

County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works Environmental Programs Division

STANDARD OF PERFORMANCE ACCEPTABLE POSITION OF TEST PORTS ON PENETRATION FITTINGS AND OR TEST BOOTS ON UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK SYSTEM

I. INTRODUCTION

- A. **Purpose:** The purpose of this policy is to establish a consistent regulatory guide for positions of test ports on penetration fittings and or test boots for monitoring components of an underground storage tank (UST) containing hazardous substances.
- B. **Scope:** This standard applies to position of all test ports associated with penetration fittings and test boots. This standard is intended to allow the detection of a leak at the earliest possible opportunity.
- C. **Authority:** California Health and Safety Code (CH&SC), Chapter 6.7, Section 25299.2(a), Los Angeles County Code (LACC), Title 11, Division 4, Sections 11.72.050, 11.74.020 B, 11.72.030 and 11.88.020

II. RESPONSIBILITY

- A. Any person⁽¹⁾ that is or is directing a person to perform a substantial modification to an UST and or performing the work of a qualified service technician or qualified installer on an UST regulated by County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works (PW) shall be responsible for compliance with this Standard of Performance.
- B. The Environmental Programs Division of the PW shall verify compliance with this standard.

(1) Person shall mean an individual, trust, firm, joint stock company, business concern, partnership, limited liability company, association, and corporation, including, but not limited to, a government corporation. "Person" also includes any city, County, district, commission, State, or any department, agency, or political subdivision thereof, any interstate body, and the federal government or any department or agency thereof to the extent permitted by law LACC §11.70.145

III. POLICY

- A. Under the authority of the Director of Public Works, Environmental Programs Division of the PW has established a standard requiring the positioning of test ports for penetration fittings and test boots to be in the six o'clock position in order to detect a leak at the earliest possible opportunity. The six o'clock position refers to when the test port on a penetration fitting or test boot is located 180 degrees in the clockwise direction of the top dead center of said fitting or boot.

- B. This standard is based on this offices interpretation pursuant to LACC and not the CH&SC or California Code of Regulations, Title 23, Chapter 16. This office does not contest the State Water Resource Board's ability to the adoption and interpretation of Statewide standards and requirements as it pertains to State law or regulations. However, this agency is exercising the right to adopt and enforce standards pursuant to CH&SC and LACC.