

LIST OF ACRONYMS USED IN ENVIRONMENTAL LITERATURE

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(c): copyright

-30-: end of news release

3Ds: deregulation, decentralization and devolution

A.2d: Atlantic Reporter Second Series

A.D.: anno domine (after Christ)

a.m.: ante meridiem (before noon)

ABN: Asian Business News

ACAP: Atlantic Coastal Action Plan

ACAP: Atlantic Coastal Action Programm

ACL: Alternative Concentration Levels

ACP: Agricultural Conservation Program

ADEC: Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (USA)

ADM: Assistant Deputy Minister

ADR: alternative dispute resolution

AEA: Atomic Energy Act

AEC: Atomic Energy Commission

AECA: Atomic Energy Control Act (Canada)

AECB: Atomic Energy Control Board

AECL: Atomic Energy of Canada, Limited

AES: Arctic Environmental Strategy

AES: Atmospheric Environment Service

AFA: alternative funding arrangements

AFI: Assembly of First Nations

AG: Attorney General

AGA: annual general assembly (Canadian Environmental Network)

AGBC: Attorney General of British Columbia

AGS: Alberta Geological Society

AIA: (Canadian) Access to Information Act

AICBCA: Appraisal Institute of Canada, British Columbia Association

AID: U.S. Agency for International Development

AIF: airport improvement fee

AIS: Artifact Information System (Environment Canada Database)

AKA: also known as

Ala.: Alabama

ALC: Agricultural Land Commission (B.C.)

ALR: Agricultural Land Reserve (B.C.)

AMD: acid mine drainage

Am. Sam.: American Samoa

AMRF: Abandoned Mine Reclamation Fund

AMS: Alma Mater Society (UBC)

ANWR: Arctic National Wildlife Refuge

ANFOR: Ancient Forests & Wilderness Project

ANILCA: Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act

Ann.: Annotated

ANZECC: Australian and New Zealand Environment and Conservation Council

AOSIS: Alliance of Small Island States

APA: Administrative Procedure Act

APEC: Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation

App.: Appendix

ARC: Agriculture Resources Conservation

ARD: acid rock drainage

ARET: Accelerated Reduction / Elimination of Toxics

ARETS: Accelerated Reduction / Elimination of Toxics Substances

Ariz.: Arizona

Ark.: Arkansas

ARTES: Accelerated Reduction / Elimination of Toxic Substances

ASCS: Agriculture Stabilization and Conservation Service

ASGAD: Atlantic Shellfish Growing Area Database (Environment Canada Database)

ATIP: access to information and privacy (Canada, federal)

ATSDR: Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry

ATC: Alternative Transportation Centre (Vancouver, BC)

ATV: all terrain vehicle

B.C.: Before Christ

BACT: Best Available Control Technology

BACT: best available control technology

BAF: Bioaccumulation Factor

BAPMON: Background Air Pollution Monitoring Network (Environment Canada Database)

BART: Best Available Retrofit Technology

BAT: best available technology

BATEA: Best Available Technology Economically Achievable

BBCS: Burns Bog Conservation Society

BBS: Bulletin Board System

BC: British Columbia

BCAA: British Columbia Assessment Authority

BCAA: British Columbia Automobile Association

BCCA: BC Court of Appeal

BCCCP: BC Communities Connect Program

BCE: BC Environment (Ministry of)

BCEAA: BC Environmental Assessment Act

BCEC: British Columbia Energy Council

BCEN: British Columbia Environmental Network

BCF: Bioconcentration Factor

BCGEU: BC Government Employees' Union

BCLA: British Columbia Library Association

BCLR: British Columbia Law Reports

BCMA: British Columbia Medical Association

BCOAPO: B.C. Old Age Pensioners Organization

BCR: British Columbia Railway

BCSC: British Columbia Supreme Court

BCT: Best Conventional Pollutant Control Technology

BCTF: BC Teachers' Federation

BCUC: British Columbia Utilities Commission

BECC: Border Environment Cooperation Commission

BIA: Bureau of Indian Affairs

BIT: Business Impact Test

BIEAP: Burrard Inlet Environmental Action Plan

BLCR: BC Law Reports

BLM: Bureau of Land Management

BMP: Best Management Practices

BMP: best management practices

BNA: British North America

BOD: Biological Oxygen Demand

BOD: board of directors

BOR: Bureau of Reclamation

BPA: Bonneville Power Administration

BPT: Best Practical Control Technology Currently Available

BCSC: B.C. Supreme Court

BTEX: benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene and xylenes, a group of monocyclic aromatic hydrocarbons

BTW: by the way

C.F.R.: Code of Federal Regulations

CA: Court of Appeal

CAA: Clean Air Act

CAA: Clean Air Act (Saskatchewan)

CAC: Consumers Association of Canada

CAFE: Corporate Average Fuel Economy

CAIR: Chemical Assessment Information Rule

Cal.: California

CPPA: Canadian Pulp and Paper Association

CANARIE: Canadian Network for the Advancement of Research, Industry and Education

CAPMON: Canadian Air and Precipitation Monitoring Network (Environment Canada Database)

CAPP: Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers

CBA-BC: Canadian Bar Association - British Columbia Branch

CBA: Canadian Bar Association

CBD: Convention on Biodiversity

CBOT: Chicago Board of Trade

CBP: Clayoquot Biosphere Project (Founded in Tofino, 1991)

CBR: Cypress Bowl Recreation

CBRL: Cypress Bowl Recreation Ltd.

