than for many other categories. Bleached pulp and paper production rated 4th overall in EPA's national dioxin source assessment; it is likely to be relatively more important in Washington State. Actions taken in the early 1990s have decreased dioxin loads from the mills.

The relationship between sludge burning and dioxin destruction/production is not well quantified.

¹ 2 out of 17 toxic congeners measured.

Cement Kilns

Background

Washington has two presently operating cement kilns: Holnam Cement, Inc. and Ash Grove Cement Company, both located in Seattle. Cement kilns, which produce cement from materials including lime, use multiple fuels including coke, used oil, and tire-derived fuel. The Holnam facility has also conducted several test burns using “Sterifuel,” a shredded, sterilized medical waste.

The Holnam facility also produces cement kiln dust (CKD), a fine cement-like material captured by their electrostatic precipitator (an air pollution control device) from the kiln exhaust. Ash Grove apparently generates no cement kiln dust.

The Lehigh Portland Cement Company (Metaline Falls) operated a coal-fired kiln in which ceased operation in 1990. A large pile of cement kiln dust was left at this site (Stoffel, 1998).

Table 8 summarizes loading data, facility status, and solid waste disposition for cement kilns; these categories are discussed in more detail below.

Table 8. Cement Kiln Dioxin Loads, Facility Status, and Solid Waste Disposition

| Cement Kilns | Load to (mg TEQ/day) | | | | Facility Status | Solid Waste Disposition |
|---------------------------|----------------------|-------|-------------|-------------|-----------------|--|
| | Air | Water | Land | Total | | |
| Holnam Inc., Seattle | 1.26 | | 0.055 | 1.31 | Active | Cement kiln dust is marketed for agricultural uses, waste stabilization, road building, backfill, etc. |
| Ash Grove Cement, Seattle | ND ¹ | | | | Active | |
| Total | 1.26 | | 0.06 | 1.31 | | |

Loading Data

Both currently operating cement kilns have tested their stack emissions. Results from stack tests at Holnam conducted between 1994 and 1996 allowed calculation of six loads (Appendix Table A-3). The average of these six loads was 1.26 mg TEQ/day. The single test of air emissions available for the Ash Grove facility (Valid Results, Inc., 1996) detected no dioxins.

Holnam’s cement kiln dust has been tested three times. The average load from these tests is 0.055 mg TEQ/day.

¹ ND = Not Detected

Table 8 summarizes the dioxin loads determined by averaging all the loads for cement kilns.

Dispersion

Dioxin loads discharged to air can be widely dispersed.

The CKD dioxin load from Holnam is quite small. Since 1987, a majority of Holnam's CKD has gone for agricultural use, but construction uses have increased steadily over the past several years. Currently, about 50% goes for agricultural use. The remainder is used for a range of other uses: 1) stabilizing sludge-like hazardous wastes, 2) drying and stabilizing soils, 3) providing a low-grade underlayer for road bed building, and 4) providing engineered backfill – mixed with wet soils prior to backfilling in mining or construction (Smith, 1998). The potential for dispersion for CKD is variable.

Approximately 600 tons of CKD was left at the Lehigh site. We have no data regarding concentrations or loads associated with this facility. Although the storm water has been diverted from the pile which has also been covered with a clay liner, leachate from groundwater contact is still migrating offsite (Stoffel, 1998)

National Rank

EPA (1994), using a different methodology than the one used here, provides estimates that rank cement kilns as the 3rd largest source category nationally (well behind municipal and medical waste incineration). EPA's assessment includes kilns that burn hazardous waste. Neither of the Washington kilns burns hazardous wastes. In both assessments the loads are associated primarily with air emissions.

Summary – Cement Kilns

Cement Kilns

| | Air | Water | Land | Overall/Total |
|----------------------------------|------------|--------------|-------------|----------------------|
| Data Coverage | 2/3 | | 1/2 | 50-67% |
| Confirmed Loads (mg/ TEQ/day) | 1.26 | | 0.06 | 1.32 |
| Dispersion Potential | high | | variable | high/variable |

Active vs. closed: one facility closed, two active.

Estimated national rank: 3rd

Importance of obtaining additional data: Medium-low

Rationale: Loads from the Holnam facility appear to be well characterized assuming that there are no major changes in fuels, raw materials or operating parameters at the kiln. The single test at Ash Grove is probably not adequate. This is the only air emissions test for a facility assessed in this review that failed to detect even one of the 17 toxic dioxin and furan congeners. No data are available for CKD at Lehigh; however, based on the results from Holnam, this may not be a high priority.

Importance of additional source control: Medium-low

Rationale: The estimated overall load (1.32 mg TEQ/day) associated with cement kilns is fairly low in comparison to other source categories for which data are available. Cement kilns rated 3rd overall in EPA's national dioxin source assessment; under current operating conditions they are likely to be relatively less important in Washington State.

Municipal Wastewater Treatment

Background

Washington has approximately 250 NPDES-permitted municipal treatment plants. These facilities treat mixtures of domestic, commercial and industrial wastewaters. Wastewater treatment apparently does not generate dioxins; however, treated wastewaters discharged from these facilities, as well as associated biosolids (sludges), can contain dioxins passed along from sources that discharge to the plant.

Table 9 summarizes loading data, facility status, and solid waste disposition for municipal wastewater treatment plants; these categories are discussed in more detail below.

Table 9. Municipal Wastewater Treatment Loads, Facility Status, and Solid Waste Disposition

| Wastewater Treatment Plants | Load to (mg TEQ/day) | | | | Facility Status | Solid Waste Disposition |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------|-------|-------|-------|-----------------|--|
| | Air | Water | Land | Total | | |
| Renton Sewage Treatment Plant, Renton | | | 0.347 | 0.347 | Active | Most biosolids land-applied at several eastern and western Washington sites. |

Loading Data

No data were found that could be used to calculate loads associated with treated wastewater effluent. Biosolids data were available for a single facility. Appendix Table A-3 includes loading data calculated from two sets of sample results (1987 and 1997) for biosolids generated by the Renton Wastewater Treatment Plant. The average load calculated from these measurements was 0.347 mg TEQ/day. Although these data represent only one of approximately 250 municipal treatment plants, the Renton plant generates about 15-20% of Washington's biosolids.

Dispersion

Although we have no data on the magnitude of dioxin loads discharged to water, any such loads would have the potential to be widely dispersed.

Most biosolids are land-applied. Some facilities give biosolids away to people who use them on their home gardens (Dorsey, 1997). In 1998, Renton biosolids were used for silvicultural fertilization (about 62%), agricultural fertilization (about 31%), commercial compost production (about 7%), and other uses including mine restoration research and hybrid poplar fertilization (King, 1998). The dispersion potential for sludge is high.

National Rank

EPA (1994), using a different methodology than the one used here, provides estimates that rank municipal wastewater treatment plants as the 7th largest source category nationally. This estimate was based entirely on biosolids loads; no wastewater discharge data were included.

Summary – Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plants

Municipal Wastewater Treatment

| | Air | Water | Land | Overall/Total |
|------------------------------|------------|--------------|-------------|----------------------|
| Data Coverage | | 0/250 | 1/250 | 0-0.4% |
| Confirmed Loads (mg/TEQ/day) | | | 0.347 | 0.347 |
| Dispersion Potential | | high | high | high |

Active vs. closed: Active

Estimated national rank: 7th

Importance of obtaining additional data: Medium

Rationale: Although not expected to be among the major sources of dioxins, loads associated with municipal wastewater treatment are not well characterized. Data for biosolids are available for one of approximately 250 facilities; no data are available for wastewater discharges.

Importance of additional source control: Potentially Medium

Rationale: Additional data are required to assess the magnitude of dioxin loads associated with municipal wastewater treatment. Based on available information about the size of dioxin loads, this source category does not appear to rank near the top; however, the potential for dispersion is high. Because treatment plants do not appear to generate dioxin, any source control efforts would be targeted at sources to wastewater treatment plants.

Activated Carbon Regeneration

Background

A single activated carbon regeneration facility, Cameron-Yakima, Inc., operated until recently in Washington. Cameron-Yakima had ceased all carbon regeneration and waste processing activities by the end of 1997.

Cameron-Yakima had two combustion units that reprocessed activated carbon using heat and steam to desorb contaminants. These contaminants included benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, xylene, semi-volatile organics, pesticides, and metals (Bison Engineering, 1995).

Loading Data

A single set of air emission tests was conducted on the two treatment units at Cameron-Yakima in 1994. These tests, required by Ecology, specified a specially prepared feed material: activated carbon loaded with a known mixture of contaminants (Bison Engineering, 1995). This feed material represented conditions close to “worst case” (Warner, 1997). Based on these results (Appendix Table A-3) the total load from this facility was 37.4 mg TEQ/day, the highest loading rate reported for an individual facility.

Table 10. Activated Carbon Regeneration Loads

| | Load to (mg TEQ/day) | | | |
|----------------------|----------------------|-------|------|-------------|
| | Air | Water | Land | Total |
| Cameron-Yakima, Inc. | 37.4 | | | 37.4 |
| Total | 37.4 | | | 37.4 |

Dispersion

Dioxins loads discharged to air can be widely dispersed.

National Rank

EPA (1994), using a different methodology than the one used here, provides estimates that place activated carbon regeneration far down the list of source categories that generate dioxin loads. EPA’s evaluation is probably not directly applicable to Washington because, while EPA estimated that the total annual amount of granular activated carbon treated in the US was about 48,000 metric tons (EPA, 1994), Cameron-Yakima treated about 4,500 metric tons annually (Warner, 1997). This represents about 10% of the national production. Thus, while Cameron-Yakima was operating, Washington State ranked well above the average in this activity. In addition, EPA’s emission factor was based on only two source tests, while the loading reported for the single Washington State source is based on a single “moderate worst case” test that may over-represent emissions from this facility.

Summary – Activated Carbon Regeneration

Activated Carbon Regeneration

| | Air | Water | Land | Overall/Total |
|----------------------------------|------|-------|------|---------------|
| Data Coverage | 1/1 | | | 100% |
| Confirmed Loads (mg/ TEQ/day) | 37.4 | | | 37.4 |
| Dispersion Potential | high | | | high |

Active vs. closed: Only source ceased operation in 1997

Estimated national rank: Low

Importance of obtaining additional data: Medium-high (follow-up sampling)

Rationale: Because the facility is no longer operating, the need for additional source assessment monitoring is low. However, because source testing at Cameron-Yakima yielded the highest dioxin load for a facility documented by this assessment, and because the potential for this dioxin to be dispersed is high, we rate the need for follow-up monitoring high. This monitoring should focus on evaluating potential dioxin contamination downwind of the facility.

Importance of additional source control: Low

Rationale: Cameron-Yakima, Inc. was the only Washington State facility engaging in this activity. This facility no longer regenerates activated carbon.

Small Miscellaneous Sources with Calculated Loads

For each of three miscellaneous facilities, air emissions loads of less than 0.05 mg TEQ/d were calculated. These facilities include (1) Kaiser Trentwood Rolling Mill, an aluminum remelt furnace in Spokane Valley, (2) Kalama Chemical, an industrial boiler in Kalama, and (3) Conrad Industries, a pyrolysis unit manufacturer in Chehalis. The Kaiser Trentwood values may be the most significant of the three, since the reported calculated load represents only one of ten furnaces at this facility. The loads are shown in Appendix Table A-3.

Other Source Categories

The presence of dioxins has been confirmed but dioxin loads could not be reliably calculated for several source categories. These are therefore included as *Other Source Categories*. For these sources, ratings are given for the importance of obtaining additional data. No ratings are given for the importance of source reduction or control, because additional information would be needed to make that determination.

Cleanup Sites

Dioxins may be present at sites regulated under the state Model Toxics Control Act (MTCA) authority, federal Superfund authority administered by EPA, and sites requiring RCRA corrective actions and closures. Table 11 summarizes information for these sites.

Of the 38 sites in Table 11, dioxins were detected at 26 sites. Dioxins are suspected at six additional sites. Included in this table are three where pentachlorophenol (PCP) contamination is confirmed. PCP is typically contaminated with low levels of dioxins. Cleanup sites are not routinely tested for dioxins.

