Cal/EPA RELEASES INFORMATION PACKET ON UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK COMPLIANCE DEADLINE

SACRAMENTO – Stressing California’s protection of the environment, while recognizing the financial commitment made by gas station operators large and small statewide, Peter M. Rooney, Secretary for Environmental Protection today released an information packet about the California Underground Storage Tank (UST) Replacement Program deadline of December 22, 1998.

The information packet contains the following:

- Cal/EPA policy memorandum to petroleum dealers, distributors, and carriers dated December 22, 1998
- Frequently Asked Questions Regarding the UST Upgrade Program, information sheet
- Air Resources Board Advisory, No. 170, dated December 22, 1998
- ARB Certified Integral Aboveground Tank Cost and Availability data sheet
- ARB Certified Integral Aboveground Tank Vapor Recovery Systems data sheet
- SB 913 (Kelley)

State Office of Emergency Services (OES) staff is contacting local OES offices to identify local
fuel supply emergencies. The California Energy Commission will work with OES to evaluate any local fuel supply emergency. Persons wishing to report fuel supply emergencies should first contact their local OES office (number listed in the front of their local phone book) or the Energy Commission at (916) 654-4838.

Questions regarding this packet and operation of the program should be directed to Allan Patton, Underground Tank Program Coordinator, State Water Resources Control Board at (916) 227-4351, fax (916) 227-4349, or access the SWRCB’s web site at http://www.swrcb.ca.gov and click on ‘underground tanks’. Further information can also be found on the Cal/EPA web site at http://www.calepa.ca.gov.