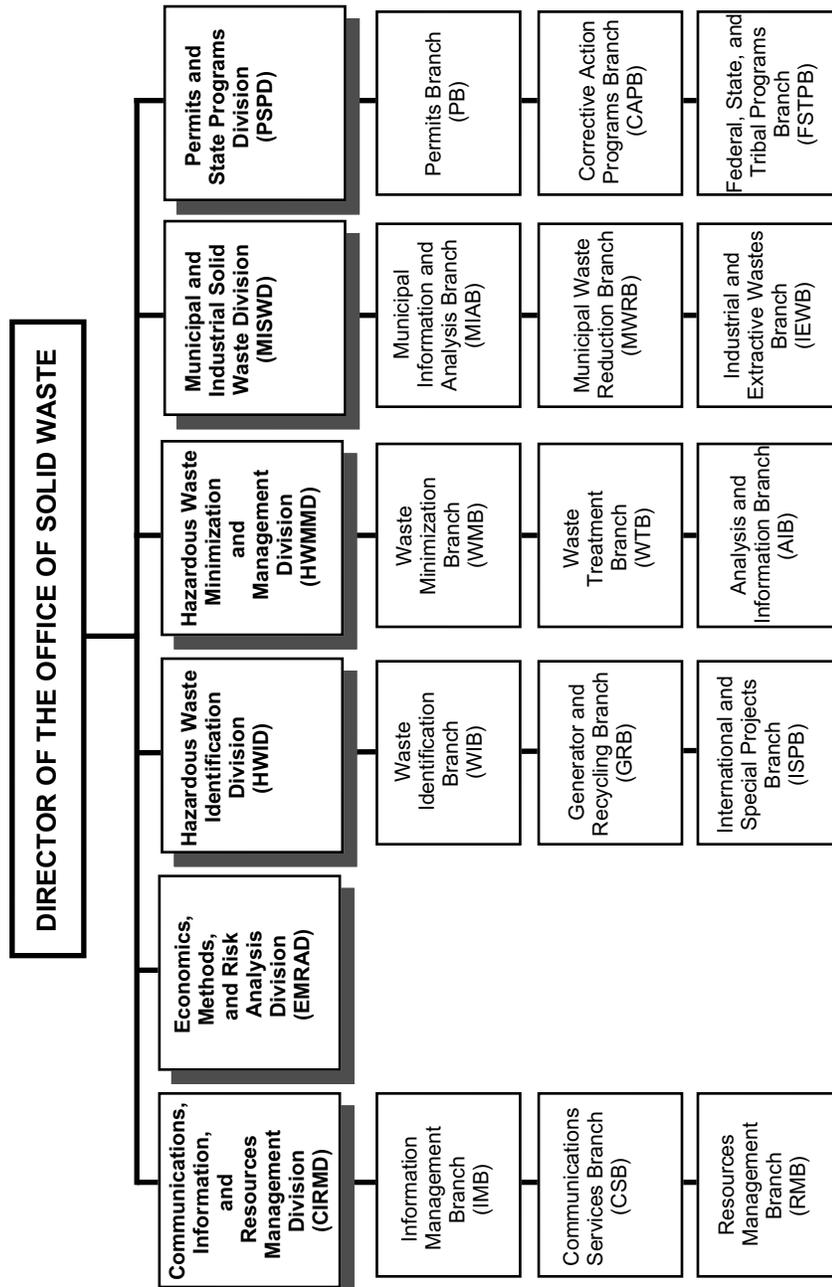


APPENDIX F

OSW ORGANIZATION CHART



The **Office of Solid Waste (OSW)** contributes to the Agency's goal of protecting human health and the environment. Its principal responsibility is to build a national waste management program, implemented through EPA Regional Offices and state programs, to manage solid and hazardous waste in the United States. There are six divisions which follow:

The **Communications, Information, and Resources Management Division (CIRMD)** is responsible for managing an outreach and communications program to increase public awareness about solid and hazardous waste programs, managing the national RCRA information systems, and providing administrative, budget, and contract management support to the Office of Solid Waste.

The **Economics, Methods, and Risk Analysis Division (EMRAD)** is responsible for evaluating toxicological and exposure data; developing health and ecological risk assessment support; and applying multimedia fate to transport models to assist in the evaluation of the ecological and human health impacts of solid waste management systems. It prepares regulatory assessments, which include societal costs and benefits of options for regulation development, policy analysis, and legislative initiatives under consideration within OSW. The Division also develops and evaluates sampling, statistical, and analytical methods to support RCRA regulations and policies, and implements the RCRA quality assurance program.

The **Hazardous Waste Identification Division (HWID)** is responsible for conducting industry studies to determine which wastes should be listed as hazardous, and identifying the hazardous waste characteristics. It also develops Agency policies related to delisting, and develops regulations and

guidance regarding medical wastes, used oil, generators and transporters of hazardous waste, hazardous waste recycling, and the definition of solid waste. The Division also develops policies related to international hazardous waste management and is the lead on issues related to the import and export of hazardous waste, such as the Basel Convention.

The **Hazardous Waste Minimization and Management Division (HWMMD)** is responsible for encouraging hazardous waste minimization, establishing standards that assure safe treatment of hazardous waste, and identifying data that must be reported on waste generation, treatment, storage, and disposal. HWMMD's responsibilities include the Waste Minimization National Plan, the LDR program, the EPA Combustion Strategy, and the Waste Information Needs Project.

The **Municipal and Industrial Solid Waste Division (MISWD)** is responsible for ensuring safe management of municipal, industrial, and extractive solid wastes by providing technical guidance, regulations, policy, and information related to waste prevention, recycling, and disposal to industry, EPA Regional, state and tribal officials, and the general public.

The **Permits and State Programs Division (PSPD)** is responsible for the nationwide implementation of a program to control hazardous wastes including the permitting of facilities and the authorization of states to operate their programs in lieu of the federal program. The Division develops regulations and guidance for the national corrective action program which oversees site cleanups at facilities that store, treat, or dispose of hazardous waste. PSPD also provides technical support for EPA Regions and states that are implementing the programs.