Table 11. Cleanup Sites

| Facility | County | Status | Description | Dioxin Detected | Media Tested |
|---|---------------|---|--|------------------------|--|
| American Crossarm & Conduit | Lewis | Clean Up Complete; Continued Monitoring | Landfill; PCP Wood Treating | Confirmed | Surface Water, Soil, Sediment |
| Buffalo Don Murphy Rd | Pierce | Ranked, Awaiting Clean Up | Chlorinated Phenolic Waste Storage/Staging | Confirmed | Soil |
| Cameron Yakima, Inc. | Yakima | Interim Action Complete; Site Study in Progress | Activated Carbon Regeneration/ TSD | Confirmed | Air, Soil |
| Cascade Pole & Lumber Co Tacoma | Pierce | No Further Action | PCP Wood Treating | PCP | Surface Water, Soil, Groundwater |
| Cascade Pole McFarland | Thurston | Clean Up in Progress | PCP Wood Treating | Confirmed | Groundwater, Surface Water, Soil |
| Eagle Harbor | Kitsap | Clean Up in Progress | PCP Wood Treating | Confirmed | Sediment |
| Eagle Harbor Wyckoff | Kitsap | Clean Up in Progress | PCP Wood Treating | Confirmed | Soil |
| East Waterway | Snohomish | Ranked, Awaiting Clean Up | Embayment of Puget Sound | Suspected | Soil, Sediment |
| Frank Brooks Manufacturing | Whatcom | Ranked, Awaiting Clean Up | PCP Wood Treating | PCP | Soil, Groundwater, Sediment |
| Hanford | Benton | Unknown | 2,4-D Contaminated Soil Disposal Site | Confirmed | Soil |
| International Paper Longview | Cowlitz | Clean Up in Progress | PCP Wood Treating | Suspected | Soil, Groundwater |
| JH Baxter/Port Quendall | King | Clean Up In Progress | Lumber & Wood Products | Confirmed | Soil |
| Malarkey Asphalt Company | King | Independent Clean Up In Progress | Asphalt Felts & Coatings | Confirmed | Soil |
| Mount Solo Landfill | Cowlitz | Clean Up Complete; De-listed | Weyerhaeuser Landfill | Confirmed | Groundwater, Surface Water, Air, Soil |
| Oeser Company | Whatcom | Awaiting Clean Up; Proposed for EPA National Priority Listing | PCP Wood Treating | Confirmed | Soil, Groundwater |
| Olympic Wood Products | Mason | Ranked, Awaiting Clean Up | Saw Mill | PCP | Soil |
| Pacific Sound Resources (formerly Wyckoff-West Seattle) | King | Clean Up In Progress | PCP Wood Treating | Confirmed | Soil, Water, Sediments, Groundwater |
| Pacific Wood Treating | Clark | Interim Action Complete; Clean Up in Progress | PCP Wood Treating | Testing Underway | Soil, Sediment |
| Port of Anacortes | Skagit | Awaiting Clean Up | Pulp Mill | Confirmed | Sediment |
| Port of Seattle Terminal 91 Tank | King | Clean Up In Progress; RCRA Corrective Action | Former Petroleum Bulk Terminal; Waste Oil Recycling; Chemical Reprocessing | Suspected | Groundwater, Surface Water, Soil, Sediment |
| Reichhold Chemical Lone Star | King | Ranked, Awaiting Clean Up | Chemical Manufacturing | Suspected | Groundwater, Surface Water, Soil |
| Facility | County | Status | Description | Dioxin Detected | Media Tested |
| Reichhold Chemical Inc. | Pierce | RCRA Corrective Action/Post Closure | Chemical Manufacturing | Suspected | Groundwater, Soil |

| | | | | | |
|----------------------------------|---------------|---|---|------------|--|
| Ross Electric of WA Coal Creek | Lewis | Cleanup In Progress | Unclassified Establishment | Confirmed | Soil |
| Simpson | Pierce | Clean Up Complete; Remediated | Pulp Mill | Confirmed | Groundwater, Surface Water, Air, Soil |
| Simpson Timber Company | Mason | Clean Up Complete; Remediated | Pulp Mill | Confirmed | Groundwater, Soil, Sediment, Air |
| Strandly Manning | Kitsap/Pierce | Clean Up In Progress; Site Study | Junkyard/Transformer Recycler | Confirmed | Sediment, Ash |
| Tacoma Redevelopment Property | Pierce | Remediated Or Clean Up in Progress | Thea Foss Waterway Brownfields Redevelopment | Confirmed | Groundwater, Surface Water, Soil, Sediment |
| US Army Ft Lewis Multisite | Pierce | Awaiting Clean Up | Landfill | Confirmed | Soil |
| US BPA Ross OUA | Clark | Clean Up Complete; De-listed | Electric Power Generation | PCP | Soil |
| US Navy Station Everett | Snohomish | Independent Clean Up In Progress | Jetty in Port Gardner Bay, Old WWII Navy Base | Suspected | Groundwater, Soil, Sediment |
| US Navy Sub-base | Kitsap | Clean Up In Progress | HW Disposal Site | Confirmed | Soil |
| US Navy Sub-base OU3 | Kitsap | Clean Up Complete; Continued Monitoring | HW Disposal Site | Confirmed | Soil |
| US Navy Whidbey OU2 (Ault Field) | Island | Clean Up In Progress | HW Disposal Site | Confirmed | Groundwater, Soil |
| US Navy Whidbey OU3 | Island | Clean Up In Progress | HW Disposal Site | Confirmed | Groundwater, Soil, Sediment |
| USACE Manchester Annex | Kitsap | Clean Up In Progress | Landfill | Confirmed | Soil, Sediment |
| Weyerhaeuser-Everett | Snohomish | Unknown | Bleach Plant Site | Confirmed | Water, Surface Runoff |
| Weyerhaeuser-Everett | Snohomish | Unknown | Sludge Ponds | Confirmed | Sludge |
| Weyerhaeuser-Everett East | Snohomish | Clean Up Complete | Saw Mill | Undetected | Soil |

Both on-going and closed sites are included in this table.

Sediments are also a consideration at many clean-up sites. Sediments accumulate in retention ponds and may be potential sources of dioxins. They may be particularly mobile during cleanup, remediation actions, or adjacent dredging operations. The Ecology Sediments Management Unit maintains a database of contaminated sediments, including those contaminated with dioxins.

No estimates of dioxin loading could be calculated for these sites. Once they are cleaned up or stabilized, the chance of continuing off-site contamination is minimized.

The importance of obtaining additional data for these sites is variable, depending on the nature of the site. For sites with likely dioxin contamination and the potential for dioxin to be transported off-site, the importance is high. For sites with little potential for dioxin, or those fully remediated, the importance is low.

Wood Treating Facilities

Table 12 lists information for four active and five closed wood treating facilities that treat(ed) wood with pentachlorophenol (PCP). PCP generally contains measurable concentrations of various dioxins.

Table 12. Wood Treating Facilities

| Facility | County | Facility Status | Cleanup Site | Stormwater Runoff Receiving Body |
|-----------------------------|-----------|-----------------|--------------|---|
| American Crossarm & Conduit | Lewis | Closed | EPA | Dillenbaugh Creek |
| Cascade Pole Company | Pierce | Active | MTCA | Blair Waterway |
| Cascade Pole Company | Thurston | Closed | MTCA | Budd Inlet |
| Eagle Harbor-Wykcoff | Kitsap | Closed | MTCA | Eagle Harbor |
| Frank Brooks Manufacturing | Whatcom | Active | MTCA | Whatcom Creek |
| International Paper | Cowlitz | Closed | MTCA | Area ditches, Groundwater, Columbia River |
| JH Baxter | Snohomish | Active | MTCA | Groundwater |
| Oeser Company | Whatcom | Active | EPA | Little Squalicum Creek |
| Pacific Wood Treating | Clark | Closed | MTCA | Lake River |

All of the facilities are, or have been, EPA Superfund cleanup sites or sites regulated under the Model Toxics Control Act (MTCA) and are also listed in Table 11. Dioxin contamination is confirmed at many of these sites; the source most likely is PCP.

The four active facilities have NPDES permits regulating stormwater discharge to surface or ground waters. Their existing permits call for dioxin analyses of their stormwater runoff; however, only the J.H. Baxter facility has started this monitoring. This facility discharges to groundwater via stormwater detention ponds. Stormwater runoff was sampled for dioxin and PCP at four drain sites during two rainfall events. The dioxin TEQ concentrations measured in the stormwater averaged 5,340 pg/L for the two rainfall events (Martin, 1998). If this represents average stormwater conditions, the average annual load would be 0.92 mg TEQ/day (based on inches of rain during the monitored event and average annual rainfall). Because of the highly variable nature of stormwater runoff, these loads were not considered to be directly comparable to the confirmed loads presented in earlier sections.

The importance of obtaining additional data for wood treating facilities is high, based on the high concentrations measured at the one facility with dioxin data. The dispersion potential for these facilities is high.

Oil Refineries

Catalytic reformer wastewater effluent may contain dioxins that are formed during regeneration of the reformer catalyst. Different types of reformers are regenerated at different time intervals. Some are regenerated infrequently (every 12 to 18 months) while other types are regenerated more frequently. In some cases reformer regeneration wastewater is produced daily.

Five refineries in Washington State have the potential to generate dioxin from their catalytic reformers. System wash waters were tested for dioxins at three refineries (Table 13). 2,3,7,8-TCDD and 2,3,7,8-TCDF were found at relatively high concentrations (225 pg/L and 5100 pg/L, mean of duplicates, respectively) in one-third of the samples collected at the Texaco Refinery. At ARCO, only 2,3,7,8-TCDD and 2,3,7,8-TCDF were analyzed; neither was detected. At U.S. Oil, all 17 toxic congeners were analyzed for; none were detected. Total TCDF's and HxCDF's were found at low concentrations.

It is not possible to calculate a dioxin load for these facilities, because flow rates of wash water are unknown. However, the wash water flows are estimated to be very small, so the loads associated with these facilities would be small and in some cases infrequently generated.

Limited data are available for several of Washington's refineries as mentioned above. More data will be collected as a result of requirements to be included in the refinery NPDES permits when they are renewed. The planned dioxin sample points include regeneration wastewater and refinery wastewater plant sludges where the dioxin is expected to concentrate. Flow rates will also be recorded so dioxin loads can be calculated. The available Washington State refinery data and national data (EPA, 1996b) indicate that oil refineries are not a significant source of dioxin. The data collected as part of the NPDES requirements should provide additional information on the Washington State refineries.

Because few data are available for dioxins in Washington state oil refineries, the importance of obtaining additional data is considered to be medium. Additional data will enable Ecology to better evaluate the significance of dioxin loads from refineries.

Table 13. Oil Refineries

| Facility | County | Facility Status | Media Tested |
|-------------------|---------------|------------------------|---|
| Texaco | Skagit | Active | Refinery catalytic reformer caustic wash wastewaters (Texaco, 1990) |
| ARCO | Whatcom | Active | Refinery catalytic reformer wastewaters (Lynch, 1990) |
| US Oil & Refining | Pierce | Active | Refinery catalytic reformer wastewaters (Riley, 1990) |
| Shell Anacortes | Skagit | Active | Not tested |
| TOSCO Refining | Whatcom | Active | Not tested |

Potential Source Categories

For these categories, we found no dioxin data. However, because of the types of processes and presence of chlorine/chloride, carbon, heat and/or combustion, they are potential dioxin source categories.

Structure Fires

Dioxins are potentially produced by structure fires. Although any structure fire could produce dioxins, fires involving the following are probably the most likely to produce significant amounts of dioxins: polyvinyl chloride (PVC) materials, chlorinated organic chemicals, or transformers and other electrical equipment containing PCBs. Other structures that might produce larger amounts of dioxins when burned include wood-treating facilities, any facility storing PCP, and PCP-preserved wood structures.

No data or information on dioxins produced in structure fires in Washington State were found.

Illegal Burning of Prohibited Materials

The illegal burning of prohibited materials such as PCBs, PVCs, pesticide containers and PCP-treated wood probably generates dioxins. We found no information on this category for Washington.

Metal Smelting and Refining

EPA's draft Dioxin Reassessment (EPA, 1994a) identifies the following industry types as potentially producing dioxins:

- Primary nonferrous metal smelting/refining (aluminum, copper, lead)
- Secondary nonferrous metal smelting/refining (aluminum, copper, lead)
- Drum and barrel reclamation and incineration
- Scrap electric wire recovery

We did not find any dioxin data associated with these industries in Washington State.

In a separate study, Ecology tested several fertilizers and soil amendments for dioxins. Ecology found that several had high concentrations of dioxins, particularly those fertilizers made from electric arc furnace dust from steel mills (K061 wastes). Previously, K061 wastes had not been analyzed for dioxins. (Ecology also tested materials made from cement kiln dust and hog-fuel boiler fly ash; these data are included in the section dealing with *Confirmed Sources*.)

The steel foundry dust imported by Bay Zinc, Inc. to make fertilizer had a dioxin load calculated at 11.6 mg TEQ/d, higher than loads associated with Holnam Cement kiln dust and Ft. James fly ash, both of which are also used as fertilizers or soil amendments. The imported steel foundry dust load is not discussed in the *Confirmed Sources* section of this report because the original source of dioxin was not within Washington State.

This fertilizer study showed that steel foundry dust (K061 waste) is likely to be contaminated with dioxins. Table 14 lists Washington State generators of K061 waste and shows current disposal locations.