CBS: Canadian Biodiversity Strategy

CC: conservation covenant

CCC: Commodity Credit Corporation

CCEC: Council of the Commission for Environmental Cooperation

CCHW: Citizens Clearinghouse for Hazardous Wastes (U.S.)

CESCC: Canadian Endangered Species Conservation Council

CCME: Canadian Council of Ministers of the Environment

CCNT: Conservation Committee of the Northern Territory (Australia)

CCOSH: Canadian Centre for Occupational Health

CCPA: Canadian Chemical Producers Association

CCPA: Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives

CCREM: Canadian Council of Resource and Environment Ministers

CD-ROM: compact disk - read only memory

CDC: Conservation Data Centres

CEA: Canadian Education Association

CEA: cumulative effects assessment

CEAA: Canadian Environmental Assessment Act

CEAC: Canadian Environmental Advisory Council

CEARC: Canadian Environmental Assessment Research Council

CEC: Commission for Environmental Cooperation (NAFTA)

CEDARENA: Environmental and Natural Resources Law Center (Costa Rica)

CEDF: Canadian Environmental Defence Fund

CEEMP: Cowichan Estuary Environmental Management Plan

CELA: Canadian Environmental Law Association

CEN: Canadian Environmental Network

CEO: Chief Executive Officer

CEPA: Canadian Environmental Protection Act

CEPA: Commonwealth Environment Protection Authority (Australia)

CEQ: Council on Environmental Quality

CERCLA: Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980

CERCLA: Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act (Also known as The Superfund) - USA

CES: Canadian Earthcare Society

CFC: chlorofluorocarbon

CFCs: Chlorofluorocarbons

CFE: Comision Federal de Electricidad (Federal Electricity Commission -- Mexico)

CFFA: Canada's Future Forest Alliance

CFL: Canadian Football League

CFL: compact fluorescent lamp

CFS: Canadian Federation of Students

CGCP: Canadian Global Climate Change Program

CGIS: Canada Geographic Information System (Environment Canada Database)

ch.: Chapter

CHEMPROF: Chemical Profiles Database - Schedule II Transportation of Dangerous Goods (Environment Canada Database)

CIDA: Canadian International Development Agency

CIEL: Center for International Environmental Law

CIEL: Center for International Environmental Law

CIELAP: Canadian Institute of Environmental Law and Policy

CIPSI: Canadian Industry Packaging Stewardship Initiative

Cir.: Circuit

CIRL: Canadian Institute of Resources Law

CIS: Canadian Ice Service

CISTI: Canada Institute for Scientific and Technical Information

CITES: Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora

CITES: Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species (of Wild Flora and Fauna)

CLA: Canadian Library Association

CLC: Canadian Labour Congress

CLC: Canada Labour Code

CLE: Continuing Legal Education

CLI: Canada Land Inventory (Program)

CLISP: Corporate Land Information Strategic Plan

cm: centimetres

CMA: Canadian Medical Association

CMA: Canadian Manufacturers Association

CMC: Conservation Monitoring Center (of the IUCN)

CMCS: Criteria for Managing Contaminated Sites

CMDA: Centro Mexicano De Derecho Ambiental

CNE: Canadian National Exhibition (Toronto)

CNE: Certified Network Engineer

CNF: Canadian Nature Federation

CNOPB: Canada Newfoundland Offshore Petroleum Board

CO₂: carbon dioxide

COA: Canadian Ontario Agreement

COA: Canadian Ontario Agreement

COA: certificate of approval

COD: chemical oxygen demand

COD: cash on delivery

Colo.: Colorado

COM: Committee of Ministers (CCME)

COMP: Air Pollutants Compendium (Environment Canada Database)

Conn.: Connecticut

COP: council of parties

CORE: Commission on Resources and the Environment (B.C.)

