



## NOTICE REGARDING UST FACILITY OPERATOR TRAINING

In accordance with Federal law (the Energy Policy Act of 2005) the TCEQ adopted new rules on February 23, 2011, which created a new subchapter "N" in Title 30, Texas Administrative Code, Chapter 334 specifying new UST facility operator training requirements. Those new rules became effective March 17, 2011.

**On or after August 8, 2012, every UST facility will be required to have at least one trained Operator in each of three classes:**

1. **Class A Operator** - An individual who must have general knowledge of the requirements of all applicable UST regulations, typically a facility owner or manager who can manage resources and personnel as necessary to maintain compliance with UST regulations.
2. **Class B Operator** - An individual who ensures the implementation of all applicable UST regulatory requirements at a facility and implements the day to day aspects of facility operation, maintenance and recordkeeping.
3. **Class C Operator** - An individual, typically a clerk, who controls the dispensing of fuel and is responsible for initial response to emergencies.

Different individuals may be designated for each class of operator, or one individual may be designated for more than one of the operator classes.

An individual may be designated as a Class A Operator for one or more facilities. An individual may be designated as a Class B Operator for one or more, but not to exceed 50 facilities. An individual Class C operator must be specifically trained for each facility at which they work.

Class A and Class B operators must complete a TCEQ approved operator training course or process once every 3 years. Documentation of Class A & B Operator training must be maintained for each facility in the form of training certificates from an approved training provider.

The training of Class C Operators has to be repeated once every 3 years and is the responsibility of the designated Class B Operator/s for that facility. Documentation of Class C Operator training must be maintained for each facility in the form of a current list signed by a Class B Operator for that facility which shows the name and date of training of each Class C Operator for that facility.

The Operator Training rules can be viewed at:

<http://www.tceq.texas.gov/assets/public/legal/rules/rules/pdffib/334n.pdf>

A list of approved Operator Training Providers can be viewed at:

[http://www.tceq.texas.gov/remediation/pst\\_rp/ust\\_training](http://www.tceq.texas.gov/remediation/pst_rp/ust_training)

For more information regarding the UST Operator Training rules, you may contact the:

- TCEQ Remediation Division - PST Technical Support Function at [psttech@tceq.texas.gov](mailto:psttech@tceq.texas.gov) or at 512/239-5755 or 512/239-2200, or
- TCEQ Permitting & Registration Support Division - Registration & Reporting Section at [wasteval@tceq.texas.gov](mailto:wasteval@tceq.texas.gov) or at 512/239-2160.