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URGENT MATTER: ADVISORY # 03-18 to Owners/Operators of Gasoline Dispensing Facilities regarding UST Regulatory Amendments for Overfill Prevention Device Testing.

Owner/Operator:

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The State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) recently adopted amendments to Title 23, Division 3, Chapter 16 of the California Code of Regulations (CCR), regarding inspection of Overfill Prevention Devices (OPDs) equipment. These amendments take effect October 13, 2018. On June 5, 2018, the SWRCB adopted amendments to Underground Storage Tank Regulations to make the regulations at least as stringent as part 280 of 40 Code of Federal Regulations.¹ The amendments include, but are not limited to, overfill prevention equipment inspections that may involve the removal of product drop tubes. SCAQMD strongly urges owners/operators to conduct the required SWRCB inspections during normally scheduled vapor recovery reverification testing to reduce emissions. However, if SWRCB inspections are conducted outside of SCAQMD testing, we require that the following steps be taken to ensure the integrity of vapor recovery systems:

1. Create an entry into the station's Vapor Recovery Repair Log identifying that the OPD was tested (Date/Time, Technician's Name, ICC Number).
2. Conduct a Drop Tube Integrity Test (TP 201.1D) and perform a Leak Decay test (TP 201.3) **after** the drop tube is re-installed.
3. Leave a copy of the passing test reports for both tests in the Operation & Maintenance (O&M) manual. If passing results cannot be obtained, you must notify SCAQMD at the time of the failure via telephone at (909) 396-3546 or email to Rule461assistance@aqmd.gov.

SCAQMD is not requiring testing companies/contractors to obtain a confirmation number for testing. If you have any questions or need further information regarding this advisory, please contact **Rule 461 Assistance** at (909) 396-3546 or Rule461assistance@aqmd.gov.

¹ See UST Regulations CCR, Title 23, Division 3, Chapter 16, available at:
https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/ust/adm_notices/fed_rec_regs/