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Contacts for Environmental Issues Affecting Residences Web Sites and Toll-Free and Other Numbers

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The toll-free and other numbers and addresses supplied below may help you in answering questions relating to the environment and households. Toll-free numbers change and some of those listed below may not be accurate, although they were at time of printing. For directory assistance for 800 numbers, dial 1-800-555-1212.

Listing of Educational Resources and Contacts

ASBESTOS:

American Lung Association of Nebraska

7101 Newport Avenue-Suite 303
Omaha, NE 68152
(800) 586-4872, (402) 572-3030
<http://www.lungusa.org>

Asbestos Program

Nebraska Department of Health & Human Services
301 Centennial Mall, South
Lincoln, NE 68509
(402) 471-0386
<http://www.hhs.state.ne.us>

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

(800) 223-0425
<http://www.epa.gov/iaq/pubs/asbestos.html>

ASTHMA/ALLERGIES:

American Academy of Allergy Asthma & Immunology

Physician Referral & Information Line

(800) 822-2762

<http://www.aaaai.org/default.stm>

American Lung Association

(800) LUNG-USA, (800) 586-4872

<http://www.lungusa.org>

American Lung Association of Nebraska

Community Health Plaza

7101 Newport Avenue, Suite 303

Omaha, NE 68152

(402) 572-3030

<http://www.lungnebraska.org>

Asthma & Allergy Foundation of America (AAFA)

1233 20th Street NW, Suite 402

Washington, D.C. 20036

Information line: 800-7ASTHMA

<http://www.aafa.org>

Healthy Indoor Air for Americas's Homes

(406) 994-3541

<http://www.montana.edu/wwwcxair>

National Allergy & Asthma Network/Mothers of Asthmatics

(800) 878-4403

<http://www.aanma.org>

National Heart, Lung & Blood Institute

National Institute of Health

(301) 592-8573

<http://www.nhlbi.nih.gov/index.htm>

National Institutes of Health-National Institute of Allergy & Infectious Diseases

(919) 541-3445

<http://www.niaid.nih.gov>

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)-Indoor Air Quality Information

(800) 438-4318

<http://www.epa.gov/iaq/pubs/index.html>

BIOLOGICAL CONTAMINANTS- MOLD AND MILDEW:

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)-IAQ INFO

PO Box 37133

Washington D.C. 20013-7133

(800) 438-4318

http://www.epa.gov/iaq/pubs/bio_1.html

Association of Occupational & Environmental Clinics

(AOEC) (educational resources for professionals)

(202) 347-4976

<http://www.aoec.org>

Association of Specialists in Cleaning & Restoration (ASCR)

Disaster recovery, water and fire damage, emergency tips.

(800) 272-7012

<http://www.ascr.org>

Centers for Disease Control & Prevention (CDC)

Information on health-related topics including asthma, molds in the environment and occupational health.

(800) 311-3435

<http://www.cdc.gov>

National Center for Environmental Health

NCEH Health Line:

(888) 232-6789

<http://www.cdc.gov/nceh/airpollution/mold/stachy.htm>

<http://www.cdc.gov/nceh/airpollution/mold/moldfacts.htm>

New York Department of Health, Bureau of Environmental & Occupational Disease Epidemiology

Guidelines on assessment and remediation of fungi in indoor environments.

(212) 788-4290

<http://www.ci.nyc.us/html/doh/html/epi/moldrpt1.html>

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

Mold Resources

<http://www.epa.gov/iaq/pubs/moldresources.html>

Floods/Flooding:

<http://www.epa.gov/iaq/pubs/flood.html>

Mold Remediation in Schools/Commercial Bldgs:

<http://www.epa.gov/iaq/molds/>

CHEMICALS AND PESTICIDES:**CHEMTREC Chemical Referral Center:**

(24 hr HAZMAT Emergency Communications Center)

(800) 262-8200 (7am-8 pm CT M-F)

