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INTERIOR LINING INSPECTION REQUIREMENTS AND ALTERNATIVES

In order to meet the 1998 corrosion protection upgrade requirements, many UST owners opted to have their steel tanks internally lined. Internal lining was one of the corrosion protection upgrade options allowed by the EPA and LDEQ. Alternatively, owners could opt to either install a corrosion protection system to the tank exterior (anodes or impressed current systems), or to have a combination of external corrosion protection and internal lining.

In tanks upgraded solely by the addition of internal liners, the UST regulations require inspection of the internal liners 10 years after installation, and every 5 years thereafter. To remain compliant, UST owners may either have the internal lining inspected or add corrosion protection to the tank exterior.

A tank integrity assessment must be performed when external corrosion protection is added to a tank which is more than 10 years old. Tank integrity assessment options include physically entering the tank to inspect the interior (physically or with a camera), or using an alternative method to calculate (using soil parameters and tank age) whether the tank is corroding.

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COMING SOON

Contract Information – Abandoned UST Program; Updated Closure Guidance Document

On May 29, 2008, LDEQ allowed a third alternative integrity method called the Louisiana Alternative Assessment Method (LAAP) to be implemented. LAAP consists of performing a precision tightness test of the corrosion protection system prior to installation and 3 to 6 months thereafter. Tank tightness testing must then be performed annually.

For additional information regarding corrosion protection, lining inspections, and allowable tank integrity methods, click [here](#) to view Frequently Asked Questions on the UST webpage. For answers to specific questions or further clarification of these regulations, please contact Sam Broussard at samuel.broussard@la.gov or by phone at (337)262-5744.

UST CERTIFIED WORKER EXAM SCHEDULE 2009

DATE AND TIME	REGION	LOCATION
July 9 Installation/Repair 8:30AM Closure 1:30PM	NWRO	1525 Fairfield, Rm. 520 (Map) Shreveport, LA 71101

REVISIONS TO UST CLOSURE GUIDANCE DOCUMENT IN PROGRESS

LDEQ is in the process of updating and revising the Underground Storage Tank Closure/Change-In-Service Guidance Document. Proposed revisions were recently presented at the LSWA Conference on March 26-27, 2009. Click [here](#) to view the current version of the UST Closure Guidance Document dated October 20, 2003.

Any ideas, suggestions, or comments regarding revisions to the Closure Guidance document should be directed to Sam Broussard at samuel.broussard@la.gov or (337)262-5744.

STARS REPORT

The following Strategic Targeted Activities for Results System (STARS) data was reported to EPA Region 6 in the Mid-Year 2009 STARS Report:

Total Number of Active Petroleum USTs Regulated Under Subtitle I	12,413
Total Number of USTs Registered Oct 2008 – March 2009	116
Total Number of USTs Permanently Closed (Oct 2008 – March 2009)	249
Percentage of UST Facilities in Significant Operational Compliance with UST Release Prevention	86%
Percentage of UST Facilities in Significant Operational Compliance with UST Release Detection	81%
Percentage of UST Facilities in Significant Operational Compliance with UST Release Prevention and Release Detection	68%
Number of On-Site Compliance Inspections Conducted (Oct 2008 – March 2009)	515
Number of Facilities Identified as Ineligible for Delivery, Deposit, or Acceptance of Product (Oct 2008 – March 2009)	2
Number of Confirmed Releases (Oct 2008 – March 2009)	187
Number of Clean Ups Completed (Oct 2008 – March 2009)	181
Number of Emergency Responses (UST) (Oct 2008 – March 2009)	4

UST FORMS

Periodically, the UST Division updates all forms which are submitted by UST owner/operators, RACs, and UST Certified Workers. Outdated forms are frequently

rejected, which delays processes like registration, installation, and closure. While some forms can be found on the DEQ website, multi-part forms such as the UST Notice of Intent and the UST Closure/Assessment forms are available from [LDEQ Regional Offices](#).

HELPFUL DOCUMENT LINKS:

- [Installation/Upgrade/Renovation Form](#)
- [UST Registration Form \(REG-01\)](#)
- [UST Registration of Technical Requirements \(REG-02\)](#)
- [UST Submittal Information](#)

ANNUAL REGISTRATION CERTIFICATES

The 2009 UST Registration Certificates will expire on June 30, 2009. Invoices for UST Annual Registration Fees were mailed to all owner/operators in March. If you have not received your UST invoice (For fiscal period 07-2008/06-2009) for your FY2010 certificate of registration, please contact the Underground Storage Tank Division at [__DEQ-wwwUST@LA.gov](mailto:DEQ-wwwUST@LA.gov) to make sure that your registration information is up to date. If any registration information has changed, you are required to submit an amended registration form ([UST REG-01](#)) to notify LDEQ’s UST Division of these changes within 30 days. Certificates will not be issued to facilities with outstanding registration fees.

XP SCHOOL SCHEDULE 2009

DATE AND TIME	REGION	LOCATION
May 13 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM	ARO/ SWRO	Acadia Parish Agricultural Extension Service Office (Map)
June 10 1:00PM – 5:00 PM	CRO	LA DEQ (Map) Galvez Building
June 17 8:00AM - 12:00PM	NERO	LA Technical College (Map) Alexandria Campus Conference Center
July 8 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM	SERO	LA Technical College (Map) Jefferson Campus Room 16