Table 14. Sources and Disposition of Steel Foundry Dust (K061)

| Facility | County | Facility Description | RCRA K061 Waste | Disposition |
|--|--------|---|--|--|
| Seattle Port of Kent Site | King | Primary Metal Products; Former Jorgensen site | K061 (1993, one-time, non-recurrent electric arc dust) | Sent to Arlington, OR Subtitle C Hazardous Waste Landfill. They are investigating the SuperDetox process (Reuter, 1998) |
| Birmingham Steel Corp Seattle Division | King | Blast Furnaces & Steel Mills | K061 (from APCD) | Sent to EnviroSource in Idaho; SuperDetox process renders cement-like solid waste that is landfilled in Subtitle D Solid Waste Landfill (Reuter, 1998) |
| Jorgensen Forge Corp | King | Iron & Steel Metal Forgings | K061 (from APCD) | Sent to Arlington, OR Subtitle C Hazardous Waste Landfill. They are investigating the SuperDetox process (Reuter, 1998) |

Ecology will be conducting additional investigations into dioxin levels of dioxins in fertilizers and soil amendments, including waste-derived products that may contain K061.

Additional Potential Sources

We did not locate any information for many small, potential sources of dioxin production. Tire combustion, spills responded to by Ecology and sewage sludge incineration were investigated as potential dioxin sources, but no data were found. Other potential sources identified in EPA's 1994 Dioxin Reassessment include:

- Charcoal briquette combustion (residential)
- Coal combustion (residential, industrial, utility)
- Kraft black liquor boilers
- Motor vehicle fuel combustion (diesel, leaded, unleaded)
- Oil combustion (residential, industrial)
- Organic chemical manufacture
- PCB combustion (transformers, office buildings)
- PCP treated surfaces
- Pyrolysis of brominated flame retardants
- Sewage sludge incineration
- Tire combustion
- Wood burning (residences, forest fires)

Conclusions and Recommendations

The conclusions and recommendations reached during this study derive, in large part, from the importance assigned to additional data collection and source control for each of the confirmed source categories. Tables 15a and 15b summarize the information that led to these importance ratings.

The Washington State Dioxin Source Assessment leads to five general conclusions and associated recommendations.

Conclusion 1

Dioxin source data are incomplete.

Washington's dioxin source data are sparse. The data summarized in this report vary in quality and completeness. Although these data provide a useful perspective, they are not comprehensive. The absence of comprehensive source data is not surprising, given the lack of comprehensive requirements for dioxin source monitoring.

Recommendation

Fill priority data gaps.

Recommendations to fill data gaps are listed below in priority order. These priorities are based, in large part, on the importance ratings provided in Tables 15a and 15b.

1. Improve the quantity and quality of data available on dioxin loads in air emissions and fly ash generated by hog-fuel boilers. Factors to consider in setting priorities for data collection include:
 - Whether facilities are burning salty hog fuel, sludge, or other materials containing chloride or chlorine.
 - The size and throughput of the facilities.
2. Improve the completeness of dioxin load data for incinerators.
 - Obtain adequate fly ash data for incinerators where these data are sparse or absent.
 - Obtain adequate air emissions data for medical waste incinerators. Implementation of EPA's new use performance standards for new medical waste incinerators and emissions guidelines for existing medical waste incinerators will address these data needs.

Table 15a. Evaluation of the “Importance” of Confirmed Source Categories¹

| Source Category | Data Coverage | | | Confirmed Loads (mg/day, estimated) | | | | Facility Status Summary | National Rank | Dispersion Potential | | | Importance | |
|--------------------------------|---------------|--------------|-------------|-------------------------------------|--------------|-------------------------|--------------|-------------------------|---------------|----------------------|--------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| | <i>Air</i> | <i>Water</i> | <i>Land</i> | <i>Air</i> | <i>Water</i> | <i>Land²</i> | <i>Total</i> | | | <i>Air</i> | <i>Water</i> | <i>Land²</i> | Obtaining Additional Data | Source Reduction/Control |
| Incinerators | 7/22 | 0/1 | 3/22 | 8.8 | - | 33.1 | 41.9 | largely active | 1st | high | - | generally low | High | Variable ³ |
| Hog-Fuel Boilers | 2/84 | - | 3/84 | 0.3 | - | 22.8 | 23.0 | 1 closed, 83 active | 5th | high | - | variable | High | Potentially High |
| Bleached Pulp and Paper | - | 9/9 | 2/2 | - | 10.7 | 1.9 | 12.6 | active | 4th | - | high | variable | Medium | Medium |
| Cement Kilns | 2/3 | - | 1/2 | 1.3 | - | 0.1 | 1.4 | 1 closed, 2 active | 3rd | high | - | medium | Medium /Low | Medium /Low |
| Activated Carbon Regeneration | 1/1 | - | - | 37.4 | - | - | 37.4 | closed | low | high | - | - | Medium /High | Low |
| Municipal Wastewater Treatment | - | 0/250 | 1/250 | - | - | 0.3 | 0.3 | active | 7th | - | high | high | Medium | Potentially Medium |

¹ The development of “importance ratings” and the information contained in this table are discussed in the *Results and Discussion* chapter of this report

² Loads to land incorporate a range of practices including land application and disposal in landfills. The potential for dispersion associated with these practices is addressed in the body of this report

³ Importance of fly ash sequestering – High

Table 15b. Evaluation of the “Importance” of Other Source Categories

| Source Category | Importance of Additional Data Collection |
|-----------------|--|
| Wood Treaters | High |
| Cleanup Sites | Variable |
| Oil Refineries | Medium |

3. When the NPDES permits for the bleached pulp and paper production facilities are renewed include, as a minimum, requirements to report data on the full range of dioxin/furan congeners in effluent.
4. Require dioxin and furan testing from all wood-treating facilities currently using pentachlorophenol.
5. Test steel foundry dust for dioxins.
6. Because dioxins are preferentially associated with solids rather than water, increase testing of municipal wastewater treatment biosolids for dioxins. This increased testing should be prioritized based on known or likely industrial sources of dioxins to the municipal wastewater facility, as well as the volume and final disposition of biosolids generated by the facility. Based on the results of this testing, re-evaluate biosolids management practices and initiate testing of wastewater effluents, as necessary.
7. Most bleached pulp and paper mills burn sludges generated by the treatment of their wastewaters. Determining whether this process produces or destroys dioxins is an important step in effectively managing these sludges.
8. This project only addresses sources of dioxin originating within Washington State. Further evaluation of out-of-state sources that may contribute loads to Washington is recommended. These include industrial sources discharging to shared watersheds and airsheds, as well as imported products including fertilizers and soil amendments. Fertilizer testing authorized by 1998 legislation (SSB 6474) should assist in this effort.
9. To completely assess the role of cement kilns in dioxin production, additional air emissions tests at the Ash Grove kiln would be necessary.
10. Where there is a likely potential for dioxin to be present at MTCA, Superfund and RCRA cleanup sites, the site should be tested for dioxins. This includes sites with residues from the incineration of PCBs or other chlorinated organics, sites (such as wood-treating sites) that have a history of pentachlorophenol use, and sites where 2,4,5-T is present at significant concentrations.

Conclusion 2

Two of the facilities with some of the highest estimated loads ceased operations in 1997.

The Rayonier bleached pulp mill (Port Angeles) and the Cameron-Yakima activated carbon regeneration facility (Yakima) ceased operation in 1997. When in operation, these

facilities had among the highest overall dioxin loads estimated during this assessment. Both sites are in the initial phases of site characterization for cleanup.

Recommendations

1. Conduct follow-up environmental monitoring for dioxins downwind of the Cameron-Yakima facility.
2. EPA is engaged in a large monitoring effort near the Rayonier, Port Angeles, site. Substantial data on dioxin concentrations in soil and sediment will be available in summer 1998. These data should provide a sound basis for future steps.

Conclusion 3

The importance of further source reduction/control was rated high for incinerators and hog-fuel boilers.

Recommendations

We suggest Ecology take the following initial actions to reduce the magnitude and dispersion of these loads:

Incinerators

1. Continue steps to adopt regulations that incorporate (a) federal air emissions performance standards for new medical waste incinerators, and (b) emissions guidelines for existing medical waste incinerators.
2. Pursue opportunities for waste reduction and recycling, thereby limiting the amount of waste disposed of through incineration.

Hog-fuel Boilers

3. Ecology is developing Reasonably Achievable Control Technology (RACT) for hog-fuel boilers. The production and release of dioxins by these boilers will be considered as RACT is defined. One goal of RACT analysis and implementation will be to reduce the dispersion and overall production of dioxins from these boilers.

General

4. Determine if solid and dangerous waste designations adequately capture dioxin-containing wastes including fly ash generated by hog-fuel boilers, municipal waste incinerators and medical waste incinerators. Expand testing to fill data gaps and assure that appropriate sequestration of these wastes continues.

Conclusion 4

Compiling existing environmental data would provide critical supplemental information.

This project, through compilation of existing data, provides a useful beginning in evaluating dioxin sources. During this project we identified a number of references containing environmental dioxin data. Compiling existing data on dioxin concentrations in Washington's environment and filling the data gaps revealed by this compilation would:

1. Increase our knowledge of dioxin sources. Additional environmental data are likely to identify dioxin "hot spots" and presently unrecognized sources.
2. Give context to environmental dioxin data. Washington's background dioxin concentrations are unknown. Site assessments for dioxin are difficult to perform without knowing an area's background dioxin levels.
3. Represent a logical progression, expanding our knowledge from sources to the ambient environment as displayed by the Dioxin Source and Fate Conceptual Model (Figure 2, page 5).

Recommendations

1. Compile existing environmental data to address dioxin concentrations in Washington's environment. This project should emphasize compilation of data on:
 - Freshwater and marine sediments
 - Soils (including data being generated under 1998 SSB 6474)
 - Freshwater and marine fish and shellfish
2. Based on the results of this compilation, design the scope-of-work to fill critical gaps in ambient data. Such a study should consider use of fish and/or wildlife tissue analysis. Animal indicators provide integration of cross-media spatial and temporal dioxin exposures.

3. Identify key environmental indicators (e.g., concentrations in the tissue of selected birds, fish or mammals, and concentrations in sediment cores) based on environmental monitoring results that are consistent with the dioxin source and fate conceptual model. Tracking these indicators over time will show whether or not actions taken to reduce the release of dioxins to the environment are effective.

Conclusion 5

This report represents a major first step in developing a strategy for managing bioaccumulative, persistent, and toxic compounds.

The process of looking at dioxin sources across media, organizational, and regulatory boundaries was successful in providing a snapshot view of dioxin releases to the environment, to the extent existing information allows.

Recommendation

1. Ecology, under the direction of Ecology's Bioaccumulative Chemicals of Concern Committee and in cooperation with other agencies, should continue to invest in projects that further our understanding of bioaccumulative, persistent, and toxic compounds in Washington State.
2. This report is an early step in a strategy to reduce production and dissemination of dioxins. Subsequent steps could include the virtual elimination of man-made sources and the dispersion of dioxin. Information generated by this effort should inform the development of subsequent strategies to effectively manage and eliminate other bioaccumulative, persistent, and toxic compounds.

Glossary

Air Pollution Control Device (APCD) – In this report, a device that collects particulate matter from an air emission before it is released to the environment. Examples include electrostatic precipitators (ESPs), cyclones, multi-cyclones, wet scrubbers, and baghouses.

Bottom Ash – Ash too heavy to be carried up the stack by flue gas; sometimes referred to as “grate ash”; may be mixed with grate siftings.

Confirmed Source – A facility or process for which a dioxin load was calculated.

Congener – A series of compounds with the same base structure but varying degrees of substituted functional groups.

Dioxin – In this report, “dioxin” refers to all toxic (2,3,7,8-chlorine-substituted) forms of the dioxins and furans.

Fly Ash – Ash too light to fall out as grate or bottom ash; therefore, ash emitted from the source. Also, ash collected by air pollution control devices rather than being emitted from the stack in the flue gas.

Load – The rate at which dioxins are generated or emitted by a source. Calculated from test data measuring release to air, water, and land. Expressed as mg TEQ/day.

Mixed Ash – A mixture of fly ash and grate and/or bottom ash.

Potential Source – Facilities with same or similar processes as confirmed sources but for which no dioxin load could be calculated.

Toxicity Equivalency Factor (TEF) – A measure of the potency of one congener relative to that of 2,3,7,8-TCDD. The congener’s concentration is multiplied by the toxicity equivalency factor to obtain the toxic equivalents for that sample.

Toxic Equivalents (TEQ) – The equivalent toxicity relative to 2,3,7,8-TCDD for each of the 2,3,7,8-chlorine-substituted dioxin and furan congeners. Also refers to the total equivalent toxicity if a compound contains more than one congener.

