hazconnect CASE STUDY

Maryland Cuts 10 Months Off EPCRA Compliance

Challenges

- Large companies submitted forms that were hundreds of pages long.

- Forms sent to the state using Tier2 Submit disks received from facilities had import problems.

- One full year of reports was not reviewed.

- Back-year reports were stored in six rolling shelves.

- Inaccurate facility counts, chemical counts, and report results.

- Information was shared with First Responders only after the review and data entry were complete, making the information more stale for First Responders.

- A single Citizen Right-to-Know and Freedom of Information Act request processing took one week.

- Data shared with first responders were at best 6 months old and at worst 18 months old.

- Data stored on disks or on paper were difficult to retrieve.

- Reports did not provide first aid or other chemical profile information, requiring Responders to consult several sources.

Gains after Implementing Hazconnect

- **On average, 10 months have been reduced for report review and data sharing.**

- **The user-friendly features significantly reduce data entry and errors. The online system reduced the administrative workload of 3 data entry personnel annually.**

- **Administrators are up-to-date on compliance reviews.**

- **Approximately 500 double-reporting or under-reporting facilities were identified.**

- **Responding to Citizen Right-to-Know requests takes just an hour as opposed to one week.**

- **All data is shared with metropolitan Counties immediately. Hundreds of hours are saved by compliance administrators at each local government.**

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