



## EXAMPLE PROJECT

### Statewide Environmental Services Contract

QE<sup>2</sup> provides the State of Tennessee a wide range of environmental services; including hazardous materials assessment, consulting, planning, handling and abatement; indoor air quality investigations and abatement, emergency response, managing the state storage tank program, NEPA services; and environmental compliance activities. These services are provided to the following state agencies:

- Finance and Administration
- TDOT; Correction;
- Board of Regents;
- Economic and Community Development;
- Agriculture;
- Environment & Conservation;
- Human Services;
- Children’s Services;
- Mental Health & Disabilities Development;
- Education;
- Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency; and
- Labor & Workforce Development.

Often times, jobsite work has to be coordinated between several of these state agencies because the work occurs in buildings where different agencies’ offices are housed. Hazardous materials work is conducted for various state agencies under this Contract and has included such projects as removal of PCB-containing fluorescent light ballasts from an illegal dump site located on a TDOT right-of way; assessment and abatement of lead-based paint at the Tennessee Residence, and conducting a survey of hazardous substances at the Bowld and Dobbs Hospitals in Memphis, to name but a few.

The work conducted under this contract falls into four broad categories: hazardous materials, underground storage tanks, indoor air quality, and NEPA and associated work. A program director was assigned to each of the four categories in order to assure the best-suited staff members were available to exercise their expertise. Each program manager can draw staff professionals as necessary to assist with field work, data analysis, report writing, etc. Because the work conducted under this contract is truly state-wide in scope, three subcontractors in various regions of the state were selected to help ensure state-wide coverage and minimize mobilization costs.



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Providing quick and accurate public information throughout the population of people potentially affected by the issue is critical to controlling people's reactions. In some cases, knowledge of the issues is transmitted to the media or to the Tennessee Occupational Safety and Health Administration, and media coordination and providing proper information is required. The Statewide Environmental Services Contract typically generates above \$4 million in revenues each year, with around \$500,000 being spent on hazardous materials projects.