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Appendices

Appendix A

Supplemental Tables

Table A-1. Example calculations of dioxin TEQ and load.

| Facility | | XYZ Facility | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|-------|-------------------------|-------|-------------------------------------|-------|--------|
| Sample Name | | Ash Analysis | | | | |
| Lab | | A-1 Analytical Services | | | | |
| Sample Number | | 123456 | | | | |
| Date | | 1/1/94 | | | | |
| | | Value (ng/kg) | Qual. | TEQ (ng/kg) <Detection Limit = * | | |
| Congener | TEF | | | 0 | 1/2DL | DL |
| TCDD | | 16.2 | | | | |
| 2,3,7,8-TCDD | 1 | 2.1 U | | 0 | | 2.1 |
| PCDD | | 7.31 | | | | |
| 1,2,3,7,8-PCDD | 0.5 | 5.4 U | | 0 | | 2.7 |
| HxCDD | | 84.9 | | | | |
| 1,2,3,4,7,8-HxCDD | 0.1 | 5.68 | | 0.568 | | 0.568 |
| 1,2,3,6,7,8-HxCDD | 0.1 | 7.24 | | 0.724 | | 0.724 |
| 1,2,3,7,8,9-HxCDD | 0.1 | 12.3 | | 1.23 | | 1.23 |
| HpCDD | | 184 | | | | |
| 1,2,3,4,6,7,8-HpCDD | 0.01 | 94.4 | | 0.944 | | 0.944 |
| OCDD | 0.001 | 551 | | 0.551 | | 0.551 |
| TCDF | | 223 | | | | |
| 2,3,7,8-TCDF | 0.1 | 30.6 | | 3.06 | | 3.06 |
| PCDF | | 120 | | | | |
| 1,2,3,7,8-PCDF | 0.05 | 8.53 | | 0.4265 | | 0.4265 |
| 2,3,4,7,8-PCDF | 0.5 | 12.7 | | 6.35 | | 6.35 |
| HxCDF | | 128 | | | | |
| 1,2,3,4,7,8-HxCDF | 0.1 | 34.6 | | 3.46 | | 3.46 |
| 1,2,3,6,7,8-HxCDF | 0.1 | 13.7 | | 1.37 | | 1.37 |
| 2,3,4,6,7,8-HxCDF | 0.1 | 25.5 | | 2.55 | | 2.55 |
| 1,2,3,7,8,9-HxCDF | 0.1 | 1.9 U | | 0 | | 0.19 |
| HpCDF | | 218 | | | | |
| 1,2,3,4,6,7,8-HpCDF | 0.01 | 160 | | 1.6 | | 1.6 |
| 1,2,3,4,7,8,9-HpCDF | 0.01 | 13.6 | | 0.136 | | 0.136 |
| OCDF | 0.001 | 118 | | 0.118 | | 0.118 |
| EPA TEQ | | | | 23.09 | | 28.08 |
| Waste Production Rate (tons/year) | | | | 8,762 | | 8,762 |
| TEQ load (mg/day) | | | | 0.503 | 0.557 | 0.611 |

U = Less than detection limit

* = 0: if congener not detected, concentration assumed = 0

½ DL: if congener not detected, concentration assumed = ½ detection limit

DL : if congener not detected, concentration assumed = detection limit

Table A-2. Comparative 2,3,7,8 – TCDD Levels Established for Human Health Protection.

| Concentration | Criteria or Criterion | Comments |
|--------------------------------|--|--|
| 0.000000013 ug/L (ppb) | USEPA National Toxics Rule (1992) | Criterion protecting humans consuming water & organisms |
| 0.000000014 ug/L (ppb) | USEPA National Toxics Rule (1992) | Criterion protecting humans consuming organisms only |
| 0.0000006 ug/L (ppb) | Chapter 173-300 WAC Water Quality Standards for Ground Waters of the State of Washington (1990) | Carcinogen criterion |
| 1.00 ng/kg (pptr) | US Food & Drug Administration (1997) | “Level of Concern” for edible tissue of chicken eggs & catfish sold for use in human food. |
| 6.67 ¹ ng/kg (pptr) | Washington State Model Toxics Control Act (MTCA) Cleanup Levels and Risk Calculations (CLARC II) Update (1996) | Method B Residential Soil Standard |

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¹ Expressed as TEQ

Table A-3. Dioxin Loads from Tested Facilities (page 1 of 3)

| Facility | Location | Process | Year | Load to (mg TEQ/day): | | | Total | Citation | Notes |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|--|----------------|-----------------------|-------|--------|--|--|---|
| | | | | Air | Water | Land | | | |
| Ash Grove Cement | Seattle | Cement Kiln | 1996 | 0.0 | | | 0.0 | Valid Results, Inc., 1996. | |
| Boise Cascade Pulp and Paper | Wallula | Bleach Pulp & Paper | 1991-1997 | | 0.78 | 0.081 | | McCall, 1997. Johnson and Heffner, 1992. | Sludge is both compo ¹ (Ave. of 24 results) ² |
| | | | 1992 | | 0.32 | | | | |
| | | | Average | | 0.76 | 0.081 | 0.84 | Average of all results | |
| Cameron-Yakima (NO LONGER ACTIVE) | Yakima | Activated Carbon Regeneration | 1994 | 37.4 | | | 37.4 | Bison Engineering, 1995. | |
| Conrad Industries | Chehalis | Manufacture of Pyrolysis Units | 1994 | 0.000405 | | | 0.00041 | Hansen, Guenthoer, and Blaisdell, 1994. | |
| Daishowa Pulp and Paper | Port Angeles | Hog Fuel Boiler | 1996 | NT | | 0.012 | 0.012 | Hannah, 1996. | Ash disposed of at ne |
| Fort James Pulp and Paper | Camas | Hog Fuel Boiler Bleach Pulp & Paper | 1997 | | | 0.54 | | Magoon, 1997 McCall, 1997. | Ash is marketed as "T land. ¹ (Ave. of 15 results) |
| | | | 1991-1997 | | 1.9 | | | | |
| | | | Average | | 1.9 | 0.54 | 2.39 | | |
| Fort Lewis Incinerator | Tacoma | Municipal Incinerator | 1997 | 0.0028 | | | | Weston, 1997 Peterson, 1996. | Ash disposed of at the Roosevelt, WA. Fly and bottom ash |
| | | | 1997 | | | 0.76 | | | |
| | | | Average | 0.0028 | | 0.76 | 0.76 | | |
| Georgia-Pacific Pulp and Paper | Bellingham | Bleach Pulp & Paper | 1991-1997 | | 1.7 | | | McCall, 1997. Golding, 1994. | ¹ (Ave. of 22 results) None Detected. ² |
| | | | 1993 | | 0.00 | | | | |
| | | | Average | | 1.7 | | 1.7 | Average of all results | |
| Holnam Inc. | Seattle | Cement Kiln | 1994 | 0.71 | | NT | | Hansen, Guenthoer, Orton, and Blaisdell, 1994. | Cement kiln dust is m waste stabilization, ro |
| | | | 1995 | 2.9 | | | | | |
| | | | 1995 | 1.1 | | NT | Hansen, Mackey, and Blaisdell, 1995. Hansen, Mackey, and Blaisdell, 1995. | | |
| | | | 1996 | 1.2 | | | | | |
| | | | 1996 | 1.0 | | 0.0038 | Hansen, Blaisdell and Mackey, 1996. Hansen, Blaisdell and Mackey, 1996; Smith, 1996. | | |
| | | | 1996 | 0.64 | | | | | |
| | | | 1996 | | | 0.0948 | Hansen, Blaisdell and Mackey, 1996. Magoon, 1997 Magoon, 1997 | | |
| | | | 1997 | | | 0.0674 | | | |
| Average | 1.3 | | 0.055 | 1.3 | | | | | |
| Kaiser Aluminum Rolling Mill | Spokane | Remelt Furnace(s) | 1997 | 0.031 | | | 0.031 | Hansen, Blaisdell and Anderson, 1996. | Test for 1 of 10 remel |
| Kalama Chemical Co. | Kalama | Industrial Boiler/Waste Burner | 1996 | 0.00029 | | | 0.00029 | International Technology Corp., 1996. | |

Table A-3. Dioxin Loads from Tested Facilities (page 2 of 3)

| Facility | Location | Process | Year | Load to (mg TEQ/day): | | | Total | Citation | Notes |
|---|--------------|-------------------------------------|----------------|-----------------------|-------------|------|-------------------------|---|---|
| | | | | Air | Water | Land | | | |
| Kimberly-Clark Pulp and Paper | Everett | Bleach Pulp & Paper | 1991-1997 | | 0.40 | | 0.40 | McCall, 1997. | ¹ (Ave. of 11 results) |
| Longview Fiber Pulp and Paper | Longview | Bleach Pulp & Paper | 1993 | | 0.020 | | | Stasch, 1996. | ¹ (Ave. of 14 results) |
| | | | 1991-1997 | | 0.76 | | | McCall, 1997. | |
| | | | Average | | 0.71 | | 0.71 | | |
| Northwest Hospital | Seattle | Medical Waste Incinerator | 1995 | 0.15 | NT | | 0.15 | Hansen, Orton and Blaisdell, 1995c. | |
| Olivine Municipal Incinerator | Ferndale | Municipal Incinerator | 1994 | 7.2 | NT | | | Emission Technologies, Inc., 1995. | Operated infrequently Ash disposed of at the Roosevelt, WA. |
| | | | 1995 | 0.41 | NT | | | Emission Technologies, Inc., 1996. | |
| | | | Average | 3.8 | NT | | 3.8 | | |
| Rayonier Pulp and Paper (NO LONGER ACTIVE) | Port Angeles | Hog Fuel Boiler | 1989(1) | NT | 1.2 | | | Foster Wheeler, 1997; Perlwitz, 1997 | Ash was disposed of |
| | | | 1989(2) | NT | 12.5 | | | Foster Wheeler, 1997; Perlwitz, 1997 | "Fly Ash", Calc. @ 6 |
| | | | 1993 | NT | 68.9 | | | Redman, 1993; Perlwitz, 1997. | "Filter Ash", Calc. @ |
| | | | 1995 | 0.17 | NT | | | Foster Wheeler, 1997; Perlwitz, 1997 | "Filter Ash", Calc. @ |
| | | | 1997 | NT | 6.27 | | | Foster Wheeler, 1997; Perlwitz, 1997 | "Ash, vacuum filter & g |
| | | Bleach Pulp & Paper | 1989 | 12.3 | | | | Foster Wheeler, 1997; Perlwitz, 1997 | "#3 Mill Effluent" |
| | | | 1990(1) | 15.3 | | | | Foster Wheeler, 1997; Perlwitz, 1997 | "Extended Outfall" |
| | | | 1990(2) | 0.19 | | | | Foster Wheeler, 1997; Perlwitz, 1997 | "Extended Outfall" |
| | | | 1991 | 51.9 | | | | Foster Wheeler, 1997; Perlwitz, 1997 | "Extended Outfall" |
| | | | 1992(1) | 27.1 | | | | Foster Wheeler, 1997; Perlwitz, 1997 | "Final Effluent" |
| | | | 1992(2) | 10 | | | | Foster Wheeler, 1997; Perlwitz, 1997 | "Final Effluent" |
| | | | 1992(3) | 3.5 | | | | Foster Wheeler, 1997; Perlwitz, 1997 | "Final Effluent" |
| | | | 1994 | 0 | | | | Foster Wheeler, 1997; Perlwitz, 1997 | "Extended outfall" |
| | | | 1992(4) | 20.7 | | | | Foster Wheeler, 1997; Perlwitz, 1997 | "Final Effluent" |
| | | | 1993-1996 | 0.10 | | | | McCall, 1997. | ¹ (Ave. of 20 results) |
| Average | 0.17 | 4.93 | 22.2 | | 27.3 | | Average of all results. | | |
| Recomp Incinerator | Ferndale | Medical/Municipal Waste Incinerator | 1988 | 4.0 | NT | | | Hansen, Guenthoer, and Blaisdell, 1989. | Ash disposed of at the Roosevelt, WA; previ |
| | | | 1994 | NT | 0.62 | | | Recomp of Washington, 1995. | |
| | | | 1995 | NT | 0.62 | | | Recomp of Washington, 1996. | |
| | | | 1996 | NT | 2.2 | | | Recomp of Washington, 1997. | |
| | | | Average | 4.0 | | 1.1 | | 5.1 | |
| Renton Sewage Treatment Plant | Renton | Municipal Wastewater Treatment | 1989 | | NT | 0.26 | | USEPA, Office of Water, 1989. | Most biosolids land-a western Washington : |
| | | | 1997 | | NT | 0.43 | | King, 1998. | |
| | | | Average | | | 0.35 | | 0.35 | |
| Simpson Kraft Pulp and Paper | Tacoma | Bleach Pulp & Paper | 1991 | | 13.7 | | | Heffner, 1992. | ² Not included in over- discrepancies. ¹ (Ave. of 16 results) |
| | | | 1991-1997 | | 0.00 | | | McCall, 1997. | |
| | | | Average | | 0.00 | | 0.00 | | |

