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To: Local Agencies

UPDATED IMPLEMENTATION OF CONTACT HOURS FOR RENEWAL OF CALIFORNIA UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK INSPECTOR INTERNATIONAL CODE COUNCIL CERTIFICATION

The California Code of Regulations (CCR) requires local agency inspectors conducting underground storage tank (UST) inspections to have a current inspector certificate from the International Code Council (ICC). The ICC certification is only valid for 24 months after the date of issue. A local agency Inspector, or Special Inspector, must renew the certification to continue to perform UST inspections.

Specifically, §2715(g) of Title 23, CCR states these individuals shall renew the California inspector certificate every 24 months, by either passing the ICC California UST Inspector exam or satisfying equivalent criteria as approved by the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board), Division of Water Quality UST Program Manager.

The State Water Board, UST Steering Committee, and CUPA Forum Board strongly support continuing education as a means of professional development for local agency UST Inspectors and Special Inspectors.

The enclosed, Implementation of Continuing Education Contact Hours for Renewal of California UST Inspector ICC Certification (Rev. 2019), provides local agency inspectors with the method for “satisfying equivalent criteria” for renewal of the California UST Inspector ICC Certification, as approved by the Division of Water Quality UST Program Manager. The ICC CA UST Inspector Continuing Education Activity form has been enclosed for local UST inspectors to record and document proper training that qualifies as contact hours. Additionally, the ICC California UST Inspector Application for Certification Renewal has been enclosed as a courtesy for local agency inspectors, and can also be found at the ICC website www.iccsafe.org.

If there are further questions regarding the designated operator requirements, please contact UST Leak Prevention Unit staff. (https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/ust/contacts/ust_staff.shtml).

Sincerely,

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Attachments: see next page
Attachment 1: Implementation of Continuing Education Contact Hours for Renewal of California UST Inspector ICC Certification
Attachment 2: Appendix 1 - ICC California UST Inspector Application for Certification Renewal
Attachment 3: Appendix 2 - ICC CA UST Inspector Continuing Education Activity