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Client Advisory – #05-19
U.S. Government (Partial) Shutdown
Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Impact

OVERVIEW:

Pursuant to our Advisory #01-19 (*NPFC Closure During US Government Shutdown*), this notification is being provided to all GMS compliance partners to pass the latest details regarding the impact of the U.S. government (partial) shutdown.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (EPA):

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is currently not working at its full capacity. As such, the EPA Central Data Exchange (CDX) Help Desk is not presently being staffed. Consequently, any issues, errors, or support needs related to EPA user accounts, Notice of Intent (NOI) filings, and/or VGP Annual Reporting will not be addressed until staffing has been reinstated.

Although the CDX Help Desk is closed, the automated CDX web platform is still fully operational. As such, users can continue to submit new Notices of Intent (NOI), file Notices of Termination (NOT), make revisions, and file VGP Annual Reports. However, if you are locked out of your account and/or experience difficulty filing on the CDX web platform, there is no one available to support you or answer questions until the government shutdown is resolved. The CDX Help Desk email account is currently returning the following message:

"We are unable to respond to email requests at this time because of an emergency ("shutdown") furlough due to a lapse of appropriations. We will respond as necessary upon the Agency's return to work."

While GMS is always committed to supporting your needs, please understand that we are limited in rendering assistance for CDX related issues due to the above reasons. We recommend that you are diligent using the correct username and password when using the CDX platform.

U.S. COAST GUARD:

The information provided in our Advisory #01-19 remains accurate and unchanged.

If you should have any questions or need of assistance, please do not hesitate to contact GMS via our general email account: info@chgms.com.

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