Table A-3. Dioxin Loads from Tested Facilities (page 3 of 3)

| Facility | Location | Process | Year | Load to (mg TEQ/day): | | | Total | Citation | Notes | |
|-------------------------------|------------|-------------------------------------|----------------|-----------------------|-------|-------|-------------|--|---|---|
| | | | | Air | Water | Land | | | | |
| Spokane Municipal Incinerator | Spokane | Municipal Incinerator | 1991 | 0.28 | | NT | | Clean Air Engineering, 1992. | Ash disposed of at the Roosevelt, WA. Total Ash | |
| | | | 1992 | 0.0040 | | NT | | Pence, 1992. | | |
| | | | 1992 | | | 24.3 | | | | Laucks Lab, 1992 |
| | | | 1993 | 0.0084 | | NT | | | | Hansen, Guenthoer, Orton, and Blaisdell, 1994a. |
| | | | 1994 | 0.24 | | NT | | | | Hansen, Guenthoer, Orton, and Blaisdell, 1994b. |
| | | | 1995 | 0.0039 | | 38.0 | | | | Hansen, Guenthoer, and Blaisdell, 1995a; Unknown, 1995. |
| | | | 1997 | 0.98 | | NT | | | | Hansen, Guenthoer, and Blaisdell, 1998. |
| | | | Average | 0.25 | | 31.15 | 31.4 | | | |
| Tacoma City Light | Tacoma | Cogeneration | 1990 | 0.25 | | NT | | Hansen, Orton, and Blaisdell, 1991. | Ash sold to hazardous and storage facilities. | |
| | | | 1991 | 0.0029 | | NT | | Hansen, Guenthoer and Blaisdell, 1991. | | |
| | | | 1991 | 0.032 | | NT | | Hansen, Guenthoer, and Blaisdell, 1992a. | | |
| | | | 1991 | 0.027 | | NT | | Hansen, Guenthoer, and Blaisdell, 1992b. | | |
| | | | | Average | 0.078 | | | | | 0.078 |
| VA Hospital | Seattle | Medical Waste Incinerator | 1995 | 0.54 | | NT | 0.54 | Hansen, Guenthoer and Blaisdell, 1995b. | | |
| Weyerhaeuser Pulp and Paper | Cosmopolis | Bleach Pulp & Paper | 1993-1997 | | 0.21 | | | McCall, 1997. | ¹ (Ave. of 14 results) | |
| | | | 1991 | | 0 | | | Golding and Heffner, 1993. | | |
| | | | 1991 | | 0 | | | Golding and Heffner, 1993. | | |
| | | | | Average | | 0.20 | | | | 0.20 |
| Weyerhaeuser Pulp and Paper | Longview | Bleach Pulp & Paper Hog Fuel Boiler | 1991-1997 | | 0.13 | 1.76 | | McCall, 1997. | ¹ (Ave. of 29 results) ("Test #2", Fuel = wood) | |
| | | | 1990 | 0.11 | | | | Weyerhaeuser, 1991. | | |
| | | | | Average | 0.11 | 0.13 | 1.76 | | | 2.00 |

Key:
NT - Not tested

¹ Average of results from NPDES self-reporting data, 1991 to present. TCDD and TCDF only. (Number of results in parentheses).

² Department of Ecology compliance monitoring inspection, includes all congeners.

Table A-4. State and Federal Laws Authorizing Data Collection

Regulatory Authority

Ecology's authority to require dioxin and furan testing is limited; this results in limited loading data being available for Washington facilities. This table summarizes Washington and federal regulations authorizing or requiring dioxin data collection.

Air Sources (General)

New Sources

Chapter 173-400 WAC, General Regulations for Air Pollution Sources

Provides mechanisms for requiring dioxin testing under Section 110 (New source review) which can lead to the inclusion of dioxin monitoring requirements in the facility's Notice of Construction.

Existing Sources

Chapter 173-434-210 WAC, Solid Waste Incinerator Facilities

Chapter 173-405-091 WAC, Kraft Pulping Mills

Chapter 173-410-100 WAC, Sulfite Pulping Mills

These regulations allow Ecology to require "special studies relevant to process emissions." Chapter 173-434-210 WAC states "These special studies may include the requirement to conduct studies of dioxin emission and control measures."

Municipal Waste Incinerators

Ash

Chapter 173-306 WAC, Special Incinerator Ash Management Standards

Requires collection and analysis of bottom and fly ash from municipal waste incinerators burning over 12 tons of municipal waste per day. This requirement only applies to ash that designates as a "state only dangerous waste" and is specified in WAC 173-306-200(4)(f).

Wastewater Dischargers

Wastewater

Chapter 173-220 WAC, National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit Program

Allows Ecology to require monitoring including “pollutants which are subject to reduction or elimination under the terms...of the permit” [Section 210(1)(a)(ii)], and “pollutants which the department finds could have a significant impact on surface waters” [Section 210(1)(a)(iii)].

Chapter 173-216 WAC, State Waste Discharge Permit Program

Requires permits to “specify conditions necessary to prevent and control waste discharges to waters in the state, including...any conditions necessary to meet applicable water quality standards for surface waters or to preserve or protect beneficial uses for ground waters” [Section 110(1)(d)] and “any appropriate monitoring, reporting and record keeping requirements as specified by the department...” [Section 110(1)(g)].

Generally, regulatory authority is media-specific. The authority and regulations applied to one medium do not usually apply to other media. The authority to require or authorize dioxin testing is often not explicit, but must be interpreted from the regulations, leading to inconsistencies in the way data are generated. There is no cross-media authority (e.g., a regulation that applies to persistent, bioaccumulative, toxic pollutants across all environmental media) that facilitates collection of comprehensive, consistent data from known or potential sources.

Table A-5. Low, average, and high dioxin loads for bleach pulp and paper mill facilities, period of record (2,3,7,8-TCDD and 2,3,7,8-TCDF only). Loads in mg TEQ/day.

| <i>Facility</i> | <i># of Samples</i> | <i>Low (mg/day)</i> | <i>Average (mg/day)</i> | <i>High (mg/day)</i> |
|---|---------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|
| James River, Camas - "ASB Effluent" | 16 | 0.00 | 1.85 | 23.50 |
| Georgia Pacific - "Effluent" | 24 | 0.62 | 1.71 | 4.37 |
| Boise Cascade, Wallula - Secondary and Final Effluent | 25 | 0.00 | 0.78 | 3.78 |
| Longview Fibre, Longview - "Final Mill Effluent" | 14 | 0.00 | 0.76 | 3.59 |
| Kimberly Clark - Sum of 3 outfalls | 11 | 0.00 | 0.40 | 3.34 |
| Weyerhaeuser, Cosmopolis - "Pond D Effluent" | 14 | 0.06 | 0.21 | 0.41 |
| Weyerhaeuser, Longview - "Secondary Effluent" | 21 | 0.00 | 0.13 | 0.35 |
| Rayonier, Port Angeles - "Final Effluent" | 20 | 0.00 | 0.10 | 1.05 |
| Simpson Tacoma Kraft, Tacoma - "Secondary Effluent" | 16 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |

Appendix B

Methods

Methods

Data Gathering Strategies

Several strategies were used to gather dioxin data as well as names of organizations and facilities potentially having dioxin data. To locate data and potential sources within Ecology, contacts in each program were established. Data files and databases were searched for both dioxin data and facilities with the potential for dioxin data. These resources included:

- Air Quality Program (AQP) list of potential hospital/medical waste incinerators
- AQP wood waste boiler survey data
- Environmental Investigations and Laboratory Services (EILS) report bibliography
- Hazardous Waste and Toxics Reduction Program (HWTRP) petition and certificate of designation files
- Sediment Section database
- Toxics Cleanup Program (TCP) Facility Site Database
- Water Quality Program (WQP) Wastewater Permit Life Cycle System (WPLCS) database of Daily Monitoring Reports (DMRs)
- Solid Waste and Financial Assistance Program (SWFAP) Municipal Incinerator Annual Reports and ash data.

Ecology's Manchester Laboratory database was searched for contracted dioxin analyses. HWTRP also held a discussion about dioxins and asked attendees for their knowledge of such data or sources.

The Washington State Department of Health was contacted for lists of hospitals and veterinary clinics. Regional air pollution control authorities and USEPA were contacted for dioxin data and potential source names. In a few cases, facilities themselves were contacted for data or clarification of data.

Lists of potential sources were obtained and combined from a variety of sources:

- Hog-fuel (Wood-Waste) Boilers
The table of hog-fuel (wood-waste) boilers as potential dioxin sources originated from Ecology's Air Quality Program wood-waste boiler survey (Ecology, 1997a). Air pollution control authorities were also contacted for their knowledge of such boilers in their respective regions.
- Medical Waste Incinerators
The initial list of possible medical waste incinerators was obtained from the AQP. Additional inquiries were made to regional air pollution control authorities. We added county locations and facility status (i.e., active or closed). The Department of Health was contacted for information on veterinary and crematory incinerator

sources (Phillips, 1997). Because these facilities typically do *not* routinely burn plastics and since no supporting data were located, veterinary and crematory incinerators were not included in this list.

- **USEPA and State MTCA Cleanup Sites**
Staff from Ecology's TCP provided information about clean-up sites, including information from their database as well as verbal and written information. USEPA site managers were also contacted about specific sites.
- **Pentachlorophenol Wood Treating Facilities**
Active PCP wood treating facilities were identified by WQP staff. TCP site managers and HWTRP personnel identified the closed sites.
- **Oil Refineries**
Ecology's Industrial Section provided reports on dioxin found in catalytic reformer batched wastewaters. Loads were not calculated for these facilities because wastewater volumes were not available.
- **Municipal Waste Incinerators**
Data were obtained from AQP, SWFAP, and local air pollution control agencies.

Conventions Used in Processing Quantitative Data

A single cited document may contain more than one sampling event. A single load was calculated for each sampling event reported. In some cases, an individual load may represent a single point in space and time (e.g., loads calculated from a grab sample and an instantaneous wastewater flow). In other cases, the single load may represent multi-day samples collected from several stacks at a single facility and varying stack gas flow rates associated with the several days and samples. A database was designed for this assessment. It includes the items shown in Table B-1.

Table B-1. Database Parameters

| Major Parameter | Minor Parameter | Description |
|-----------------|-----------------------|--|
| Citation | Title | Title of citation containing data |
| | Type | Type of document (e.g., source test, memorandum) |
| | Author(s) | Name(s) of authors |
| | Organization | Affiliation of authors |
| | Date | Publication date |
| | Publication Number | Publication number |
| Facility | Name | Name of facility where testing occurred |
| | County | County where facility is located |
| | Category | Facility category (e.g., medical waste incinerator, cement kiln) |
| Process | Type | Type of process tested (e.g., wastewater treatment, wood-fired boiler) |
| Results | Material Sampled | Material description (e.g., fly ash, wastewater, air emission, etc.) |
| | Start date | Date when sampling began or occurred |
| | End date | Date when sampling ended |
| | Sampling Organization | Affiliation of personnel conducting sampling |
| | Laboratory | Name of laboratory performing analyses |
| | Type | Number and type of congeners tested for |
| | Mass rate notes | How mass rate or load was calculated or detected |
| | TEQ loads | Milligrams TEQ/day calculated in each of 3 ways (see below) |

Non-Detectable Quantities

Sampling and analytical methods for dioxins have a range of detection and quantification limits for individual congeners. Some congeners may be detected and quantified while others remain undetected. Some congener concentrations are qualified as “estimates”.

For calculating dioxin loads, we treated estimated concentrations as if they were not qualified (i.e., not flagged as estimates). Dealing with congeners that were not detected is more complex. If one or several 2,3,7,8-substituted congeners are not detected in a sample, the total calculated TEQ may be ambiguous. Researchers approach this problem in different ways:

- If undetected congener concentrations are assumed to be zero, the resulting TEQ is the *minimum* TEQ associated with that sample analysis.
- If congener concentrations are assumed to equal the method detection limit, the resulting TEQ is the *maximum* TEQ associated with that sample analysis.
- If undetected congener concentrations are assumed to equal one half the detection limits, the resulting TEQ is an *average* of the minimum and maximum TEQ for that sample analysis.

This assessment calculates TEQs in each of the three ways described above. The *minimum* TEQ is used to interpret and report results. Appendix C provides a summary of the three calculated loads.

