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MEMORANDUM

TO: Underground Storage System Technicians, Removers, and Inspectors

FROM: Thomas L. Walter, Chief – Compliance Division *TLW*
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SUBJ: **UPDATED APPLICATION and FACT SHEET** – Underground Storage System Technician, Remover, and Inspector Certification Program

The Land Management Administration, Oil Control Program (OCP) administers and enforces the Certifications Programs for underground storage tank (UST) system Technician, Remover, Heating Oil Technician, and Inspector according to Code of Maryland Regulation (COMAR) 26.10.06. Consistent with recent changes to these regulations, OCP has updated the Certification Application and Fact Sheet.

The following major changes have been made:

- Effective December 21, 2015, the Department is no longer charging fees related to the certification or recertification of UST System Technicians, Removers, Inspectors, or Heating Oil Technicians;
- The application is to be sent directly to the OCP as instructed on the new application;
- Additional letters from the applicant's employer are no longer required;
- The application form must be signed by the applicant and employer and attach any relevant certificates; and
- If an applicant does not achieve a score of 90 percent or better, they may retest within 90 days. If they are unable to pass the test within that 90 day period, then the applicant must reapply.

For additional requirements for new certification, recertification, and testing requirements (e.g. registration, scoring, study materials) please read the *UST System Technician / Remover / Inspector Certification Program Fact Sheet* and review the *Underground Storage Tank Technician, Remover, and Inspector Certification Application*. Both are available on the OCP UST Certification Programs webpage:

http://mde.maryland.gov/programs/Land/OilControl/UndergroundStorageTanks/Pages/Programs/LandPrograms/OilControl/usthome/ustcertification_programs.aspx.

