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EMD'S ROLE

As part of your hazardous waste inspection, the EMD will determine if your facility meets all of the LQG requirements detailed in 22CCR §66265. EMD will review the hazardous waste tank assessment to ensure compliance with 22CCR §66265.192. EMD does not grant exemptions for the hazardous waste tanks assessment as outlined in 22CCR §66265.192(j).

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INTRODUCTION

You have received this Compliance Assistance Bulletin because your business generates hazardous waste which is an activity regulated under the hazardous waste program administered by the Sacramento County Environmental Management Department (EMD). This bulletin contains information to assist large quantity generators (LQGs) of hazardous waste to be in compliance with the hazardous waste tank requirements as outlined in the California Code of Regulations, Title 22 (22CCR), §66265.190-200.

DOES THIS APPLY TO YOU?

The hazardous waste tank assessment requirement applies to facilities that:

- ☑ Are LQGs of hazardous waste, which means they generate more than 270 gallons or 2,200 pounds of hazardous waste per month; AND
- ☑ Accumulate waste in stationary tanks (see Definition section).

HAZARDOUS WASTE TANK ASSESSMENT

WHAT IS A WRITTEN HAZARDOUS WASTE TANK ASSESSMENT?

A document that describes and assesses the design of a hazardous waste tank(s) to ensure that it meets the requirements of 22CCR §66265. Some key elements of the written hazardous waste tank assessment are listed below. All of the requirements can be found in 22CCR §66265.

- ☑ The written hazardous waste tank assessment must be reviewed and certified by an independent, qualified, Professional Engineer (PE) certified in California prior to the tanks being put in to service.
- ☑ Hazardous waste tanks must have secondary containment.
- ☑ Documented daily inspections of the hazardous waste tanks and ancillary equipment must be performed.
- ☑ Spill prevention (e.g. high level shutoff, check valves, etc.) and overfill prevention (e.g. auto shutoff, audible alarm, etc.) controls must be in place.
- ☑ The written hazardous waste tank assessment must be available for review during the triennial hazardous waste inspection.

WHAT DOES THIS MEAN TO YOU?

If you know or suspect that your facility is noncompliant with any of the hazardous waste tank requirements as outlined in 22CCR §66265.190-200, you must take immediate corrective action or be subject to possible enforcement measures. We strongly urge all LQGs of hazardous waste to promptly take the necessary steps to assure compliance with all statutory and regulatory requirements.

DEFINITIONS

"Large Quantity Generator" (LQG) means any facility that generates more than 270 gallons (≥2,200 pounds) of hazardous waste per month.

"Tank" means a stationary device, designed to contain an accumulation of hazardous waste which is constructed primarily of non-earthen materials (e.g., wood, concrete, steel, plastic) which provide structural support.

"Tank system" means a hazardous waste transfer, storage or treatment tank and its associated ancillary equipment and containment system.

"Container" means any device that is open or closed, and portable in which a material can be stored, handled, treated, transported, recycled or disposed of.

"Ancillary equipment" means any device including, but not limited to, such devices as piping, fittings, flanges, valves and pumps, that is used to distribute, meter or control the flow of hazardous waste from its point of generation to a storage or treatment tank(s), between hazardous waste storage and treatment tanks to a point of disposal onsite, or to a point of shipment for disposal offsite.