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This 2025–2026 Edition of *State and Local Government Environmental Liability* includes updated coverage throughout the treatise of recent legislative and regulatory actions. The new 2025–2026 Edition includes:

- Updated information regarding the application of the Clean Air Act’s “Good Neighbor Provision” and the stay of the rule by the United States Supreme Court;
- Update on the increase in administrative and civil penalties recoverable under the Clean Water Act;
- Update on the implementation of an Executive Order freezing all pending regulations associated with The Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act;
- Update on new limits on certain PFAS substances under the Safe Drinking Water Act including a delay to the compliance deadline for achieving PFAS standards.

Dedication

This book is dedicated to my children, Danny and Serafima, and my grandsons, Sam and Karl.

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