COSEWIC: Committee on the Status of Endangered Wildlife in Canada

CPA: Canadian Petroleum Association (now CAPP)

CPI: Coalition for Public Information (Canada)

CPHA: Canadian Public Health Association

CPU: Canadian Paperworkers' Union

CRASH Canadians for Responsible and Safe Highways

CRII: Corporate Resources Inventory Initiative

CRKMA: Community Right to Know More Act (USA)

CRP: Conservation Reserve Program

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CSALE: Centre for Studies in Agriculture, Law and the Environment (Saskatchewan)

CSHIB: Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board

CSPAN: Cable Satellite Public Affairs Network

CSR: Contaminated Sites Regulation

CTC: Cornell Theory Center

Ctl: Commonwealth (Australia)

CTS: Canadian Treaty Series

CULA: University of California Los Angeles

cum: cubic metres

CUPE: Canadian Union of Public Employees

CVRD: Cowichan Valley Regional District (BC)

CWA: Clean Water Act

CWWA: Canadian Water and Waste Association

CWQG: Canadian Water Quality Guidelines (CCME)

CYA: cover your ass

CYI: Council for Yukon Indians

CZMA: Coastal Zone Management Act

D.C.: District of Columbia

DAL: direct access line

DAR: Daughters of the American Revolution

DC: District of Columbia (U.S.)

DCA: detrended correspondence analysis

DCL: development cost levy

DCC: development cost charge

DDT: pesticide

Del.: Delaware

DFO: Department of Fisheries and Oceans

DG: Director General

DIAND: Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development

DLL: direct link library

DLR: Dominion Law Reports

DM: Deputy Minister

DND: Department of National Defence

DOA: dead on arrival

DOD: Department of Defense

DOE: Department of Energy

DOI: Department of Interior

DOJ: Department of Justice

DOT: Department of Transportation

DOTS: Departmental Office Technology System (Environment Canada)

DPA: Development Permit Area

DU: Ducks Unlimited

EA: environmental assessment

EAB: Environmental Appeal Board

EAO: Environmental Assessment Office (B.C.)

EARP: Environmental Assessment and Review Process

EBR: Environmental Bill of Rights

ECARP: Environmental Conservation Acreage Reserve Program

ECDD: Environment Canada Data Dictionary

ECE: Economic Commission for Europe (UN region including all of Europe, US, Canada, the Central Asian Republics of the former Soviet Union and Israel)

ECO: Environmental Citizens Organization

ECP: enforcement and compliance policy

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ed: edition

ed: editor

ED: Executive Director

EDF: Environmental Defense Fund (US)

EDI: Enviro Desorption Inc.

EDM: electronic distance measurement

EDRF: Environmental Dispute Resolution Fund (WCELA)

EDSP: Environmental and Development Support Program

EEC: European Economic Community

EEM: environmental effects monitoring

EEP: Environmental Easement Program

EEZ: Exclusive Economic Zone

EHC: extended health benefits

EIA: Environmental Impact Assessment

EIA: environmental impact assessment

EIL: environmental impairment liability

EIS: Environmental Impact Statement

EIS: environmental impact statement

EKES: East Kootenay Environmental Society

ELIAS: Environment Library Integrated Automated System (Environment Canada)

ELP: End Legislated Poverty (B.C.)

ELU(T)C: Environment and Land Use (Technical) Committee (Government of B.C.)

EMA: Environmental Management Act

EMCBC: Environmental Mining Council of British Columbia

EMEP: Cooperative Program for Monitoring and Evaluation of the Long - Range Transmission of Air Pollution in Europe

EMF: Environmental Management Framework (CCME)

EMPA: Environmental Management and Protection Act (Saskatchewan)

ENGO: Environmental Non-Governmental Organization

EMS: environment management system

EN: El Nino

ENSO: El Nino/Southern Oscillation

ENT: ear, nose and throat

EOPT: end of pipe treatment

EP: Environmental Protection (Canada)

EPA: Environmental Protection Agency

EPA: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

EPCRA: Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act

EPCRKA: Emergency Planning and Community Right to Know Act (USA)

EPEA: Environmental Protection and Enhancement Act (Alberta)

EQO: environmental quality objectives

ERC: Emergency Response Coordinator

ERDA: Energy Research and Development Administration

ESA: Endangered Species Act

ESA: Environmentally Sensitive Area

ESD: ecologically sustainable development

ESM: environmentally sound management

ETL: Envirogreen Technologies Ltd.

EU: European Union

Exec. Order: Executive Order

F. Supp.: Federal Supplement

F.2d: Federal Reporter Second Series

F.3d: Federal Reporter Third Series

FA: Fisheries Act

FA: Forest Act

FA: federal authority

FACA: Federal Advisory Committee Act

FAO: Food and Agriculture Organization

FAPG: Federation of Anti-Poverty Groups (B.C.)

FAQ: frequently asked questions

FBCMC: Federation of BC Mountain Clubs

FBCN: The Federation of British Columbia Naturalists

FBMB: Fraser Basin Management Board

FBMP: Fraser Basin Management Plan

FCA: Federal Court of Appeal

FCC: Farm Credit Corporation (Canada)

FCC: Federal Communications Commission (US)

FCC: Federal Court of Canada

FCC: Fisheries Council of Canada

FCC: Fletcher Challenge Canada

FCC: Fletcher Challenge Canada

FCM: Federation of Canadian Municipalities

FCPP: Friends of Cypress Provincial Park

FCTD: Federal Court Trial Division

FDA: Food and Drug Administration (US)

FDA: Food and Drugs Act (Canada)

FDA: Food and Drugs Administration (USA)

FEARO: Federal Environmental Assessment Review Office

FEARP: Federal Environmental Assessment Review Process

Fed. Reg.: Federal Register

FEMA: Federal Emergency Management Act

FERC: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

FIFRA: Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act

FIPA: Freedom of Information and Privacy Association

FIPPA: Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act

Fla.: Florida

FLPMA: Federal Land Policy and Management Act

FLR: Forest Land Reserve (B.C.)

