



MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF
ENVIRONMENT, GREAT LAKES, AND ENERGY

Emerging Contaminants



Ethylene Oxide Updates

- Viant Medical ceased using EtO
- Current Investigation at Centurion Medical
- Continued collaboration with state and local health departments
- Outreach and community engagement
- Ongoing work with EPA on rules revisions

EPA Office of Inspector General Findings

- April 15, 2021 report - EPA delayed risk communication and issued instructions hindering region 5's ability to address EtO emissions
- <https://www.epa.gov/office-inspector-general/report-epa-should-conduct-new-residual-risk-and-technology-reviews>



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EPA Office of Inspector General Findings - Continued

- May 6, 2021 report – EPA should conduct new residual risk and technology reviews for ethylene oxide and chloroprene
- <https://www.epa.gov/office-inspector-general/report-epa-should-conduct-new-residual-risk-and-technology-reviews>



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PFAS Updates

- EPA has developed a new stack test method to test for PFAS – OTM-45
- AQD met with representatives from a surface finishing manufacturer to discuss the feasibility of utilizing PFAS free mist suppressants
- <https://www.mlive.com/public-interest/2021/06/its-literally-raining-pfas-around-the-great-lakes-say-researchers.html>