<http://www.chemtrec.com>

Consumer Federation of America

Environmental Publications

1424 16th Street, NW, Suite 604

Washington D.C. 20036

(202) 387-6121

<http://www.consumerfed.org>

National Pesticide Information Center (NPIC)

For medical and consumer information on pesticides

(800) 858-7378

<http://www.npic.orst.edu>

Emergency:

<http://www.ace.orst.edu/info/nptn/emerg.htm>

U.S. EPA Office of Pesticide Programs

<http://www.epa.gov/pesticides>

U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission

Washington, D.C. 20207

HOTLINE: (800) 638-2772

<http://www.cpsc.gov>

University of Nebraska

Pesticide Education Office

101 Natural Resources Hall

P.O. Box 830820

Lincoln NE 68583-0820

Contact local county extension office

<http://pested.unl.edu>

ENERGY:**American Council for an Energy-Efficient Economy**

1001 Connecticut Avenue, SW-Suite 801

Washington D.C. 20036

(202) 429-0063 (publications)

(Consumer Guide Section)

<http://www.aceee.org>

Consumer Federation of America

1424 16th Street, NW-Suite 604

Washington, D.C. 20036

(202) 387-6121

<http://www.buyenergyefficient.org>

Energy Efficiency & Renewable Energy Clearinghouse

PO Box 3048

Merrifield VA 22116

(800) 363-3732 (7 am - 4 pm CT-M-F)

<http://www.eren.doe.gov/RE/solar.html>

Energy factsheets:

<http://www.eren.doe.gov/erec/factsheets>

National Center for Appropriate Technology Affordable Sustainability Technical Assistance for HOME

<http://www.eia.doe.gov>

National Energy Information Center

Forrestal Building EI-22 Room 1F048
1000 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington D.C. 20585
(202) 586-8800 (7am-3pm CT; M-F)
<http://www.eia.doe.gov>

Nebraska Energy Office

1111 O Street, Suite 223
Lincoln NE 68508
(402) 471-2867
<http://www.nol.org/home/NEO>

Oak Ridge National Lab

Office of Building Technology
Building Technology Center
(423) 574-5178
Residential Energy Design & Construction Bulletin
<http://eber.ed.ornl.gov/RED.C.B.html>

United States Department of Energy (DOE) Animated Web site-Energy Savers: Tips on Saving Energy and Money at Home

http://www.eren.doe.gov/consumerinfo/energy_savers

DOE Consumer Information

(800) 342-5468
<http://www.eren.doe.gov/consumerinfo>
DOE Energy Starr
(888) 782-7937
<http://www.energystar.gov>

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH:**American Cancer Society**

5733 South 34th Street
Lincoln NE 68516
(402) 423-4888
Information on environmental tobacco smoke
<http://www.cancer.org>

Consumer Product Safety Commission

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Washington D.C. 20460
(800) 438-4318
<http://www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/pubs/iaq.html>

Healthy Indoor Air for America's Homes

Montana State University Extension Service
Taylor Hall
Bozeman MT 59717

(406) 994-3451
<http://www.montana.edu/wwwcxair>

National Safety Council

Environmental Health Center
1025 Connecticut Avenue NW-Suite 1200
Washington D.C. 20036
(202) 293-2270
<http://www.nsc.org/ehc/ehcdirec.htm>

Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services

Environmental Health
301 Centennial Mall, South
Lincoln NE 68509
(402) 471-2541
<http://www.hhs.state.ne.us/enh/enhindex.htm>

Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality

1200 N Street, Suite 400
PO Box 98922
Lincoln NE 68508
(402) 471-2186, (402) 471-2909 FAX
<http://www.deq.state.ne.us/>

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA):

Ariel Rios Building
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington D.C. 20406
(202) 260-2090
<http://www.epa.gov>

U.S. EPA Region VII (IA, KS, MO, NE)

