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## State Water Resources Control Board

September 22, 2020

**TO:** Unified Program Agencies and Interested Parties

### **AMENDED UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK REPORTING REGULATIONS**

On May 19, 2020, the State Water Resources Control Board approved amendments to the California Code of Regulations, title 23, division 3, chapter 16 (Underground Storage Tank (UST) Regulations), sections 2713 and 2716, and Appendices VI, VII, VIII, IX, XI and XIII (forms). The adopted amendments modify the reporting requirements of UST owners and operators, and Unified Program Agencies (UPAs). On August 27, 2020, the Office of Administrative Law approved the amendments to the UST Regulations and filed the amendments with the Secretary of State. The effective date of the amendments is October 1, 2020.

As amended, UST Regulations, section 2713 modifies the semi-annual reporting requirements (Report 6) to include those items as part of the United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) technical compliance rate. Additionally, this section adds a reporting requirement for UPAs to report the facilities where the annual UST compliance inspection has not been performed over the previous calendar year. Section 2716 has been modified to require the UST owner or operator to sign the designated operator visual inspection report within 72 hours of receipt, acknowledging the inspection results.

Several of the forms in regulation have been substantially modified. The communication testing requirement has been removed from the *Monitoring System Certification Form* and the *Secondary Containment Testing Report Form*. Structural changes to the forms were added to simplify use by the UST owners, operators, and UPAs and to ensure the documents were accessible to all users. These amended regulations become effective October 1, 2020, and the new forms are required for use starting on this date.

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Additional guidance documents related to these regulations and forms will become available on the [Reporting Regulations web site](https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/ust/adm_notices/repregs/index.html) ([https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water\\_issues/programs/ust/adm\\_notices/repregs/index.html](https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/ust/adm_notices/repregs/index.html)). Please contact me with any questions regarding these UST regulatory amendments at (916) 319-9128 or [Tom.Henderson@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:Tom.Henderson@waterboards.ca.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Tom Henderson", with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

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