LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT & FINANCE FINANCIAL SERVICES DIVISION MOTOR FUELS TRUST FUND



APPLICATION FOR INCLUSION ON THE LOUISIANA UST RESPONSE ACTION CONTRACTORS (RAC) LIST

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

Effective April 20, 2001, the Department of Environmental Quality required that RACs be approved under LAC 33:XI. Chapter 12. RAC applicants must complete this department-prescribed RAC application and submit it to the following address:

Attn: Office of Management & Finance Attn: Jason Efferson P.O. Box 4303 Baton Rouge, LA 70821-4303

APPLICATION DEADLINE

The RAC list will be updated once per quarter on the fifteenth of January, April, July, and October. Applications must be submitted to the Registrations and Certifications Section by 4:30 p.m. on or before the fifteenth day of March, June, September, and December to be considered for inclusion on the following month's updated RAC list.

ASSISTANCE

Please contact Jason Efferson, Motor Fuels Trust Fund Section, at 225-219-3916 if you have any questions regarding this application.

DEFINITIONS

GEOLOGIST: A person who is a graduate of an accredited institution of higher education who has successfully completed a minimum of 30 semester hours or 45 quarter hours of course work in the science of geology and has in his/her possession a minimum of a baccalaureate degree.

- **ON STAFF:** Performing services while employed by a response action contractor for an average of twenty or more hours per week. On staff does not refer to an independent contractor, but to an employee of the response action contractor.
- **RESPONSE ACTION:** Any activity, including but not limited to, assessment, planning, design, engineering, construction, operation of recovery system, or ancillary services that are carried out in response to any discharge or release or threatened release of motor fuels into the groundwater or subsurface soils.
- **RESPONSE ACTION CONTRACTOR:** A person who has been approved by the department and is carrying out any response, including a person retained or hired by such person to provide specialized services relating to a response action, and who shall provide no more than 40 percent of all response actions, based on costs, relating to a particular underground storage tank site. This 40 percent does not include those costs associated with reimbursement application preparation or laboratory analyses. When emergency conditions exist as a result of a release from a motor fuel underground storage tank, this term shall also include any person performing department-approved emergency response actions during the first 72 hours following the release.
- **SPECIALIZED SERVICES:** Response action activities associated with the preparation of a reimbursement application, laboratory analyses, or any construction activity, construction of trenches, excavations, installing monitoring wells, conducting borings, heavy equipment work, surveying, plumbing, and electrical work that are carried out by a subcontractor hired or retained by a response action contractor in response to a discharge or release or threatened release of motor fuels into the groundwater or subsurface soils.
- **TECHNICAL SERVICES:** Assessment field activities oversight; all reporting, planning, designing, and operating of corrective action and remedial systems; specialized services oversight; and other services that require geological and engineering expertise carried out in response to a discharge or release of motor fuel from UST systems into soils, groundwater, or surface water.
- **MOTOR FUEL UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK:** A UST used only to contain an accumulation of motor fuels.
- **ELIGIBLE PARTICIPANT:** Any owner of an underground storage tank who has registered said tank with the department prior to the date of a release, has paid the annual tank registration fees along with any late payment fees, and has met the financial responsibility requirements imposed by LAC 33:XI.1121(B)(1).