



Requirements for Converting Underground Storage Tank System Status to “Extended-out-of-Service”

If you do not want to use your regulated underground storage tanks at the present time, and do not want to remove or abandon them in place, you may apply to the KDHE Storage Tank Section to convert the status of your tanks to “Extended-out-of-Service.” The steps to change your regulated underground storage tanks to “Extended-out-of-Service” are listed below:

- 1. First, select an environmental consultant approved by KDHE to work on Petroleum Storage Tank Release Trust Fund sites. Have the environmental consultant complete a Phase II Site Assessment on the underground storage tank system in question.**
- 2. Submit a copy of the Phase II Site Assessment report to:**

**Kansas Department of Health and Environment
Bureau of Environmental Remediation
Storage Tank Section
1000 SW Jackson, Suite 410
Topeka, KS 66612-1367**

KDHE will review the Phase II Site Assessment and determine if the underground storage tank system is eligible for “Extended-out-of-Service” status. After receiving clearance from the Storage Tank Section, the owner/operator must take the following steps:

1. The tanks must be emptied and cleaned. Also, the product lines must be flushed-out.
2. The fill pipe opening must be sealed and/or locked.
3. The pumps must be locked and have the electrical power to them shut-off.
4. The vent lines must remain open.
5. If your underground storage tank system includes impressed current cathodic protection, do not shut-off electrical power to the rectifier. KDHE will continue to require cathodic protection tests if your USTs are protected by impressed current or sacrificial anode cathodic protection systems.
6. Inform your 3rd Party Liability Insurance carrier that you will no longer be storing regulated substances in your underground storage tank system while its status is changed to “Extended-out-of-Service.”
7. Please continue to pay yearly tank registration fees for your underground storage tank system while it is “Extended-out-of Service.”

“Extended-out-of-Service” underground storage tank systems may be brought back into service by upgrading to meet KDHE requirements for tank and line release detection, inventory control, spill prevention, overfill prevention, and corrosion protection. If you have any questions, please call 785-296-8061.

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