ISSUE

On September 4, 2009, the Maryland Department of Environment Oil Control Program (MDE-OCP) implemented a policy in reference to Code of Maryland Regulations (COMAR) 26.10.06.02A(2)(a)(b), 26.10.06.02B(2)(a)(b), and 26.10.06.03C. These regulations require that in order for an applicant to qualify to take the respective certification test they must provide MDE-OCP with verifiable proof of:

- **UST Technician or Heating Oil Technician** – direct involvement in a minimum of six underground storage system installations; and

- **UST Remover** – direct involvement in a minimum of six underground storage system removals.

Over time, MDE-OCP has been recording fewer complete underground storage system installations and removals, which has made it difficult for many applicants to acquire the required six UST system installations or removals within the 36 month period prior to taking the certification test.

POLICY

Since September 4, 2009, MDE-OCP has accepted verifiable proof of direct involvement of performing repairs, upgrades, installations, or closures of six underground storage systems to meet the requirement of COMAR 26.10.06.02A(2)(a)(b), 26.10.06.02B(2)(a)(b), and 26.10.06.03C. The following information must be submitted confirming the work was performed within the last 36 months prior to taking the UST Technician, Heating Oil Technician, or UST Remover test.

- Facility I.D. No
- Name of facility
- Address of facility
- Telephone number for the facility or UST owner
- Date(s) work was completed
- Brief description of the work performed

You may contact the MDE-OCP Certification Section at 410-537-3442 if you should have any questions regarding this policy.