FLUC: Forest Land Use Council (Galiano Island, BC)

FMPs: Fishery Management Plans

FMV: fair market value

FN: First Nations

FN: footnote

FNEA: First Nations Environmental Assessment

FNRA: First Nations Responsible Authority

FOIA: Freedom of Information Act

FONSI: Finding of No Significant Impact

FPA: Federal Power Act

FPAC: Federal-Provincial Advisory Committee (under CEPA)

FPC: Forest Practices Code

FRAP: Fraser River Action Plan

FRAP: Fraser River Action Plan

FRBC: Forest Renewal British Columbia

FRC: Forest Resources Commission (BC)

FSSIM: Forest Service Simulation Model

FSZ: Fisheries Sensitive Zones

ft: feet

FTA: Free Trade Agreement

FTCA: Federal Tort Claims Act

FWPCA: Federal Water Pollution Control Act

FY: fiscal year

FYI: for your information

Ga.: Georgia

GAO: General Accounting Office

GATT: General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade

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GB: Great Britain

GEA: Greater Ecosystems Alliance

GEF: Global Environment Facility

GEMS: Global Environmental Monitoring System

GFI: ground fault interrupt

GHG: greenhouse gas

GIS: geographic information system

GLCZDB: Canadian Great Lakes Coastal Zone Database (Environment Canada Database)

GLIDE: Government Land Information Data Exchange

GLU: Great Lakes United

GPS: Global Positioning System

GRID: Global Resource Information Database (Established by GEMS)

GLPPC: Great Lakes Pollution Prevention Centre

GSP: gross domestic product

GSR: Geo-Spatial Reference

GST: Goods and Services Tax

Haw.: Hawaii

HBU: highest and best use of land

HCF: Habitat Conservation Fund

HCP: Habitat Conservation Plan

HCS: Hazard Communication Standard

HELs: Highly Erodible Lands

HFC: Heritage Canada Foundation

HIV: human immunodeficiency virus

HL: House of Lords

HOG: Home Owner Grant (British Columbia)

hr: hectare

HSWA: Hazardous and Solid Waste Amendments of 1984

HTTP: hypertext transfer protocol

HWC: Health and Welfare Canada

IHAC: Information Highway Advisory Council. (Canada)

I.L.M.: International Legal Materials

IAAO: International Association of Assessing Officers

IAEA: International Atomic Energy Agency

IAEA: International Atomic Energy Agency

IAIA: International Association for Impact Assessment

IATA: International Air Transport Association

IATO: Information Access Technology Office (BC)

IBC: Insurance Bureau of Canada (industry association re property and casualty insurance sector)

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IBRD: International Bank for Reconstruction and Development

IBWC: International Boundary and Water Commission

ICAPOR: Information Collection and Public Opinion Research (Environment Canada)

ICCC: Inuit Circumpolar Conference Canada

ICEL: International Council on Environmental Law

ICH: interior hemlock/cedar (ecological zone)

ICHR: InterAmerican Commission on Human Rights.

ICLQ: International and Comparative Law Quarterly

ICSU: International Council of Scientific Unions

IDA: International Development Association

IDB: InterAmerican Development Bank

IDERA: International Development Education Resources Association (B.C.)

IEMI: International Environmental Management Initiative

IFC: International Finance Corporation

IFF: if and only if

IGAE: Intergovernmental Agreement on the Environment (Australia)

IFCS: Intergovernmental Forum on Chemical Safety

IIEC: International Institute for Energy Conservation

IIP: International Ice Patrol

IJC: International Joint Commission (binational commission formed in 1909 to deal with water quality issues along the Canada and U.S. border)

Ill.: Illinois

ILMA: Interior Lumber Manufacturers Association (BC)

IMF: International Monetary Fund

IMHO: in my humble opinion

IMO: International Maritime Organization

IMP: integrated pest management

in: inch

INAC: Indian and Northern Affairs Canada

Ind.: Indiana

INE: Instituto Nacional de Ecologia (National Institute of Ecology -- Mexico)

IPAC: Independent Petroleum Association of Canada (now CAPP)

IPAT: impacts (is a function of) population, affluence and technology

IPCC: Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change

IRC: Internal Revenue Code

IRP: Integrated Resource Planning

IRS: Internal Revenue Service

ISO: International Standards Organization

ISP: independent service provider

ISR: intelligence collection, surveillance, and reconnaissance

IT: information technology

ITC: Inuit Taparitat Canada

ITQ: Individual Transferable Quota

ITR: International Trade Reporter

ITTO: International Tropical Timber Organization

IUCN: International Union for the Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources

