

New UST Rules

Missouri's Department of Natural Resources is in the final phases of formally proposing changes to its UST rules. A cost-benefit analysis, known as a "Regulatory Impact Report," was released on July 20.

Formal publication of the draft rules in the *Missouri Register* is expected on September 15, after which written public comments will be received through

October 27. Comments may also be offered at a public hearing to be held by the Hazardous Waste Management Commission on October 20, 2016.

The proposed new rules are complex and will affect all UST owners. For more information, see <http://dnr.mo.gov/env/hwp/ustchanges.htm>.

EPA Agrees: ULSD is Corroding Tank Systems

In January 2013, *Latest Leaks* alerted tank owners to unusual corrosion occurring in ultra-low diesel tank systems. A second article followed in May 2014.

Last month, EPA published results of its investigation into the matter, concluding that "moderate or severe corrosion on metal components in UST systems storing diesel fuel in the United States could be a very common occurrence.... [C]orrosion may be commonly severe on metal surfaces in the upper vapor space...an area...not known to be prone to corrosion.... This could be a widespread and potentially significant problem for owners..." See www.epa.gov/ust/alternative-fuels-and-underground-storage-tanks-usts#tab-5.

More research is planned.



Guidance on What PSTIF Pays

A new document has been published to help tank owners, contractors, and environmental consultants better understand what costs the PSTIF typically recognizes as eligible expenses during tank removal projects, when tanks are closed in place, or when an "assessment" is required because an underground tank has been empty for some time. The new guidance document is at www.pstif.org/claims.html.



Good Job!

Missouri's UST owners and operators have again demonstrated their diligence. More than 76% of you have already documented compliance with the operator training rule. Thank you!



Insured UST owners and operators who do not send their training certificates to the PSTIF office will be required to provide the requested documents during their next insurance renewal.

Biofuel Labels

Effective August 30, Missouri will have new labeling requirements for dispensers where ethanol blends *greater than 10%* or diesel fuel with *more than 5% biomass* are sold.

The new state rules match Federal Trade Commission rules. Inspectors from Missouri's Weights, Measures and Consumer Protection Division will enforce the new labeling requirement. For information, call 573-751-2922.

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