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SUBJECT: **UST Quality Assurance Program Plan, Revision 1.0**

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The SCDHEC UST Programmatic Quality Assurance Program Plan (QAPP) is a compilation of UST Program guidance and procedures that are, or should be, currently occurring within the standard operating procedures of the site rehabilitation contractors working in the UST program. It is intended to provide a single performance standard for site rehabilitation activities at regulated underground storage tank sites, promoting quality and consistency from the assessment of releases through to the completion of remediation.

Based on comments received from the UST contracting community, the SCDHEC UST QAPP has been revised. Revision 1.0 of the QAPP is now posted on the UST webpage for your review along with lists of significant changes and answers to many questions. Because the QAPP is a technical performance standard that applies to site rehabilitation activities at all regulated UST sites, the Q&A does not address allowable rates for the SUPERB Account. A revised rate schedule that takes into account the requirements of the QAPP will be posted for public comment in early April 2011.

These items can be found at: <http://www.scdhec.gov/environment/lwm/html/ust.htm> and we would appreciate your review and input before Revision 1.0 of the QAPP is forwarded to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for approval. Where you see opportunities in the QAPP to improve the quality and consistency of the work you do, we ask that you provide alternative ideas to help us improve our program.

A discussion forum for contractors will be held on May 18, 2011 at 9:00 a.m. in the Peoples Auditorium, located in the SCDHEC central offices at 2600 Bull St., Columbia, South Carolina to discuss the QAPP and other related topics. For us to better answer your questions, we ask that you review the QAPP and submit your questions/comments by email before close of business on March 31, 2011. Due to capacity limitations in the auditorium, we can reserve one seat for a representative from each certified contractor. Additional representatives will be admitted based on availability of seating on the day of the discussion forum. