THE UST SERVICE TECHNICIAN: WHAT THEY DO, AND HOW THEY DO IT

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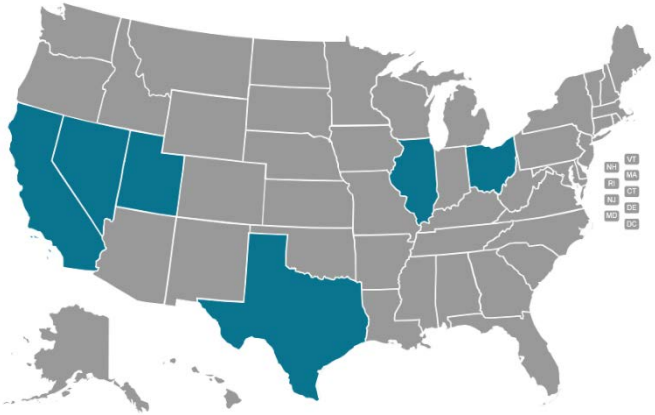
Introduction

- 1964 – TAIT & Associates - Civil Engineering & Surveying Firm
- 1980's – Regulatory oversite for USTs
- 1990's – Contamination across the U.S.
- Today – CA UST program includes tank installations, testing, monitoring, removal, and remediation in CA and nation wide.
- In addition to being a full service UST/AST contractor, TAIT also provides Engineering, Retail, Entitlements, Surveying, and Architecture services.

Introduction

- ICC Training Courses Available
  - California Designated Operator [UST System Operator]
  - California Service Technician
  - California CUPA Inspector



The Service Technician

- Repairs, replaces, and certifies components of PSTs and dispensing equipment.

The Service Technician

- Who can be a Service Technician?
  - Any person performing the work of a service technician must meet all of the following requirements:
    - Possess or be employed by a person who possesses one of the following licenses:
      - Class "A" General Engineering, C-10 Electrical, C-34 Pipeline, C-36 Plumbing, or C-61 (D40) Limited Specialty Service Station Equipment and Maintenance Contractor License, or
      - Tank testing license issued by SWRCB
    - Be trained and certified by the equipment manufacturer
    - Renew training and certifications issued by the equipment manufacturer every 36 months, or sooner if recommended by the manufacturer
    - Possess a current certificate issued by the ICC indicating the individual has passed the California UST Service Technician exam and renew the certification by passing the ICC UST Service Technician Exam every 24 months.

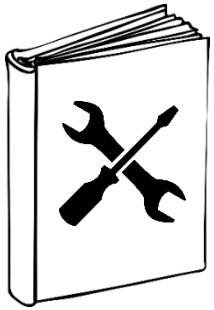
The Service Technician

- Civil and Criminal Penalties / Violations
  - Any person who:
    - Falsifies monitoring records
    - Intentionally disables or tampers with automatic leak detection system components
  - Is subject to:
    - $5,000 to $10,000 fine

      -and/or-

    - Up to one year imprisonment in county jail

The Service Technician



UST Component Review

- Petroleum Storage Tanks (PST)

Underground Storage Tank (UST)

Aboveground Storage Tank (AST)

UST Component Review

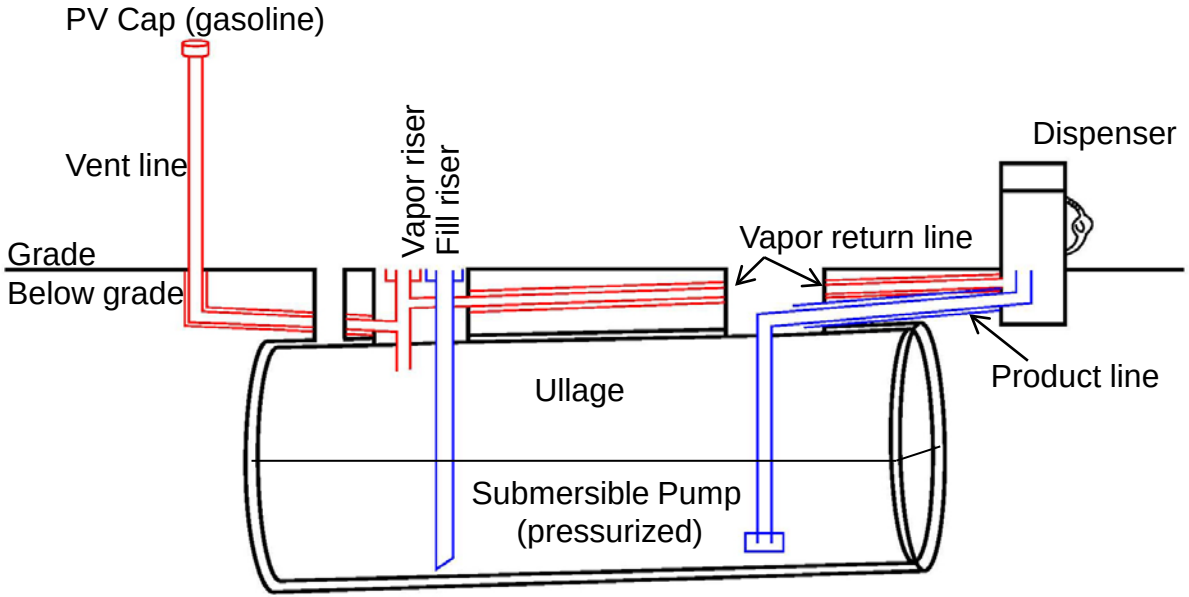
Underground Storage Tank:

