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INTERSTITIAL MONITORING RECORD-KEEPING REQUIREMENTS

A very common violation seen by LDEQ is the lack of monthly release detection records for tanks and piping. UST regulations require UST owners and operators to keep three years of monthly release detection records, regardless of the type of release detection conducted, including interstitial monitoring.

Interstitial monitoring can be conducted either continuously with tank and sump sensors, or manually by visual observations of sumps. Regardless of the type of interstitial monitoring conducted, monthly release detection records must be kept.

Interstitial monitoring can be conducted continuously with interstitial tank sensors for the tanks and sump sensors for the piping. Ideally, the ATG or console used should keep a record that the sensors are in communication with the console (sensor normal records or all functions normal records). These records are easily retrieved from the console. In the case that

these records are not available, LDEQ will accept a written monthly record or handwritten log showing that someone looked at the console at least once every 30 days and verified that the console displayed the “all functions normal” or “sensor normal” messages. This record must include the date of the verification, the initials or signature of the person performed the verification, and an indication that no alarm messages were indicated and the system was working properly.

Interstitial monitoring can be conducted manually by visually inspecting containment sumps for releases at least once every 30 days. Manual interstitial monitoring records must include an identifier or description of each sump inspected, the date of the inspection, the initials or signature of the person performing the inspection, an indication if there is any product or water in the sump, and comments regarding any corrective action taken in response to product or water in the sump.

For answers to specific questions or further clarification of these requirements, please contact Sam Broussard at samuel.broussard@la.gov or by phone at (337)262-5744.

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Coming Soon: Final Revision to Closure Guidance Document; Spotlight on Remedial Methods; UST Contract Information – Abandoned UST Program

UST CERTIFIED WORKER EXAM SCHEDULE 2009

DATE AND TIME	REGION	LOCATION
November 5 Installation/Repair 8:30AM Closure 1:30PM	SWRO	1301 Gadwall St. (Map) Lake Charles, LA

CONTINUING EDUCATION AT LSWA CONFERENCE

The Louisiana Solid Waste Association Conference will be held March 25-26, 2010 at the Cajun Dome in Lafayette, LA. The LDEQ Underground Storage Tank Division will offer eight (8) hours of Continuing Education Units to UST Certified Workers who attend all of the UST sessions. For questions regarding continuing education, contact Verretta Johnson at (225) 219-3437 or by e-mail at verretta.johnson@la.gov.

XP SCHOOL SCHEDULE 2009

DATE AND TIME	REGION	LOCATION
November 12 8:00AM – 12:00PM	SERO	LA Technical College (Map) Alexandria Campus Conference Center

What is XP? Click [here](#) for more information.

PROPOSED UST OPERATOR TRAINING REGULATIONS AVAILABLE FOR REVIEW

The proposed LDEQ UST Operator Training Regulations (UT017) is available for review on the LDEQ website at <http://www.deq.louisiana.gov/portal/tabid/2920/Default.aspx>.

The proposed regulations will be published in the Louisiana Register and the comment period will begin on September 20, 2009. The LDEQ public hearing date is schedule on October 29, 2009, and the comment period will end on November 5, 2009. The projected final date of this rule is January 20, 2010.

CONTRACT INFORMATION: UST REMOVAL PROGRAM – GAINES GULF

It would be easy to overlook the Gaines Gulf site at the corner of Hwy. 10 and Court Street in New Roads, LA. The vacant lot across from Rosenwald Elementary was once a gas station, auto repair facility, car wash, and restaurant. The building was torn down in early 2002, and the dispensers were removed. However, three USTs and a hydraulic lift remained in a state of neglect.

The conditions at Gaines Gulf were ranked and prioritized by LDEQ regional staff and determined to meet the criteria of an abandoned motor fuel UST site. The site was then placed into LDEQ's UST removal program.

LDEQ sought out the services of a certified UST contractor to perform the UST closure activities at Gaines Gulf. Closure activities included the permanent closure and removal of the three USTs and one hydraulic lift, and excavation at the former dispenser island. Closure activities were completed in August 2009. LDEQ will be placing a lien on this property for the costs expended by the State to close the site. To learn more about the UST Removal Program and its eligibility requirements, contact us at [DEQ-
wwwUST@LA.gov](mailto:DEQ-wwwUST@LA.gov)

UST RULE UPDATES AND CHANGES

Rule	Effective Date	View the Rule Changes
Method of Payment	Proposed	LAC 33:XI. 307
Interstitial Monitoring Requirement for Emergency Power Generator UST Systems	Final 8/20/2009	LAC 33:XI.101 and 303
Baton Rouge Area Ozone Attainment Demonstration State Implementation Plan Revision	Potpourri	0908Pot2
Baton Rouge Area Redesignation Request and 1997 8-Hour Ozone Maintenance Plan	Potpourri	0908Pot 3
Training Requirements for Underground Storage Tank System Operators	Proposed	LAC 33:XI.601, 603, 605, 609, and 611
Miscellaneous Corrections	Final 9/20/2009	LAC 33:XI.1121