1-15. Monetary Awards

1. AUTHORITY. To approve monetary awards up to $5,000 pursuant to Chapter 45, 5 U.S.C.

2. TO WHOM DELEGATED.

   a. The authority in (1) above is delegated to the following officials in Region 5 for employees within their jurisdictions:

      i. The Deputy Regional Administrator;
      ii. The Assistant Regional Administrator;
      iii. The Director, Air and Radiation Division;
      iv. The Director, Land and Chemicals Division;
      v. The Director, Water Division;
      vi. The Director, Superfund Division;
      vii. The Director, Great Lakes National Program Office; and
      viii. The Regional Counsel.

   b. The authority to approve monetary awards up to $3,000 pursuant to Chapter 45, 5 U.S.C. is delegated to the branch chief level or equivalent in the following Region 5 divisions and offices for employees within their jurisdictions: the Air and Radiation Division, the Land and Chemicals Division, the Water Division, the Superfund Division, the Resource Management Division, the Great Lakes National Program Office, and the Office of Regional Counsel.

   c. The authority to approve monetary awards up to $3,000 pursuant to Chapter 45, 5 U.S.C. is delegated to the following supervisors (as the equivalent of branch chiefs) in the Office of Regional Administrator for employees within their jurisdictions: the Regional Planning Coordinator for the Planning & Quality Assurance Group; the Director, Indian Environmental Office; the Director, Office of Enforcement & Compliance Assurance; and the Director, Office of External Communications.

   d. Each person from or to whom authority is delegated or redelegated retains the authority.

3. LIMITATIONS.

   a. All monetary awards must have a supervisor as the recommending official and a different and higher level supervisor as the approving official; except that awards up to $2,000 may be recommended and approved of by the same supervisor for his /her immediate subordinates.

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b. The authority delegated in Section 2 above to the Deputy Regional Administrator is limited to approving monetary awards for employees within the Region 5 Office of Regional Administrator.

c. The authority delegated in Section 2 above to the Assistant Regional Administrator is limited to approving monetary awards for employees within the Region 5 Resource Management Division.

4. REDELEGATION AUTHORITY. The authorities specified in Sections 1 and 2 may not be further re-delegated.

5. ADDITIONAL REFERENCES.

a. 5 U.S.C. Chapter 45, 5 CFR Part 451.
b. EPA Manual 3130, Recognition Policy and Procedures Manual.
c. HQ Delegation 1-15.