



ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

Governor Jane Dee Hull

Russell F. Rhoades, Director

October 13, 1998

RE: NOTIFICATION OF UPGRADING UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANKS

Dear Certified Service Provider:

Beginning **October 26, 1998**, the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ) is requesting that a Notification of Upgrading Underground Storage Tanks form be completed for all existing tank systems being **UPGRADED** or **RETROFITTED** to meet the December 22, 1998 requirements. The Notification of Upgrading Underground Storage Tanks form must be completed by the certified service providers who performed the upgrade or retrofit activity. The upgrading or retrofitting activities may include one or more of the following:

1. Assessing the tank(s) for corrosion holes and structural integrity prior to the addition of cathodic protection.
2. Adding cathodic protection to tank(s) and/or piping.
3. Lining the interior of tanks.
4. Installing spill and/or overfill prevention equipment on tank(s).
5. Replacing the product piping.

For existing USTs, the requirement to complete the upgrade form is in addition to completing the Notification for Underground Storage Tanks form. Once the ADEQ is notified of an upgrading or retrofitting activity by submittal of a Notification for Underground Storage Tank Form, the submittal of a Notification of Upgrading Underground Storage Tanks form will be requested if one was not submitted.

The form consists of three sections: 1) Facility Information, 2) Corrosion Protection, and 3) Tanks Retrofitted with Spill and Overfill Prevention Equipment and Piping Replacement. The service provider is required to complete and certify only the sections that apply to his/her activity. If corrosion protection in the form of cathodic protection has been applied to the tank, then the corrosion expert responsible for designing the cathodic protection system must complete the section applicable to his/her activity.

Copies of the forms may be requested by calling the UST Help Desk, toll free at (800) 234-5677, extension (4255) or (602) 207-4255, or by visiting our website at www.adeq.state.az.us.

Sincerely,

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