Appendix C

Dioxin Loads Calculated by Three Alternative Methods for Handling Quantities Less than the Detection Limit

Table C-1. Dioxin loads, not including self-reported data associated with National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permits. Loads in mg TEQ/day.

| Facility Name | Process | Material Sampled | Start Date | End Date | Calculated Load (<DL=0) | Calculated Load (<DL=1/2DL) | Calculated Load (<DL=DL) |
|--|---|---------------------|------------|-----------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|
| Ash Grove Cement, Seattle | Cement Kiln | Air Emission | 15-Aug-96 | | 0 | 0.016 | 0.031 |
| Boise Cascade Pulp and Paper, Wallula | Treatment of Process Wastewater | Wastewater, Treated | 07-Apr-92 | 08-Apr-92 | 0.32 | 1.31 | 2.3 |
| Cameron-Yakima, Yakima | Activated Carbon Regeneration (Multiple Hearth) | Air Emission | 01-Dec-94 | 21-Dec-94 | 4.68 | 4.68 | 4.68 |
| Cameron-Yakima, Yakima | Activated Carbon Regeneration (Rotary Kiln) | Air Emission | 06-Dec-94 | 19-Dec-94 | 32.7 | 32.7 | 32.7 |
| Conrad Industries, Chehalis | Pyrolysis Unit | Air Emission | 24-Feb-94 | 24-Feb-94 | 0.000405 | 0.000524 | 0.000643 |
| Daishowa America Mill, Port Angeles | Hog Fuel Boiler | Ash, Mixed | 22-May-96 | 22-May-96 | 0.0116 | 0.059 | 0.11 |
| Fort James Pulp and Paper, Camas | Hog Fuel Boiler | Ash, Fly | 20-Oct-97 | 20-Oct-97 | 0.544 | 0.549 | 0.555 |
| Fort Lewis Incinerator | Incinerator | Air Emission | 15-Jul-97 | 24-Jul-97 | 0.0028 | 0.018 | 0.034 |
| Fort Lewis Incinerator | Incinerator | Ash, Bottom | 01-May-96 | 01-Sep-96 | 0 | 1.73 | 3.47 |
| Fort Lewis Incinerator | Incinerator | Ash, Fly | 01-May-96 | 01-Sep-96 | 0.76 | 0.76 | 0.76 |
| Georgia-Pacific Pulp and Paper, Bellingham | Treatment of Process Wastewater | Wastewater, Treated | 14-Apr-93 | 15-Apr-93 | 0 | 1.81 | 3.61 |
| Holman Inc., Seattle | Cement Kiln | Cement Kiln | 15-May-96 | 15-May-96 | 0.0038 | 0.078 | 0.15 |
| Holman Inc., Seattle | Cement Kiln | Air Emission | 26-Jul-95 | | 2.88 | 2.96 | 3.05 |
| Holman Inc., Seattle | Cement Kiln | Air Emission | 27-Jul-95 | | 1.09 | 1.16 | 1.23 |
| Holman Inc., Seattle | Cement Kiln | Air Emission | 08-Jul-96 | | 1.23 | 1.28 | 1.33 |
| Holman Inc., Seattle | Cement Kiln | Air Emission | 09-Jul-96 | 10-Jul-96 | 1 | 1.08 | 1.16 |
| Holman Inc., Seattle | Cement Kiln | Air Emission | 11-Jul-96 | | 0.64 | 0.7 | 0.76 |
| Holman Inc., Seattle | Cement Kiln | Air Emission | 26-May-94 | 27-May-94 | 0.71 | 0.76 | 0.81 |
| Holman Inc., Seattle | Cement Kiln | Cement Kiln | 20-Oct-97 | 20-Oct-97 | 0.0948 | 0.191 | 0.287 |
| Holman Inc., Seattle | Cement Kiln | Cement Kiln | 21-Oct-97 | 21-Oct-97 | 0.0674 | 0.137 | 0.207 |
| Kaiser Aluminum Rolling Mill, Trentwood | Aluminum Remelting | Air Emission | 18-Jun-96 | 19-Jun-97 | 0.0314 | 0.0365 | 0.0416 |
| Kalama Chemical, Kalama | Industrial Boiler/Waste Burner | Air Emission | 25-Jun-96 | 30-Jun-96 | 0.00029 | 0.0022 | 0.004 |
| Longview Fiber, Longview | Treatment of Process Wastewater | Wastewater, Treated | 02-Nov-93 | 03-Nov-93 | 0.02 | 1.69 | 3.35 |
| Northwest Hospital, Seattle | Incinerator | Air Emission | 18-Jan-95 | 20-Jan-95 | 0.15 | 0.15 | 0.15 |
| Olivine Municipal Incinerator, Bellingham | Incinerator | Air Emission | 17-Mar-95 | 18-Mar-95 | 0.41 | 0.47 | 0.54 |
| Olivine Municipal Incinerator, Bellingham | Incinerator | Air Emission | 27-Oct-94 | 28-Oct-94 | 7.21 | 7.21 | 7.21 |
| Rayonier, Inc., Port Angeles | Hog Fuel Boiler | Ash, Fly | 13-Sep-93 | | 68.9 | Not Available | Not Available |
| Rayonier, Inc., Port Angeles | Hog Fuel Boiler | Ash, Fly | 19-Feb-97 | 19-Feb-97 | 6.27 | 6.31 | 6.35 |
| Rayonier, Inc., Port Angeles | Hog Fuel Boiler | Air Emission | 26-Apr-95 | 26-Apr-95 | 0.168 | 0.186 | 0.205 |
| Rayonier, Inc., Port Angeles | Hog Fuel Boiler | Ash, Fly | 01-Dec-89 | | 12.5 | 12.5 | 12.5 |
| Rayonier, Inc., Port Angeles | Hog Fuel Boiler | Ash, Fly | 02-Dec-89 | | 1.23 | 1.23 | 1.23 |
| Rayonier, Inc., Port Angeles | Treatment of Process Wastewater | Wastewater, Treated | 01-Dec-89 | | 12.3 | Not Available | Not Available |
| Rayonier, Inc., Port Angeles | Treatment of Process Wastewater | Wastewater, Treated | 01-Feb-90 | | 15.3 | Not Available | Not Available |
| Rayonier, Inc., Port Angeles | Treatment of Process Wastewater | Wastewater, Treated | 01-Jun-90 | | 0.19 | Not Available | Not Available |
| Rayonier, Inc., Port Angeles | Treatment of Process Wastewater | Wastewater, Treated | 01-Dec-91 | | 51.9 | Not Available | Not Available |
| Rayonier, Inc., Port Angeles | Treatment of Process Wastewater | Wastewater, Treated | 01-Apr-92 | | 27.1 | Not Available | Not Available |
| Rayonier, Inc., Port Angeles | Treatment of Process Wastewater | Wastewater, Treated | 01-Jun-92 | | 20.7 | Not Available | Not Available |
| Rayonier, Inc., Port Angeles | Treatment of Process Wastewater | Wastewater, Treated | 01-Sep-92 | | 10 | Not Available | Not Available |

| Facility Name | Process | Material Sampled | Start Date | End Date | Calculated Load (<DL=0) | Calculated Load (<DL=1/2DL) | Calculated Load (<DL=DL) |
|--|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------|-----------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|
| Rayonier, Inc., Port Angeles | Treatment of Process Wastewater | Wastewater, Treated | 01-Dec-92 | | 3.5 | Not Available | Not Available |
| Rayonier, Inc., Port Angeles | Treatment of Process Wastewater | Wastewater, Treated | 01-Feb-94 | | 0 | Not Available | Not Available |
| Recomp (Thermal Reduction Company), | Incinerator | Air Emission | 14-Dec-88 | 14-Dec-88 | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| Recomp (Thermal Reduction Company), | Incinerator | Ash, Mixed | 01-Jan-96 | 31-Dec-96 | 2.17 | 2.32 | 2.48 |
| | | | | | | | |
| Recomp (Thermal Reduction Company), | Incinerator | Ash, Mixed | 01-Jan-94 | 31-Dec-94 | 0.617 | 0.683 | 0.75 |
| Recomp (Thermal Reduction Company), | Incinerator | Ash, Mixed | 01-Jan-95 | 31-Dec-95 | 0.622 | 0.672 | 0.722 |
| Renton Wastewater Treatment Plant, Renton | Treatment of Municipal Wastewater | Sludge from Wasterwater Treatment | 01-Jan-89 | | 0.262 | 1.18 | 2.1 |
| Renton Wastewater Treatment Plant, Renton | Treatment of Municipal Wastewater | Sludge from Wasterwater Treatment | 08-Sep-97 | 08-Sep-97 | 0.432 | Not Available | Not Available |
| Simpson Tacoma Kraft Company | Treatment of Process Wastewater | Wastewater, Treated | 12-Feb-91 | 13-Feb-91 | 13.73 | 13.75 | 13.77 |
| Spokane Municipal Incinerator, Spokane | Incinerator | Ash, Mixed | 13-Dec-95 | | 38.0 | 38.0 | 38.0 |
| Spokane Municipal Incinerator, Spokane | Incinerator | Air Emission | 22-Sep-92 | 25-Sep-92 | 0.00398 | 0.0234 | 0.0428 |
| Spokane Municipal Incinerator, Spokane | Incinerator | Air Emission | 30-Sep-93 | | 0.0084 | 0.07 | 0.13 |
| Spokane Municipal Incinerator, Spokane | Incinerator | Air Emission | 09-Jun-94 | 10-Jun-94 | 0.24 | 0.27 | 0.3 |
| Spokane Municipal Incinerator, Spokane | Incinerator | Air Emission | 11-May-95 | 12-May-95 | 0.0039 | 0.16 | 0.31 |
| Spokane Municipal Incinerator, Spokane | Incinerator | Air Emission | 01-Nov-91 | 01-Nov-91 | 0.28 | 0.29 | 0.3 |
| Spokane Municipal Incinerator, Spokane | Incinerator | Ash, Bottom | 27-Jan-92 | 02-Feb-92 | 0.02 | Not Available | Not Available |
| Spokane Municipal Incinerator, Spokane | Incinerator | Ash, Fly | 27-Jan-92 | 02-Feb-92 | 24.3 | Not Available | Not Available |
| Spokane Municipal Incinerator, Spokane | Incinerator | Ash, Fly | 23-Sep-97 | 02-Oct-97 | 0.984 | 0.993 | 1.003 |
| Tacoma City Light, Steam Plant #2, Tacoma | Steam Plant/Incinerator | Air Emission | 02-Aug-91 | 02-Aug-91 | 0.00293 | 0.01 | 0.017 |
| Tacoma City Light, Steam Plant #2, Tacoma | Steam Plant/Incinerator | Air Emission | 11-Dec-91 | 12-Dec-91 | 0.0318 | 0.068 | 0.103 |
| Tacoma City Light, Steam Plant #2, Tacoma | Steam Plant/Incinerator | Air Emission | 20-Mar-92 | 23-Mar-92 | 0.0267 | 0.047 | 0.067 |
| Tacoma City Light, Steam Plant #2, Tacoma | Steam Plant/Incinerator | Air Emission | 08-Oct-90 | 09-Oct-90 | 0.252 | 0.26 | 0.269 |
| Veteran's Administration Medical Center, Seattle | Incinerator | Air Emission | 23-Jan-95 | 25-Jan-95 | 0.54 | 0.54 | 0.54 |
| Weyerhaeuser Paper Co., Cosmopolis | Other | Wastewater, Other | 29-May-91 | 30-May-91 | 0 | 0.049 | 0.098 |
| Weyerhaeuser Paper Co., Cosmopolis | Treatment of Process Wastewater | Wastewater, Treated | 29-May-91 | 30-May-91 | 0 | 0.34 | 0.67 |
| Weyerhaeuser Pulp and Paper, Longview | Hog Fuel Boiler | Air Emission | 25-Jul-90 | 25-Jul-90 | 0.11 | 0.12 | 0.13 |

Table C-2. Dioxin loads from bleached pulp and paper mill treated wastewater.
(2,3,7,8-TCDD and 2,3,7,8-TCDF only).

Source: self-reported data associated with National Pollutant
Discharge Elimination (NPDES) permits
(DL = Detection Limit)

| Date | TEQ Load (mg/day) | | |
|--|----------------------|----------------|-------|
| | 0 | <DL= 1/2 DL | DL |
| Fort James, Camas - "ASB Effluent" | | | |
| 2/23/94 | 23.50 | 23.50 | 23.50 |
| 2/18/94 | 0.00 | 0.37 | 0.74 |
| 2/23/94 | 23.50 | 23.50 | 23.50 |
| 2/28/94 | 3.09 | 3.09 | 3.09 |
| 5/4/94 | 0.00 | 0.44 | 0.88 |
| 7/27/94 | 2.68 | 2.68 | 2.68 |
| 9/9/94 | 0.00 | 0.67 | 1.33 |
| 10/12/94 | 0.00 | 0.35 | 0.70 |
| 1/30/95 | 0.00 | 0.33 | 0.66 |
| 5/1/95 | 0.00 | 0.19 | 0.37 |
| 1/31/96 | 0.08 | 0.46 | 0.84 |
| 4/17/96 | 0.09 | 0.51 | 0.94 |
| 7/31/96 | 0.07 | 0.41 | 0.75 |
| 10/23/96 | 0.10 | 0.58 | 1.06 |
| 12/11/96 | 0.06 | 0.37 | 0.68 |
| 2/19/97 | 0.00 | 0.27 | 0.54 |
| 4/23/97 | 0.00 | 0.18 | 0.35 |
| Georgia Pacific - "Effluent" | | | |
| 11/25/91 | 0.6 | 1.2 | 1.9 |
| 2/19/92 | 1.1 | 1.7 | 2.3 |
| 5/20/92 | 1.5 | 2.9 | 4.2 |
| 8/19/92 | 0.7 | 1.3 | 2.0 |
| 11/18/92 | 0.8 | 1.4 | 2.1 |
| 2/17/93 | 1.0 | 1.6 | 2.2 |
| 5/19/93 | 0.8 | 1.5 | 2.1 |
| 8/25/93 | 1.2 | 1.9 | 2.7 |
| 11/18/93 | 1.7 | 2.3 | 2.8 |
| 2/23/94 | 1.1 | 1.7 | 2.4 |
| 5/19/94 | 1.4 | 2.1 | 2.9 |
| 8/25/94 | 2.2 | 2.9 | 3.5 |
| 11/16/94 | 1.8 | 2.6 | 3.4 |
| 2/22/95 | 2.7 | 3.2 | 3.7 |
| 5/24/95 | 2.2 | 2.8 | 3.4 |
| 8/23/95 | 2.3 | 3.1 | 3.8 |
| 11/15/95 | 4.4 | 5.1 | 5.9 |
| 1/17/96 | 2.4 | 3.2 | 3.9 |
| 4/17/96 | 1.9 | 1.9 | 1.9 |
| 7/17/96 | 1.4 | 2.0 | 2.6 |
| 10/23/96 | 1.3 | 2.0 | 2.8 |
| 1/15/97 | 1.7 | 2.3 | 2.9 |
| 4/16/97 | 0.9 | 1.6 | 2.3 |
| 7/16/97 | 4.2 | 4.9 | 5.7 |
| Boise Cascade, Wallula - Final Mill Effluent | | | |
| 2/20/92 | 1.79 | 1.79 | 1.79 |

| | | | |
|---------|------|------|------|
| 2/20/92 | 2.04 | 2.04 | 2.04 |
| 2/27/92 | 2.88 | 2.88 | 2.88 |
| 4/15/92 | 0.22 | 0.45 | 0.67 |
| 8/4/92 | 2.04 | 2.04 | 2.04 |
| 12/9/92 | 0.40 | 0.91 | 1.41 |
| 2/24/93 | 0.36 | 0.54 | 0.73 |

