

Bernardino County, California to the National Priorities List to remediate groundwater contamination, and is concerned about the delay in accomplishing this goal. The Agency is directed to report to the Committee within 60 days of enactment regarding the status of the proposed listing, the reasons for delay, and the timeline for issuing a final decision. The Committee also continues to encourage the Agency to issue water replacement orders against the parties responsible for trichloroethylene and perchlorate contamination of the groundwater basin to remain in effect until clean drinking water supplies are fully restored to the city of Rialto, city of Colton, West Valley Water District and the Fontana Water Company.

Halaco Superfund Site.—The Committee is concerned that two dilapidated structures located on the current Halaco Engineering Company Co. Superfund site in Oxnard, California, pose a significant and immediate risk to public health and safety. The Committee understands that the property's owners have failed to comply with past orders to demolish or repair the buildings and notes that an EPA-retained structural engineer determined that the buildings are structurally unsafe and recommended that they be demolished as soon as possible. The Committee believes that the buildings must be demolished immediately and urges EPA to remove the buildings through an interim removal action while it completes required environmental analyses on the site.

LEAKING UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK TRUST FUND

Appropriations, 2009	\$112,577,000
Emergency supplementals, 2009	200,000,000
Budget estimate, 2010	113,101,000
House allowance	113,101,000
Committee recommendation	114,171,000

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The Superfund Amendments and Reauthorizations Act of 1986 [SARA] established the leaking underground storage tank [LUST] trust fund to conduct corrective actions for releases from leaking underground storage tanks containing petroleum and other hazardous substances. EPA implements the LUST program through State cooperative agreement grants which enable States to conduct corrective actions to protect human health and the environment, and through non-State entities including Indian tribes under section 8001 of RCRA. The trust fund is also used to enforce responsible parties to finance corrective actions and to recover expended funds used to clean up abandoned tanks.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

The Committee's recommendation provides \$114,171,000 for leaking underground storage tank program activities, an increase of \$1,070,000 above the budget request. The increase shall be used to restore leaking underground storage tank grants authorized by the Energy Policy Act of 2005 to the fiscal year 2009 enacted level.