IWA-C: International Woodworkers of America - Canada

IWA: International Woodworkers of America

IWC: International Whaling Commission

IWD: Inland Waters Directorate (of Environment Canada)

IWD: International Women's Day

JBNQ Agreement: James Bay and Northern Quebec Agreement

JEA: Jasper Environmental Association

JMP: Joint Monitoring Program

JPAC: Joint Policy Advisory Committee

JRPA: Judicial Review Procedures Act

Kan.: Kansas

Kb: kilobytes

Kbps: kilobytes per second

kg: kilogram

Kow: octanol-water partition coefficient

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KTFC: Kwakiut'l Territorial Fisheries Commission

Ky.: Kentucky

L.N.T.S.: League of Nation Treaty Series

La.: Louisiana

LAER: Lowest Achievable Emission Rate

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LC: Library of Congress

LCV: longer combination vehicles (long tracker-trailor trucks)

LEH: limited entry hunt

LEPCs: Local Emergency Planning Committees

LEPS: Langley Environmental Protection Society

LG in C: Lieutenant Governor in Council (cabinet)

LISA: Low-Input, Sustainable Agriculture Program

LM: Lower Mainland (of British Columbia)

LMCS: Local Multipoint Communications Systems

LOC: line of credit

LOD: letters of direction

logKow: octanol-water partition coefficient

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LOS: Law of the Sea

LRMP: Land & Resource Management Plan (BC)

LRSP: Livable Region Strategic Plan (greater Vancouver)

LRTAP: Long Range Transportation of Atmospheric Pollutants

LSUC: Law Society of Upper Canada. (Ontario)

LTAP: longrange transport of airborne pollutants

LUST: leaking underground storage tank

m: metre

MA: Municipal Act

MAB: Man and Biosphere

MAC: Mining Association of Canada

MACT: Maximum Achievable Control Technology

MAFF: Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Fisheries (B.C.)

Man. QB: Manitoba Queen's Bench

MARPOL: International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships

Mass.: Massachusetts

MB: MacMillan Bloedel

MC: memo to cabinet

MCLs: Maximum Contaminant Levels

Md.: Maryland

MDBs: Multilateral development banks

MDF: medium density fibreboard

Me.: Maine

MEA: Municipal Environmental Assessment

MEC: Mountain Equipment Co-op (BC)

MET: Meteorological Data System (Environment Canada Database)

MFI: minimum federal involvement

MFI: multilateral financial institution

MGIH: Management of Government Information (Policy)

MHz: megaHertz

mi: miles

MIACC: Major Industrial Accidents Council of Canada

MIACC: Major Industrial Accidents Council of Canada

ILO: International Labour Organization

Mich.: Michigan

MIME: multimedia

Minn.: Minnesota

MISA: Municipal / Industrial Strategy for Abatement

MISA: Municipal-Industrial Strategy for Abatement (Ontario)

Miss.: Mississippi

MIT: Massachusetts Institute of Technology

MLA: Mineral Leasing Act

MLA: Member of the Legislative Assembly

MMA: Ministry of Municipal Affairs

MMPA: Marine Mammal Protection Act

MMS: Mineral Management Service

MMT: manganese compound, gasoline additive, trade name HiTEC 3000

Mo.: Missouri

mo: month

MOA: Memorandum of Agreement

MOEE: Ministry of Environment and Energy (Ontario)

MOELP (MELP): Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks (BC)

Mont.: Montana

MOU: Memorandum of Understanding

MOU: memorandum of understanding

MP: Member of Parliament

MPA: marine protected area

MPP: Member of Provincial Parliament (Ontario)

MPRSA: Marine Protection, Research and Sanctuaries Act

MS: Microsoft

MSAC: Multi-Stakeholder Advisory Committee (to the federal Minister of Environment on NPRI)

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MSDS: Material Safety Data Sheet

MSDSs: Material Safety Data Sheets

MSWG: Multi-Stakeholder Working Group on Pulp Mill Regulation in BC

MSY: Maximum Sustainable Yield

MUC: Montreal Urban Community

MUSYA: Multiple-Use Sustained-Yield Act

N.C.: North Carolina

N.D.: North Dakota

N.E.2d: North Eastern Reporter Second Series

N.H.: New Hampshire:

N.J.: New Jersey

N.M.: New Mexico

N.W.2d: Northwest Reporter Second Series

N.Y.: New York

N: North (NE Northeast, NNE North-North east, etc.)