Boise Cascade, Wallula - Secondary and Final Effluent

note: secondary effluent is major portion of final effluent (75-80%)

| | | | |
|----------|------|------|------|
| 9/16/91 | 3.78 | 3.78 | 3.78 |
| 6/10/93 | 0.49 | 0.70 | 0.92 |
| 9/2/93 | 0.21 | 0.33 | 0.45 |
| 12/2/93 | 0.20 | 0.52 | 0.83 |
| 3/19/94 | 0.11 | 0.20 | 0.30 |
| 6/1/94 | 0.15 | 0.48 | 0.80 |
| 8/11/94 | 0.11 | 0.23 | 0.35 |
| 12/8/94 | 0.00 | 0.18 | 0.36 |
| 3/12/95 | 0.16 | 0.50 | 0.84 |
| 6/8/95 | 0.15 | 0.40 | 0.65 |
| 9/10/95 | 0.38 | 0.49 | 0.60 |
| 3/13/96 | 1.10 | 1.10 | 1.10 |
| 11/18/95 | 1.20 | 1.20 | 1.20 |
| 4/6/96 | 0.49 | 0.74 | 0.98 |
| 7/20/96 | 0.16 | 0.21 | 0.26 |
| 10/19/96 | 0.61 | 0.61 | 0.61 |
| 1/31/97 | 0.19 | 0.36 | 0.52 |
| 5/2/97 | 0.23 | 0.34 | 0.46 |

Longview Fibre, Longview - "Final Mill Effluent"

| | | | |
|----------|------|------|------|
| 7/26/91 | 2.84 | 2.84 | 2.84 |
| 7/26/91 | 3.59 | 3.59 | 3.59 |
| 10/14/91 | 2.46 | 2.46 | 2.46 |
| 2/17/92 | 0.30 | 1.46 | 2.62 |
| 5/13/92 | 0.89 | 1.42 | 1.94 |
| 8/14/92 | 0.26 | 0.70 | 1.13 |
| 12/16/92 | 0.00 | 0.40 | 0.81 |
| 3/26/93 | 0.14 | 0.43 | 0.72 |
| 7/27/93 | 0.00 | 0.20 | 0.39 |
| 11/16/93 | 0.00 | 0.42 | 0.84 |
| 12/19/94 | 0.00 | 0.52 | 1.04 |
| 11/21/94 | 0.00 | 0.22 | 0.44 |
| 2/27/95 | 0.14 | 0.44 | 0.74 |
| 5/3/95 | 0.00 | 0.21 | 0.42 |

Kimberly Clark - Sum of 3 outfalls

| | | | |
|----------|------|------|------|
| 9/5/91 | 0.15 | 0.41 | 0.68 |
| 12/9/91 | 0.00 | 0.63 | 1.26 |
| 6/26/92 | 0.11 | 0.31 | 0.50 |
| 9/12/92 | 0.00 | 0.20 | 0.39 |
| 12/19/92 | 0.03 | 0.20 | 0.36 |
| 9/21/93 | 0.00 | 0.21 | 0.41 |
| 1/17/94 | 0.03 | 0.22 | 0.42 |
| 2/21/95 | 0.04 | 0.31 | 0.58 |
| 5/21/96 | 3.34 | 3.44 | 3.53 |
| 6/20/96 | 0.65 | 0.71 | 0.78 |
| 7/23/96 | 0.09 | 0.36 | 0.63 |

Weyerhaeuser, Cosmopolis - "Pond D Effluent"

| | | | |
|---------|------|------|------|
| 3/22/93 | 0.13 | 0.18 | 0.22 |
| 5/3/93 | 0.06 | 0.20 | 0.33 |

| | | | |
|----------|------|------|------|
| 10/12/93 | 0.21 | 0.26 | 0.31 |
| 12/21/94 | 0.15 | 0.20 | 0.24 |
| 3/23/94 | 0.15 | 0.24 | 0.33 |
| 5/24/94 | 0.13 | 0.22 | 0.30 |
| 8/23/94 | 0.24 | 0.53 | 0.82 |
| 1/24/95 | 0.08 | 0.12 | 0.17 |
| 5/30/95 | 0.31 | 0.40 | 0.49 |
| 12/12/95 | 0.27 | 0.32 | 0.37 |
| 2/21/96 | 0.36 | 0.41 | 0.45 |
| 6/27/96 | 0.41 | 0.54 | 0.68 |
| 9/24/96 | 0.31 | 0.42 | 0.54 |
| 1/7/97 | 0.14 | 0.19 | 0.24 |

Weyerhaeuser, Longview - "Secondary effluent"

| | | | |
|----------|--------|------|------|
| 12/12/91 | 0.32 | 0.66 | 1.00 |
| 3/5/92 | 0.00 | 0.37 | 0.74 |
| 5/19/92 | 0.30 | 0.72 | 1.15 |
| 9/8/92 | 0.00 | 0.13 | 0.25 |
| 11/30/92 | 0.00 | 0.36 | 0.73 |
| 1/25/93 | 0.35 | 0.48 | 0.60 |
| 3/14/93 | 0.00 | 0.13 | 0.26 |
| 5/14/93 | 0.05 | 0.18 | 0.30 |
| 8/24/93 | 0.10 | 0.23 | 0.36 |
| 10/19/93 | 0.17 | 0.29 | 0.41 |
| 6/7/94 | 0.12 | 0.70 | 1.28 |
| 8/19/94 | 0.15 | 0.52 | 0.89 |
| 11/26/94 | 0.22 | 0.71 | 1.21 |
| 2/15/95 | 0.30 | 0.91 | 1.53 |
| 2/15/95 | 0.32 | 0.81 | 1.30 |
| 2/15/95 | 0.31 | 0.86 | 1.41 |
| 3/14/95 | 0.0369 | 0.28 | 0.53 |
| 3/14/95 | 0.00 | 0.54 | 1.08 |
| 3/14/95 | 0.02 | 0.41 | 0.81 |
| 4/19/95 | 0.26 | 0.52 | 0.78 |
| 4/19/95 | 0.24 | 0.63 | 1.02 |
| 4/19/95 | 0.25 | 0.57 | 0.90 |
| 9/30/95 | 0.14 | 0.50 | 0.86 |
| 9/30/95 | 0.09 | 0.45 | 0.80 |
| 9/30/95 | 0.12 | 0.47 | 0.83 |
| 3/6/96 | 0.03 | 0.20 | 0.37 |
| 3/6/96 | 0.05 | 0.22 | 0.39 |
| 3/6/96 | 0.04 | 0.21 | 0.38 |
| 4/24/96 | 0.10 | 0.19 | 0.28 |
| 4/24/96 | 0.10 | 0.19 | 0.28 |
| 4/24/96 | 0.10 | 0.19 | 0.28 |
| 8/13/96 | 0.13 | 0.49 | 0.85 |
| 8/13/96 | 0.13 | 0.31 | 0.49 |
| 8/13/96 | 0.13 | 0.40 | 0.67 |
| 11/13/96 | 0.07 | 0.24 | 0.42 |
| 11/13/96 | 0.10 | 0.28 | 0.45 |
| 11/13/96 | 0.09 | 0.26 | 0.44 |

Rayoneir, Port Angeles - "Final effluent"

| | | | |
|---------|------|------|------|
| 1/25/93 | 0.00 | 0.34 | 0.69 |
| 1/26/93 | 0.19 | 0.91 | 1.63 |
| 1/27/93 | 0.00 | 0.65 | 1.29 |
| 1/28/93 | 0.00 | 0.36 | 0.71 |

| | | | |
|----------|------|------|------|
| 1/29/93 | 0.00 | 0.53 | 1.05 |
| 6/4/93 | 0.23 | 0.96 | 1.69 |
| 7/20/93 | 1.05 | 1.05 | 1.05 |
| 10/12/93 | 0.21 | 0.62 | 1.02 |
| 3/8/94 | 0.00 | 0.56 | 1.12 |
| 5/30/94 | 0.00 | 0.34 | 0.67 |
| 8/31/94 | 0.00 | 0.19 | 0.38 |
| 12/12/94 | 0.14 | 0.40 | 0.67 |
| 3/21/95 | 0.00 | 0.05 | 0.10 |
| 5/10/95 | 0.00 | 0.33 | 0.66 |
| 9/6/95 | 0.00 | 0.29 | 0.58 |
| 12/20/95 | 0.00 | 0.12 | 0.25 |
| 3/6/96 | 0.00 | 0.17 | 0.34 |
| 5/1/96 | 0.00 | 0.18 | 0.37 |
| 8/6/96 | 0.09 | 0.17 | 0.25 |
| 11/21/96 | 0.12 | 0.41 | 0.70 |

Simpson Tacoma Kraft, Tacoma - "Secondary Effluent"

| | | | |
|----------|------|------|------|
| 11/18/91 | 0.00 | 0.45 | 0.90 |
| 3/30/92 | 0.00 | 0.11 | 0.23 |
| 7/31/92 | 0.00 | 0.21 | 0.43 |
| 11/30/92 | 0.00 | 0.12 | 0.24 |
| 6/15/93 | 0.00 | 0.17 | 0.34 |
| 3/30/94 | 0.00 | 0.12 | 0.25 |
| 6/27/94 | 0.00 | 0.40 | 0.80 |
| 9/20/94 | 0.00 | 0.11 | 0.21 |
| 12/6/94 | 0.00 | 0.22 | 0.44 |
| 3/30/95 | 0.00 | 0.13 | 0.26 |
| 6/20/95 | 0.00 | 0.06 | 0.12 |
| 10/2/95 | 0.00 | 0.06 | 0.13 |
| 12/11/95 | 0.00 | 0.48 | 0.97 |
| 3/28/96 | 0.00 | 0.06 | 0.13 |
| 9/27/96 | 0.00 | 0.20 | 0.40 |
| 2/6/97 | 0.00 | 0.17 | 0.34 |

Table C-3. Dioxin loads from bleached pulp and paper mill wastewater sludge.

