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Memorandum

To: Environmental Service Providers and Other Interested Parties

From: George C. Matthis, Jr.
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Subject: Revisions to the State Trust Fund Eligibility Application

This memorandum is to inform you that the Trust Fund Branch of the UST Section has revised the eligibility application. The revised application is effective as of January 1, 2009 to correspond with legislation that goes into effect at the same time.

Per the General Assembly of North Carolina Session 2007, House Bill 2498, Section 2, a statute of limitations will apply to the filing of eligibility applications (and reimbursement claims). As of January 1, 2009, an owner, operator or landowner shall request that the Department determine whether any of the costs of assessment and cleanup of a discharge or release from a petroleum underground storage tank are eligible to be paid or reimbursed from either the Commercial Fund or the Noncommercial Fund within one year after completion of any task. An eligibility application must be received within one year after completion of a task. A task is any activity defined by the Reasonable Rate Document. Eligibility applications received more than one year after task completion must be denied.

Therefore, the revised eligibility application includes the request for documentation verifying when the most recent task was completed for the applicable sites that had tasks completed more than one year ago from when the application will be submitted. Documentation includes an invoice for the activity with the task number as defined by the Reasonable Rate Document.

If there are any questions regarding these revisions, please contact me at (919) 733-1332 or email George.Matthis@ncmail.net.

Cc: UST Section Staff

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