NA: not applicable

NA: not available

NAAEC: North America Agreement on Environmental Cooperation

NAAQS: National Ambient Air Quality Standards

NACE: North American Commission on the Environment (Same as CEC)

NACEC: North American Commission on Environmental Cooperation

NAD27: North American Datum of 1927

NAD83: North American Datum of 1983

NADBank: North American Development Bank

NAFTA: North American Free Trade Agreement

NAG: National Advisory Group on Harmonization (CCME)

NAICC: National Air Issues Coordinating Committee (Canada)

NAP: Northern Affairs Program

NAPAP: National Acid Precipitation Assessment Program

NaPP: National Packaging Protocol (Canada)

NAPS: National Air Pollution Surveillance Network (Environment Canada)

NAQUADAT: National Water Quality Database (Environment Canada Database)

NAS: National Academy of Sciences (US)

NASA: National Aeronautics and Space Administration

NATO: North Atlantic Treaty Organization

NCAP: Northwest Coalition for Alternatives and Pesticides

NCC: Nature Conservancy of Canada

NCC: National Capital Commission (Ottawa)

NCHS: National Center for Health Statistics (US)

NCP: National Contingency Plan

NCR: National Capital Region (Ottawa)

NCSA: National Centre for Supercomputing Applications

NCSR: National Contaminated Sites Remediation Program

NCV: nuclear capable vessel

NDP: New Democratic Party

Neb.: Nebraska

NEDRES: National Environmental Data Referral Service

NEPA: National Environmental Protection Act

NESHAPs: National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants

Nev.: Nevada

NEW: Northwest Environmental Watch

NFR: National Science Foundation (US)

NGO: Non-Governmental Organization

NIC: North Island College (BC)

NII: National Information Infrastructure (US)

NIMBY: Not In My Back Yard

NIMTO: Not In My Term of Office

NIRB: Nunavut Impact Review Board

NITEP: Native Indian Teacher Education Program (UBC)

NMFS: National Marine Fisheries Service

NOAA: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

NOEL: no observable effect level

NOV: Notice of Violation

NPDES: National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System

NPL: National Priorities List

NPMS: National Packaging Monitoring System (Canada)

NPRI: Canadian National Pollutant Release Inventory

NPS: National Park Service

NPTF: National Packaging Task Force

NPTN: National Public Telecommunications Network

NPV: nuclear powered vessel

NRBS: Northern River Basins Study

NRC: Nuclear Regulatory Commission

NRC: National Research Council (Canada)

NRCan: Natural Resources Canada

NRCC: National Research Council of Canada

NRDC: Natural Resources Defense Council(USA)

NRT: National Response Team

NRTC: National Registry of Toxic Chemical Residues (Environment Canada Database)

NSA: Nunavut Settlement Agreement

NSC: National Security Council

NSEN: Nova Scotia Environment Network

NSESD: National Strategy for Ecologically Sustainable Development (Australia)

NSF: not sufficient funds

NSF: National Science Foundation (US)

NSPS: New Source Performance Standards

NSPS: New Source Pollution Standards

NUDAT: Nuclear Data System (Environment Canada Database)

NWPA: Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982

NWPA: Navigable Waters Protection Act

O&D: overlap and duplication

OLAP: Ontario Legal Aid Plan

OAS: Organization of American States

OC: Order of Canada

OCP: official community plan

OCR: optical character recognition

OCS: Outer Continental Shelf

OCSLA: Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act

ODA: overseas development assistance

ODC: Ozone Depleting Chemicals

ODSCA: Ozone Depleting Substance Control (Saskatchewan)

ODUMP: Ocean Dumping Permit System (Environment Canada Database)

OECD: Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development

OES: Bureau of Oceans and International Environmental and Scientific Affairs, State Department

OIC: order in council

Okla.: Oklahoma

OLA: Open Learning Agency (BC)

OLA: Official Languages Act (Canada)

OLA: Occupiers Liability Act

OLE: object linking and embedding

Ont. HC: Ontario High Court

op cit: [L. opere citato] in the work cited / in the place cited above

OPA: Oil Pollution Act of 1990

OPAC: online public access catalogue

Or.: Oregon

OR: Ontario Reports

ORC: Outdoor Recreation Council (of British Columbia)

ORV: outdoor recreation vehicle

OSC: On-Scene Coordinator

OSH Act: Occupational Safety and Health Act

OSHA: Occupational Safety and Health Administration

OSPS: Okanagan Similkameen Parks Society

OT: occupational therapist

P.2d: Pacific Reporter Second Series

p.m.: post meridiem (after noon)

P.R.: Puerto Rico

p: page

Pa.: Pennsylvania

PAC: Public Advisory Committee

PAC: Political Action Committee

PAC: Packaging Association of Canada

PACT: Protected Areas Coordinating Team

PAH: polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbon

PAL: prime agricultural land

para.: Paragraph

PAS: Protected Areas Strategy (B.C.)

