

“Pre-Midterm” Assignment
(Due Next Monday, February 28, 2005)

Prepare brief summaries (about a paragraph each) of 10 recent accidents. You can obtain this information from the articles you have been clipping so far this term (preferred), from Internet newspaper archives, and from the National Transportation Safety Board (<http://www.nts.gov>). Try to use a selection of these sources. Document the sources of the information. I would like these accidents to be mostly from the past two years, and mostly regional. However, do go beyond these bounds somewhat so you can see what is out there.

I would like you to prepare brief descriptions of these accidents, including chemical involved, site description, and any additional evaluation information that may be available. These paragraphs will include a list of the material involved in the accidents, and any information concerning the amounts of material lost, the damage and effects caused, etc. Specifically, we need to know if enough information is available to enable more complete evaluations (based on the information we have studied from the class text).