

Assessment of Waste Left in Place (WLIP) Ordinances

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Greetings.

The Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) works to prevent exposures to hazardous chemicals. Exposure to hazardous chemicals can lead to adverse or negative health effects. People can sometimes come into contact with hazardous chemicals left behind when industries go out of business and abandon a property / facility. These abandoned properties or facilities are called “brownfields”.

A brownfield may be an abandoned, idled, or underused industrial, commercial, or residential property where reuse or redevelopment is complicated by real or perceived contamination.

Some municipalities have put into place ordinances to help prevent this situation from happening. ATSDR refers to these as “waste left in place” ordinances. Municipalities may call them Vacant Property Registration Ordinances with clauses for contamination or waste.

ATSDR is interested in learning more about “waste left in place” ordinances. ATSDR is conducting a short assessment to find out how these ordinances are being used to protect people from being exposed to hazardous chemicals. You are being recruited to participate in this assessment because you are an environmental health official in your community and may be familiar with such ordinances. This assessment is completely voluntary. No IP addresses will be collected by Survey Monkey so we will have no way of identifying your responses with your name. Your responses will only be viewed by the assessment team. All data will be shared in aggregate form.

This assessment should only take about 4 minutes of your time. The assessment will remain open until: TBD.

The assessment can be accessed at via the following link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CJ8JKGW>

Thank you,

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