PC: personal computer

PC: politically correct

PC: Privy Council

PC: Progressive Conservative

PCBs: Polychlorinated Biphenyls

PCDD: polychlorinated di-benzo-p dioxins

PCDF: polychlorinated di-benzo-p furans

PCJ: Privy Council - Justice

PCMCIA: Personal Computer Memory Card International Association

PCP: Pentachlorophenol

PCPA: Pest Control Products Act (Canada)

PCR: polymerase chain reaction

PCS: Personal Communications Services

PCSD: President's Council on Sustainable Development

pd: per diem (per day)

PDR: purchase of development rights

PEA: Professional Employees Association

PELs: Permissible Exposure Limits

pH: a measure of alkaline vs. acidity (where 0 is very acidic, 7 is very base, and 3.5 is neutral)

PIRG: Public Interest Research Group

PMAO: Pest Management Alternatives Office

PMN: Premanufacture Notifications

PMO: Prime Minister's Office

POC: Projects Outside Canada

POGG: Peace, Order and Good Government

POP: persistent organic pollutant

POTS: plain old telephone service

POTWs: Publicly Owned Treatment Works

pp: pages

PP: polluter pays

PP: pollution prevention

PPA: Pollution Prevention Act

PPCG: Pollution Prevention and Control Group (OECD)

PPEC: Paper Recycling Mills of Canada

PPER: Pulp and Paper Effluent Regulations (under the Fisheries Act -- Canada)

PPL: Protection of Private Land

PPP: polluter pays principle

PPRC: PacificNorthwest Pollution Prevention Research Center

PPWC: Pulp, Paper and Woodworkers of Canada

PRI: Pollutant Release Inventory (US)

PRPs: Potentially Responsible Parties

PS: post script

PSAC: Public Service Alliance of Canada

PSD: Prevention of Significant Deterioration

PSL: Priority Substances List (under CEPA)

PST: Provincial Sales Tax

pt.: Part

PTS: persistent, toxic substance

Pub. L.: Public Law

PUC: public utility commission

PUP: Park Use Permit

PURDS: Park Use Related Data System (Environment Canada Database)

PURPA: Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978

PV: photovoltaic

Q&A: question and answer

QAQC: quality assurance, quality control

QC: Queen's Counsel

QED: quad est demonstratum (it is proven)

QELC: Quebec Environmental Law Centre

QoS: quality of service

QWERTY: conventional keyboard (named after the row of keys above the home row)

R.I.: Rhode Island

R: Regina (The Queen)

RA: responsible authority

RAC: Recycling Advisory Council (USA)

RAC: Regulatory Advisory Committee (Canadian Environmental Assessment Act)

RAI: request for additional information

RAM: random access memory

RAP: Regional Action Plan (CEC)

RARE: Roadless Area Review and Evaluation

RCRA: Resource Conservation and Recovery Act Rev.: Revised or Review

REDIS: Residual Discharge Inventory System (Environment Canada Database)

RFI: Resources Futures International (consulting firm)

RFP: request for proposals

RI/FS: Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study

RIC: Resource Inventory Committee

RM: Regional Manager

RM: regional municipality

RMI: Rocky Mountain Institute

ROC: Rest of Canada (not Quebec)

ROD: Record of Decision

ROW: right of way

RPAT: Regional Protected Areas Teams

RPM: Remedial Project Manager

RRMS: Regional Resource Management Committees (Government of B.C.)

RRRR: Four R's of waste management (Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, and Recover)

RSA: Revised Statutes of Alberta

RSBC: Revised Statutes of British Columbia

RSC: Revised Statutes of Canada

RSC: Royal Society of Canada

RSI: repetitive strain injury

RSM: Revised Statutes of Manitoba

RSO: Revised Statutes of Ontario

RUST: Register of Underground Storage Tanks and Systems on Federal Property (Environment Canada Database)

S.C.: South Carolina

S.D.: South Dakota

S.E.2d: South Eastern Reporter Second Series

S.W.2d: South Western Reporter Second Series

S: South (SE Southeast, SSE South-Southeast, etc.)

SAGIT: sectoral advisory group on international trade

SAIT: Southern Alberta Institute of Technology

SARA: Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act

SARE: Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education

SBC: Sport BC

SBC: Statutes of British Columbia

SC: Statutes of Canada

SCAP: sustainable consumption and production (Agenda 21, ch.4)

SCC: Supreme Court of Canada

SCN: Sustainable Communications Network

SCR: Supreme Court Reports

SCS: Soil Conservation Service

SD: sustainable development

SDS: sustainable development strategy

SDWA: Safe Drinking Water Act

SEATO: South East Asia Treaty Organization

sec.: Section

SEC: Securities Exchange Corporation

SEPA: State Environmental Policy Act (USA - Washington)

SERCs: State Emergency Response Commissions

SERM: Saskatchewan Department of Environment and Resource Management

SFU: Simon Fraser University

SIG: special interest group

SIM: Society of Information Management

SIP: State Implementation Plan

SLDF: Sierra Legal Defence Fund

SM: Statutes of Manitoba

SMCEA: Senior Managers Committee on Environmental Assessment (Canada, federal government)

SMCRA: Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act

SNAFU: Situation Normal; All F****d Up

SNUR: Significant New Use Regulation

So. 2d: Southern Reporter Second Series

SO: Statutes of Ontario

SO: Southern Oscillation

SO₂: Sulphur Dioxide

SOCAN: Society of Composers, Authors and Music Publishers of Canada

Socred: Social Credit Party

SOERA: State of the Environment Report Act (Saskatchewan)