901 North 5th Street
Kansas City KS 66101
(800) 223-0425, 913/551-7003
<http://www.epa.gov/region07>

U.S. EPA, for ordering environmental publications

(800) 490-9198
U.S. EPA Indoor Air Quality Hotline for ordering publications
(800) 438-4318
To order publications:
<http://www.epa.gov/epahome/publications.htm>
New publications and information:
<http://www.epa.gov/iaq/whatsnew.html>

U.S. EPA Children's Health Protection

<http://www.epa.gov/children>

U.S. EPA National Center for Environmental Publications & Information

To order publications:
(800) 490-9198
<http://epa.gov/ncepihom>

U.S. EPA Technology Transfer Network
<http://www.epa.gov/ttn>

LEAD:

National Center for Environmental Health
Child Lead Poisoning
(888) 232-6789
<http://www.cdc.gov/nceh/lead/links/links.htm>

National Safety Council
Lead Poisoning Prevention Outreach Program
1121 Spring Lake Drive
Itasca IL 60143-3201
(630) 285-1121
<http://www.nsc.org/ehc/lead.htm>
<http://www.nsc.org/library/facts/lead.htm>

U.S. EPA National Lead Information Hotline & Clearinghouse
(800) 424-LEAD (800) 424-5323)
(800) LEAD-FYI (800) 532-3394)
<http://www.epa.gov/lead/nlic.htm>

POISON CONTROL:

The Poison Center
The Children's Hospital
8301 Dodge Street
Omaha NE 68114
Emergency or Non-emergency:
National: (800) 222-1222
(800) 955-9119, (402) 995-5555 Omaha

University of Nebraska Medical Center
600 South 42nd Street
Omaha NE 68198
General Information: (402) 559-4000
(888) NHS-PHYS (647-7497)
<http://www.unmc.edu>

RADON:

Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services
Public Health Assurance Division-Radon
301 Centennial Mall South
Lincoln NE 68509-5007

(800) 334-9491 or (402) 471-0594
<http://www.hhs.state.ne.us/enh/radon/radon.htm>

Consumer Federation of America Foundation

PO Box 12099
Washington D.C. 20005
(202) 387-6121
<http://www.consumerfed.org>

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency: Radon

Environmental Health Center
Division of National Safety Council
1025 Connecticut Avenue NW-Suite 1200
Washington D.C. 20036
Radon Hotline:
(800) SOS-RADON (800) 767-7236
<http://www.epa.gov/iaq/radon>
Radon Helpline:
(800) 557-2366
http://www.nsc.org/ehc/radon/radn_doc.htm
Order publications:
(800) 490-9198
<http://www.epa.gov/ncepihom>
View publications:
<http://www.epa.gov/iaq/radon/pubs>
Information in Spanish:
<http://www.epa.gov/iaq/radon/pubs/elradon.html>
To have your home tested:
Radon Fix-It-Line:
(800) 644-6999
<http://www.epa.gov/iaq/iaqinfo.html#radonfixitline>

WATER:

Environmental Protection Agency

Safe Drinking Water Hotline
Office of Groundwater & Drinking Water
Ariel Rios Building
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue NW
Washington D.C. 20460-0003
(800) 426-4791
<http://www.epa.gov/safewater>

The Groundwater Foundation

<http://www.groundwater.org>

Water Environment Federation

Public Education Department
601 Wythe Street
Alexandria VA 22314-1994
(800) 666-0206

<http://www.wef.org>

OTHER:

University of Nebraska Cooperative Extension Publications:

*household waste management

*water

*energy

*radon

*lead

*air quality

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Note: The above organizations and agencies focus some or all of their Web sites and toll-free information lines on consumer education. The listing is not an endorsement of any one contact or agency. Any omission of contacts or sites is not intended as a criticism. There are many educational contacts and sites dealing with consumer environmental issues. These were provided to assist consumers in their search for agency and organizational websites and contacts.

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