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CT ACHMM President's Message



I hope you all had an enjoyable year, so far. We have some great plans for the Chapter. The Chapter is planning three General Membership meetings and there are the Board meetings that are open to all members.

I would like to thank our past president Matt Twerdy for all of his hard work and dedication to the Connecticut Chapter over the past 3 years. Under Matt's Leadership the Chapter has maintained Chapter incorporated status in Connecticut as the "Connecticut Chapter of CHMM, Inc.", participation at the General membership meetings increased, and something that has been important to us in the electronic world – paying our dues and general membership meetings online.

We will continue the development of the CHMM credential and keep you informed about new regulations. The Board is keeping watch over the Modification of the General Permit for Miscellaneous Discharges of Sewer Compatible (MISC) Wastewater, and Re-issuance of Certain Other General Permits. A summary of the changes will be in the newsletter, following the DEEP approved notification.

Hope to see you all at the next General Membership meeting in September.

Laura Zadrick

UST Program Changes



UST Regulation Amendment

There have been two significant changes to the Connecticut Underground Storage Tank Requirements. Just issued CTDEEP Underground Storage Tank regulations (RCSA 22a-449(d)-101 et seq.) require each UST Facility (federally regulated non-onsite heating oil tanks) to have Class A, B and C Operators. Federally regulated USTs include those containing gasoline, diesel, waste oil, and heating oil storage for resale. These regulations were promulgated to comply with the Federal Energy Policy Act of 2005.

The Class A Operator has overall regulatory responsibility for the UST program, Class B Operators have regulatory responsibility for the operation of the USTs, and Class C Operators are to be familiar with the UST system, alarm panels and proper response to different alarms. Class A and B Operators have to pass an International Code Council Exam. A Class C operator can be trained by a Class A or B operator.

The name(s) of Class A and B Operators have to be submitted to CTDEEP on the form at: http://www.ct.gov/dep/lib/dep/underground_storage_tanks/statement_of_training.pdf

The form, which has to be completed for each tank, has to be signed by the Facility Owner or Operator.

The regulation also implements requirements for new UST installations, including leak-proof piping sumps and under-dispenser containment, monthly tank inspections, and expands the definition of regulated substances.

The deadline for complying with this regulation was August 8, 2012, which was only two months after regulation issuance, due to delays in finalization.

Phase-out of Financial Assurance Requirements

June's special session passed Public Act 12-1, ***AN ACT IMPLEMENTING PROVISIONS OF THE STATE BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2012***. Section 263 of the Act addresses the elimination of the underground storage tank petroleum clean-up program financial assurance mechanism. See:

<http://www.cga.ct.gov/2012/ACT/PA/2012PA-00001-R00HB-06001SS2-PA.htm>

Financial Assurance is required for "federally regulated" USTs impacted by the regulation amendment discussed above. Financial assurance of \$500,000 per occurrence and \$1,000,000 annual aggregate for potential corrective action in response to a release, and for third party bodily injury / property damage can be provided by a variety of mechanisms such as a financial guarantee, surety bond, liability insurance, or by a state mechanism, which is presently the UST petroleum storage tank clean-up program.

The Act indicates persons who operate USTs on 1 to 5 separate parcels of real property can use the clean-up program as financial assurance up to October 1, 2013. Persons who operate USTs on more than five separate parcels of real property can use the program up to October 1, 2012.

Construction Stormwater Permit



The CTDEEP has proposed extending the existing Construction Stormwater General Permit until September 30, 2013. The General Permit is set to expire September 30, 2012. CTDEEP is in the process of modifying this General Permit and this extension of the existing Permit will allow

these modifications to be completed. See:

http://www.ct.gov/dep/cwp/view.asp?a=2586&Q=510210&depNav_GID=1511

for more information.

Upcoming CTDEEP Public Hearings

Proposed revised Remediation Standard Regulations

A Public Hearing is scheduled for October 25, at 1:00, at the Phoenix Room, CTDEEP, 79 Elm Street, Hartford, CT. There will be a public information session September 25 at 1:30 at the same location

Proposed Nitrogen Oxides Emissions Regulations

A Public Hearing is scheduled for October 18, 2012 regarding revisions to 22a-174-22.

Recent Chapter Meeting

Twenty-one people attended the most recent Chapter General Membership Meeting, which was held on June 27th at Arcadis US, Inc, in Manchester, CT. Robert A. Stewart, Ph. D., CPG, LEP presented a talk on "When Phase I Environmental Site Assessments go South, and the Principle of Unintended Outcomes." Dr. Stewart's presentation underscored the importance of a complete and thorough ESA, and the problems and liabilities for the property purchaser as well as the consultant, which can be caused by an incomplete assessment. The Chapter thanks both Dr. Stewart, and Nick Zackeo of Arcadis for coordinating this talk. The presentation was followed by refreshments and dinner at TullyCross Tavern.

Upcoming Chapter Meeting

The next General Membership meeting will be September 25th, at Baystate Medical Center in Springfield, MA. There will be a presentation on the Healthcare Green Building standard vs. LEED standards, followed by a tour of a new Green Building at the Center. A meeting announcement with sign-up information will be distributed shortly.