SOP: Strategic Options Process

SOPR: Statement of Political Relationship

SOR: Statutes, Orders and Regulations

SPCC: Spill Prevention Control Countermeasure

SPEC: Society Promoting Environmental Conservation

sq km: square kilometres

sq m: square metres

SRMZ: Special Resource Management Zone (BC)

SST: sea surface temperature

SSTA: sea surface temperature anomaly

SSHRC: Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council

STAR: Great Lakes Water Quality Database (Environment Canada Database)

Stat.: United States Statutes at Large or Statutes

Superfund: See: CERCLA

SVE: soil vapour extraction

SW: single window

SWDA: Solid Waste Disposal Act

SWMU: Solid Waste Management Unit

TAGS: The Atlantic Groundfish Strategy

TCLP: Toxicity Characteristic Leaching Procedure

TD: Trial Division of Federal Court of Canada

TDGA: Transportation of Dangerous Goods Act (British Columbia)

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TDR: Transferable Development Rights

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TED: toxicity equivalence factor

TEDs: Turtle Excluder Devices

TEF: toxicity equivalence factor

TEK: traditional ecological knowledge

Tenn.: Tennessee

Tex.: Texas

TIAS: Treaties and Other International Acts Series

TIES: Turtle Island Earth Stewards

TMDL: Total Maximum Daily Load

TNAC: Treaty Negotiation Advisory Committee (Canada)

TNCI: The Nature Conservancy International

TQM: total quality management

TRI: Toxic Release Inventory

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TRL: total rural land

TSCA: Toxic Substances Control Act (US)

TSD: Treatment, Storage or Disposal

TSR: timber supply review

TUR: Toxic Use Reduction

TVA: Tennessee Valley Authority

TWU: Telecommunications Workers Union (Canada)

U of A: University of Alberta

UBC: University of British Columbia

UBCM: Union of British Columbia Municipalities

UC: University of California

UCB: University of California at Berkeley

UCD: University of California at Davis

UCR: urban centered region

UCS: university computer services

UDI: Urban Development Institute (BC)

UIC: Underground Injection Control

UK: United Kingdom

UKTS: United Kingdom Treaty Series

UMTRCA: Uranium Mill Tailings Radiation Control Act of 1978

UN-ECE: United Nations - Economic Commission on Europe

UN: United Nations

UN: United Nations

UNBC: University of Northern British Columbia

UNCED: United Nations Conference on Environment and Development

UNCLOS: United Nations Conference on the Law of the Sea

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UNCTAD: United Nations Conference on Trade and Development

UNDP: United Nations Development Programme

UNEP: United Nations Environment Programme

UNESCO: United Nation Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization

UNFCCC: United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change

UNFPA: United Nations Fund for Population Activities

UNICEF: United Nations International Childrens' Emergency Fund

UNIDO: United Nations Industrial Development Organization

UNITAR: United Nation Institute for Training and Research

UNRIAA: United Nations Reports of International Arbitral Awards

UNTS: United Nations Treaty Series

US Cong & Adm News: United States Congressional and Administrative News

US Const: United States Constitution

US Digest: United States Digest of International Law

US: United States Supreme Court Reports

USAID: United States Agency for International Development

USC: United States Code

USDA: United States Department of Agriculture

USF&WS: United States Fish & Wildlife Service

USFS: United States Forest Service

USGS: U.S. Geological Survey

USLW: United States Law Week

USSR: Union of Soviet Republics

UST: United States Treaties and Other International Agreements

USTs: Underground Storage Tanks

UTM: Universal Transverse Mercator

UV: ultraviolet

UVic: University of Victoria

v.: versus

V.I.: Virgin Islands

Va.: Virginia

VAT: Value Added Tax

VMREU: Vancouver Municipal Employees' Union

VNHS: Vancouver Natural History Society

VOCs: Volatile Organic Compounds

VQO: visual quality objectives

VRFA: Vancouver Regional Freenet Association

Vt.: Vermont

VTRAC: Vancouver Temperate Rainforest Coalition

W. Va.: West Virginia

W: West

WA: Western Australia

Wash.: Washington

WBCSD: World Business Council for Sustainable Development

WCB: Workers' Compensation Board

WETG: Wood Energy Technical Group

WETT: Wood Energy Technical Training

WHMIS: Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System

WHO: World Health Organization

Wis.: Wisconsin

WMA: Waste Management Act

WMI: Whitehorse Mining Initiative

WMO: World Meteorological Organization

WP: WordPerfect

WQO: water quality objective

WRAP: waste reduction and prevention

WRC: Waste Reduction Commission (BC)

WRP: Wetlands Reserve Program

WRT: with respect to

WTO: World Trade Organization

WWF: World Wildlife Federation

WWR: Western Weekly Reports

WWW: World Wide Web

Wyo.: Wyoming