

## **State Water Resources Control Board**

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To: Interested Parties

## ENFORCEMENT OF ELECTRONIC SUBMITTAL OF INFORMATION (ESI) REGULATORY DEADLINES

Since July 1, 2001, parties responsible for the cleanup of leaks from underground storage tank (UST) systems have been required to submit, to the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) Geotracker database over the internet, laboratory data containing soil and water analyses generated for reports required under the UST program. As of January 1, 2005, electronic submittal of information (ESI) has been required for all groundwater cleanup programs, including the UST program (Chapter 30, Division 3, of Title 23 of the California Code of Regulations (CCR)). The electronic information is intended to replace the need for a paper copy.

The following are required to be submitted electronically:

- Data generated by chemical analysis of soil, vapor, or water samples (including surface water, groundwater and influent/effluent water samples from remediation systems);
- The latitude and longitude of any permanent monitoring well for which data is reported in Electronic Deliverable Format (EDF), accurate to within 1 meter and referenced to a minimum of two reference points from the California Spatial Reference System (CSRS-H), if available;
- The surveyed elevation relative to a geodetic datum of any permanent monitoring well;
- The elevation of groundwater in any permanent monitoring well relative to the surveyed elevation;
- A site map or maps showing the location of all sampling points referred to in the report;
- The depth to the screened interval and the length of the screened interval for any permanent monitoring well;
- Boring logs, in Portable Document Format (PDF); and
- A complete copy of the report, in PDF format, which includes the signed transmittal letter and professional certification.

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Failure to comply with the ESI requirements may result in enforcement action. Pursuant to Section 25299(b)(5) of the Health and Safety Code (H&SC), any owner of an underground storage tank system shall be liable for a civil penalty of not less than five hundred dollars (\$500) or more than five thousand dollars (\$5,000) per day for each underground storage tank, for each day of violation, for violation of any applicable requirement of Chapter 6.7 of the H&SC or any regulation adopted by the State Water Board pursuant to H&SC, Section 25299.3.<sup>1</sup> In addition, failure to comply with the ESI requirements may jeopardize your Cleanup Fund reimbursement eligibility. To avoid potential enforcement action for non-compliance, the State Water Board urges all responsible parties (RPs) or authorized RP agents to electronically submit the required information into Geotracker.

Additional information on ESI can be found on our webpage at: www.waterboards.ca.gov/cwphome/ust/cleanup/electronic\_reporting/index.html.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at (916) 341-5810 or lgraves@waterboards.ca.gov or Joe Zarnoch at (916) 341-5629 or jzarnoch@waterboards.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The corrective action regulations in Article 11, Chapter 16, Division 3, of Title 23 of the CCR require submittal of monitoring data and written reports. The new regulations promulgated in Chapter 30, Division 3, of Title 23 of the CCR amended the requirements to electronic submission over the Internet into the Geotracker system.

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