"any one or combination of tanks, including pipes connected thereto, that is used for the storage of hazardous substances and that is substantially or totally beneath the surface of the ground"

The term "UST" excludes:

- Farm Tanks < 1,100 gallons
- Heating Oil Tanks < 1,100 gallons
- Septic Tanks
- Liquefied Asphalt Tanks
- A Sump, Pit, Pond, or Lagoon
- Emergency Generator Tank in Below-Grade Structure

UST Component Review

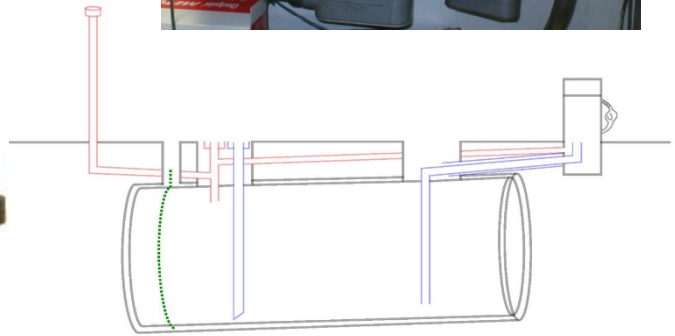


Compliance Testing & Inspections

- Spill Bucket Test
  - Required every 12 months
  - Verifies 5-gallon capacity
  - Methods
    - Accelerated/lake testing

Compliance Testing & Inspections

- Monitoring System Certification
  - Required every 12 months
  - Verifies leak detection equipment is operational



Compliance Testing & Inspections

- Overfill Prevention Equipment Inspection
  - Required every 36 months
  - Ability to confirm the overfill prevention equipment is operational

Compliance Testing & Inspections

- Secondary Containment Test
  - Required every 36 months
  - Ensures integrity of secondary containment components:
    - Outer wall of UST
    - Outer wall of piping
    - Containment sumps
    - UDC
  - Exemptions for VPH systems

Compliance Testing & Inspections

- During a test/inspection event, the service technician should also look out for:
  - Microbial growth that could affect the integrity and/or operability of the UST system

Compliance Testing & Inspections

- During a test/inspection event, the service technician should also look out for:
  - Corrosion

Compliance Testing & Inspections

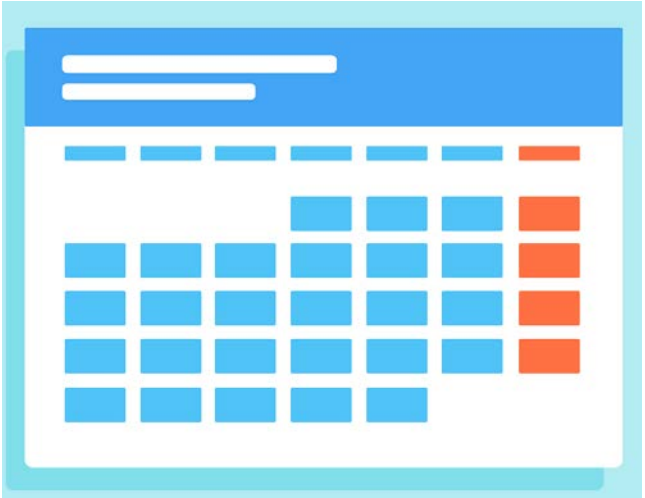
- During a test/inspection event, the service technician should also look out for:
  - Damage to the UST
  - Evidence of tampering

Repair & Upgrades

- Service technicians can make repairs to existing equipment but should also require an ICC UST Installer Certification if concrete must be broken to make the repair(s).

