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# Acronyms, Abbreviations, and Terms

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ACGIH	— American Conference of Government Industrial Hygienists	LOD	— limit(s) of detection
ACS	— American Chemical Society	LOQ	— limit(s) of quantitation
C	— control areas sampled by EPA monitoring study	MDL	— method detection limit(s)
CDC	— Centers for Disease Control, Public Health Service, U.S. Department of Commerce	NAS	— National Academy of Sciences
CERCLA	— Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980, 42 U.S.C. 9601 et seq., known colloquially as “Superfund”	NBS	— National Bureau of Standards, U.S. Department of Commerce
DHHS	— U.S. Department of Health and Human Services	NCI	— National Cancer Institute
EDA	— emergency declaration area	NTP	— National Toxicology Program
EDF	— Environmental Defense Fund	NYS/DEC	— New York State Department of Environmental Conservation
EPA	— U.S. Environmental Protection Agency	NYS/DOH	— New York State Department of Health
FEMA	— Federal Emergency Management Act of 1978, CFR Title 44, Part 2, and associated Agency	NYS/DOL	— New York State Department of Law
GAO	— General Accounting Office, U.S. Congress	OTA	— Office of Technology Assessment, U.S. Congress
gpm	— gallons per minute	ppb	— parts per billion, equal to micrograms per liter in water, micrograms per kilogram in solids or gases
IARC	— International Agency for Research on Cancer, U.N. World Health Organization	ppm	— parts per million
LCARA	— Love Canal Area Revitalization Agency	ppt	— parts per trillion
		RCRA	— Resource Conservation and Recovery Act of 1976, 42 U.S.C. 6901 et seq.
		TLV	— threshold limit value
		TSCA	— Toxic Substances Control Act of 1976, 15 U.S.C. 2601 et seq.
		µg/kg	— micrograms per kilogram, equal to ppb in solids or gases
		µg/l	— micrograms per liter, equal to ppb in water

## Terms

emergency declaration area (EDA): area sampled by EPA monitoring study, outside 49-acre area surrounding the canal landfill, divided by EPA into 10 subregions for sampling purposes.

environmental medium: one of five environmental components sampled by EPA, including water, soil, sediment, air, biota.

environmental submedium: 1 of 22 components of the five environmental media

indicator substances: substance which was known to have been disposed into canal landfill

Love Canal: 49-acre area including canal landfill sampled by EPA monitoring study

target substance: 1 of 50 substances monitored in EPA monitoring study