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TABLE OF POTENTIALLY REGULATED ENTITIES

This table is not intended to be exhaustive, but rather provides a guide for readers regarding entities likely to be regulated under 40 CFR part 68. This table lists the types of entities that EPA is now aware could potentially be regulated by this rule and covered by this document. Other types of entities not listed in this table could also be affected. To determine whether your facility is covered by the risk management program rules in part 68, you should carefully examine the applicability criteria discussed in Chapter 1 of this guidance and in 40 CFR 68.10, which is available in Appendix A of this document. If you have questions regarding the applicability of this rule to a particular entity, call the EPCRA/CAA Hotline at (800) 424-9346 (TDD: (800) 553-7672)(see Appendix C, Technical Assistance, for other sources of information).

Category	NAICS Codes	SIC Codes	Examples of Potentially Regulated Entities
Warehouses	49311 49312 49319	4225 4222 4226	General warehousing and storage Refrigerated warehousing Other warehousing and storage