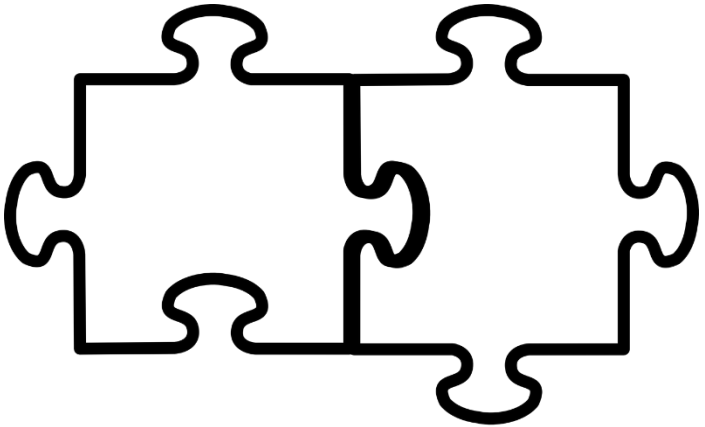
Repair & Upgrades

- Components that have been repaired must be tested for tightness within 30 days following the completion of the repair(s).



Repair & Upgrades

- Service technicians shall verify that the components being installed/repaired are compatible with the product stored in the tank.



Safety

- Hazardous Waste Operations and Emergency Response
- PPE
- Confined Space Entry
- Tool Safety
- Lifting
- Barricading

Documentation

Underground Storage Tank
Secondary Containment Testing Report Form

6. TANK SECONDARY CONTAINMENT TEST				
Test Method Developed by ☐ Manufacturer ☐ Industry Standard ☐ Professional Engineer				
Test Type ☐ Pressure ☐ Vacuum ☐ Hydrostatic				
Test Equipment Used:				
Tank ID				
Tank Manufacturer				
Tank Capacity				
Test Start Time				
Initial Reading				
Test End Time				
Final Reading				
Change in Reading				
Pass/Fail Criteria				
Tightness Test Results				
7. PIPE SECONDARY CO				

5. MONITORING SYSTEM AND PROGRAMMING		
A separate Monitoring System Certification Form must be prepared for each control panel.		
Make of Monitoring System Control Panel	Model of Monitoring System Control Panel	Software Version Installed

Attach the post-certification reports if the monitoring system is capable of generating either; ☐Monitoring System Set-up ☐ Alarm History Report	Yes	No	NA
All monitoring equipment is operational per manufacturer's specifications?	☐	☐	
Secondary containment systems are free of damage, debris, or liquid?	☐	☐	
Are the audible and visual alarms operational?	☐	☐	
All sensors have been: 1) visually inspected for wiring kinks, breaks and residual buildup on floats; and 2) tested for functionality and confirmed operational?	☐	☐	☐
Are all sensors installed to detect a release at the earliest opportunity in the secondary containment?	☐	☐	☐
The monitoring system set-up was reviewed, and proper settings confirmed?	☐	☐	☐
Was the monitoring control panel's backup battery visually inspected, functionally tested, and confirmed operational?	☐	☐	☐
Does the flow of fuel stop at the dispenser if a release is detected in the under-dispenser containment?	☐	☐	☐
Does the turbine automatically shut down if the piping secondary containment monitoring system fails to operate or is electrically disconnected?	☐	☐	☐
Does the turbine automatically shut down if the piping secondary containment monitoring system detects a release? Which sensors initiate positive shut down? (Check all that apply) ☐ Sump ☐ UDC	☐	☐	☐
If monitoring system alarms are relayed to a remote monitoring center, is all communication equipment operational?	☐	☐	☐

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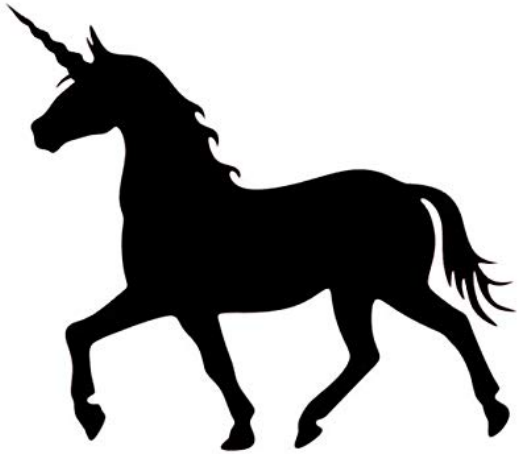

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