| Date | 2,3,7,8-TCDD TEF = 1 | | | 2,3,7,8-TCDF TEF = 0.1 | | | 2,3,7,8-TCDD/TCDF | | |
|---|-------------------------|-----------|-------|---------------------------|-----------|-------|-------------------|--------------|--------------|
| | Value (ppt) | TEQ (ppt) | <DL = | Value (ppt) | TEQ (ppt) | <DL = | Total TEQ (ppt) | | |
| | 0 | DL | DL | 0 | DL | DL | 0 | 1/2 DL | DL |
| Boise Cascade, Wallula - "Clarifer Sludge" | | | | | | | | | |
| 9/16/91 | 9.1 | 9.1 | 9.1 | 17 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 10.8 | 10.8 | |
| 3/31/92 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 11 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 2.4 | 2.4 | |
| 4/15/92 | 0.45 | 0.45 | 0.45 | 1.6 | 0.16 | 0.16 | 0.61 | 0.61 | |
| 8/4/92 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 3.7 | 0.37 | 0.37 | 1.67 | 1.67 | |
| 12/11/92 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 2.3 | 0.23 | 0.23 | 1.33 | 1.33 | |
| 2/24/93 | 0.28 U | 0 | 0.28 | 1.9 | 0.19 | 0.19 | 0.19 | 0.47 | |
| 6/10/93 | 0.31 U | 0 | 0.31 | 1.7 | 0.17 | 0.17 | 0.17 | 0.48 | |
| 9/2/93 | 1.6 | 1.6 | 1.6 | 3.8 | 0.38 | 0.38 | 1.98 | 1.98 | |
| 12/2/93 | 1 U | 0 | 1 | 2.4 | 0.24 | 0.24 | 0.24 | 1.24 | |
| 3/19/94 | 1 U | 0 | 1 | 3.3 | 0.33 | 0.33 | 0.33 | 1.33 | |
| 8/11/94 | 0.37 U | 0 | 0.37 | 1.6 | 0.16 | 0.16 | 0.16 | 0.53 | |
| 12/8/94 | 1 U | 0 | 1 | 1.7 | 0.17 | 0.17 | 0.17 | 1.17 | |
| 3/12/95 | 1 U | 0 | 1 | 2.7 | 0.27 | 0.27 | 0.27 | 1.27 | |
| 6/8/95 | 0.55 U | 0 | 0.55 | 2.4 | 0.24 | 0.24 | 0.24 | 0.79 | |
| 9/10/95 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 20 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 3 | |
| 3/13/96 | 0.47 | 0.47 | 0.47 | 2.5 | 0.25 | 0.25 | 0.72 | 0.72 | |
| 11/18/95 | 14 | 14 | 14 | 222 | 22.2 | 22.2 | 36.2 | 36.2 | |
| 4/6/96 | 0.65 U | 0 | 0.65 | 2.8 | 0.28 | 0.28 | 0.28 | 0.93 | |
| 7/20/96 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 1.7 | 0.17 | 0.17 | 0.77 | 0.77 | |
| 10/22/96 | 0.28 | 0.28 | 0.28 | 0.91 | 0.091 | 0.091 | 0.371 | 0.371 | |
| 1/31/97 | 0.33 U | 0 | 0.33 | 0.77 | 0.077 | 0.077 | 0.077 | 0.407 | |
| Mean TEQ (ppt) | | | | | | | 2.95 | 3.26 | |
| Production rate (tons/year dry weight) | | | | | | | 11,000 | 11,000 | |
| TEQ load (mg/day) | | | | | | | 0.081 | 0.085 | 0.089 |

| Date | 2,3,7,8-TCDD TEF = 1 | | | 2,3,7,8-TCDF TEF = 0.1 | | | 2,3,7,8-TCDD/TCDF | | |
|--|-------------------------|-----------|-------|---------------------------|-----------|-------|-------------------|-------------|-------------|
| | Value (ppt) | TEQ (ppt) | <DL = | Value (ppt) | TEQ (ppt) | <DL = | Total TEQ (ppt) | | |
| | 0 | DL | DL | 0 | DL | DL | 0 | 1/2 DL | DL |
| Weyerhaeuser, Longview - "Combined Effluent Sludge" | | | | | | | | | |
| 12/12/91 | 50 | 50 | 50 | 92 | 9.2 | 9.2 | 59.2 | 59.2 | |
| 3/5/92 | 22 U | 0 | 22 | 86 | 8.6 | 8.6 | 8.6 | 30.6 | |
| 5/19/92 | 5.3 U | 0 | 5.3 | 140 | 14 | 14 | 14 | 19.3 | |
| 9/8/92 | 2.7 U | 0 | 2.7 | 24.1 | 2.41 | 2.41 | 2.41 | 5.11 | |
| 11/30/92 | 2.4 U | 0 | 2.4 | 38 | 3.8 | 3.8 | 3.8 | 6.2 | |
| 3/14/93 | 8.74 | 8.74 | 8.74 | 64.3 | 6.43 | 6.43 | 15.17 | 15.17 | |
| 5/14/93 | 0.6 U | 0 | 0.6 | 45.2 | 4.52 | 4.52 | 4.52 | 5.12 | |
| 8/24/93 | 0.67 U | 0 | 0.67 | 43.4 | 4.34 | 4.34 | 4.34 | 5.01 | |
| 10/19/93 | 0.49 U | 0 | 0.49 | 27.3 | 2.73 | 2.73 | 2.73 | 3.22 | |
| 6/7/94 | 5.1 U | 0 | 5.1 | 3.5 U | 0 | 0.35 | 0 | 5.45 | |
| 8/19/94 | 4.83 U | 0 | 4.83 | 52 | 5.2 | 5.2 | 5.2 | 10.03 | |
| 11/26/94 | 22.4 | 22.4 | 22.4 | 54.6 | 5.46 | 5.46 | 27.86 | 27.86 | |
| 2/15/95 | 8 U | 0 | 8 | 65.7 | 6.57 | 6.57 | 6.57 | 14.57 | |
| 3/14/95 | 23.4 | 23.4 | 23.4 | 55.3 | 5.53 | 5.53 | 28.93 | 28.93 | |
| 4/19/95 | 9.32 | 9.32 | 9.32 | 42.7 | 4.27 | 4.27 | 13.59 | 13.59 | |
| 9/30/95 | 4.8 U | 0 | 4.8 | 114 | 11.4 | 11.4 | 11.4 | 16.2 | |
| 3/6/96 | 3.9 U | 0 | 3.9 | 55.5 | 5.55 | 5.55 | 5.55 | 9.45 | |
| 4/24/96 | 2 U | 0 | 2 | 47.4 | 4.74 | 4.74 | 4.74 | 6.74 | |
| 8/13/96 | 3 U | 0 | 3 | 102 | 10.2 | 10.2 | 10.2 | 13.2 | |
| 11/13/96 | 4.37 U | 0 | 4.37 | 53.4 | 5.34 | 5.34 | 5.34 | 9.71 | |
| Mean TEQ (ppt) | | | | | | | 11.71 | 15.23 | |
| Production Rate (Oven-dried tons/day) | | | | | | | 165 | 165 | |
| TEQ load (mg/day) | | | | | | | 1.76 | 2.02 | 2.28 |

Citation for mass rate:

Weyerhaeuser Co., 1991. Supplemental Environmental checklist for the Weyerhaeuser Longview

| Date | 2,3,7,8-TCDD TEF = 1 | | 2,3,7,8-TCDF TEF = 0.1 | | 2,3,7,8-TCDD/TCDF | | |
|------|-------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|---|--|--|
| | Value (ppt) | TEQ (ppt) <DL = 0 DL | Value (ppt) | TEQ (ppt) <DL = 0 DL | Total TEQ (ppt) <DL = 0 1/2 DL DL | | |

Kraft Mill Modernization Project, November 1991. The mass rate number is a predicted estimate.

Table C-3. Dioxin loads from bleached pulp and paper mill wastewater sludge.

| Date | 2,3,7,8-TCDD TEF = 1 | | | 2,3,7,8-TCDF TEF = 0.1 | | | 2,3,7,8-TCDD/TCDF | | |
|---|-------------------------|--------------------|------|---------------------------|--------------------|-------|--------------------------|--------|--------|
| | Value (ppt) | TEQ (ppt) <DL = | | Value (ppt) | TEQ (ppt) <DL = | | Total TEQ (ppt) <DL = | | |
| | | 0 | DL | | 0 | DL | 0 | 1/2 DL | DL |
| Boise Cascade, Wallula - "Clarifer Sludge" | | | | | | | | | |
| 9/16/91 | 9.1 | 9.1 | 9.1 | 17 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 10.8 | | 10.8 |
| 3/31/92 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 11 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 2.4 | | 2.4 |
| 4/15/92 | 0.45 | 0.45 | 0.45 | 1.6 | 0.16 | 0.16 | 0.61 | | 0.61 |
| 8/4/92 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 3.7 | 0.37 | 0.37 | 1.67 | | 1.67 |
| 12/11/92 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 2.3 | 0.23 | 0.23 | 1.33 | | 1.33 |
| 2/24/93 | 0.28 U | 0 | 0.28 | 1.9 | 0.19 | 0.19 | 0.19 | | 0.47 |
| 6/10/93 | 0.31 U | 0 | 0.31 | 1.7 | 0.17 | 0.17 | 0.17 | | 0.48 |
| 9/2/93 | 1.6 | 1.6 | 1.6 | 3.8 | 0.38 | 0.38 | 1.98 | | 1.98 |
| 12/2/93 | 1 U | 0 | 1 | 2.4 | 0.24 | 0.24 | 0.24 | | 1.24 |
| 3/19/94 | 1 U | 0 | 1 | 3.3 | 0.33 | 0.33 | 0.33 | | 1.33 |
| 8/11/94 | 0.37 U | 0 | 0.37 | 1.6 | 0.16 | 0.16 | 0.16 | | 0.53 |
| 12/8/94 | 1 U | 0 | 1 | 1.7 | 0.17 | 0.17 | 0.17 | | 1.17 |
| 3/12/95 | 1 U | 0 | 1 | 2.7 | 0.27 | 0.27 | 0.27 | | 1.27 |
| 6/8/95 | 0.55 U | 0 | 0.55 | 2.4 | 0.24 | 0.24 | 0.24 | | 0.79 |
| 9/10/95 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 20 | 2 | 2 | 3 | | 3 |
| 3/13/96 | 0.47 | 0.47 | 0.47 | 2.5 | 0.25 | 0.25 | 0.72 | | 0.72 |
| 11/18/95 | 14 | 14 | 14 | 222 | 22.2 | 22.2 | 36.2 | | 36.2 |
| 4/6/96 | 0.65 U | 0 | 0.65 | 2.8 | 0.28 | 0.28 | 0.28 | | 0.93 |
| 7/20/96 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 1.7 | 0.17 | 0.17 | 0.77 | | 0.77 |
| 10/22/96 | 0.28 | 0.28 | 0.28 | 0.91 | 0.091 | 0.091 | 0.371 | | 0.371 |
| 1/31/97 | 0.33 U | 0 | 0.33 | 0.77 | 0.077 | 0.077 | 0.077 | | 0.407 |
| Mean TEQ (ppt) | | | | | | | 2.95 | | 3.26 |
| Production rate (tons/year dry weight) | | | | | | | 11,000 | | 11,000 |
| TEQ load (mg/day) | | | | | | | 0.081 | 0.085 | 0.089 |

| Date | 2,3,7,8-TCDD TEF = 1 | | | 2,3,7,8-TCDF TEF = 0.1 | | | 2,3,7,8-TCDD/TCDF | | |
|--|-------------------------|--------------------|----|---------------------------|--------------------|----|--------------------------|--------|------|
| | Value (ppt) | TEQ (ppt) <DL = | | Value (ppt) | TEQ (ppt) <DL = | | Total TEQ (ppt) <DL = | | |
| | | 0 | DL | | 0 | DL | 0 | 1/2 DL | DL |
| Weyerhaeuser, Longview - "Combined Effluent Sludge" | | | | | | | | | |
| 12/12/91 | 50 | 0 | 0 | 92 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | 0 |
| 3/5/92 | 22 U | 0 | 0 | 86 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | 0 |
| 5/19/92 | 5.3 U | 0 | 0 | 140 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | 0 |
| 9/8/92 | 2.7 U | 0 | 0 | 24.1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | 0 |
| 11/30/92 | 2.4 U | 0 | 0 | 38 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | 0 |
| 3/14/93 | 8.74 | 0 | 0 | 64.3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | 0 |
| 5/14/93 | 0.6 U | 0 | 0 | 45.2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | 0 |
| 8/24/93 | 0.67 U | 0 | 0 | 43.4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | 0 |
| 10/19/93 | 0.49 U | 0 | 0 | 27.3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | 0 |
| 6/7/94 | 5.1 U | 0 | 0 | 3.5 U | 0 | 0 | 0 | | 0 |
| 8/19/94 | 4.83 U | 0 | 0 | 52 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | 0 |
| 11/26/94 | 22.4 | 0 | 0 | 54.6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | 0 |
| 2/15/95 | 8 U | 0 | 0 | 65.7 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | 0 |
| 3/14/95 | 23.4 | 0 | 0 | 55.3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | 0 |
| 4/19/95 | 9.32 | 0 | 0 | 42.7 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | 0 |
| 9/30/95 | 4.8 U | 0 | 0 | 114 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | 0 |
| 3/6/96 | 3.9 U | 0 | 0 | 55.5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | 0 |
| 4/24/96 | 2 U | 0 | 0 | 47.4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | 0 |
| 8/13/96 | 3 U | 0 | 0 | 102 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | 0 |
| 11/13/96 | 4.37 U | 0 | 0 | 53.4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | 0 |
| Mean TEQ (ppt) | | | | | | | 3.20 | | 0.00 |
| Production Rate (Oven-dried tons/day) | | | | | | | 165 | | 165 |
| TEQ load (mg/day) | | | | | | | 0.48 | 0.24 | 0.00 |

Citation for mass rate:

Weyerhaeuser Co., 1991. Supplemental Environmental checklist for the Weyerhaeuser Longview Kraft Mill Modernization Project, November 1991. The mass rate number is a predicted estimate.

Appendix D

Dioxin TEQ Load Calculations

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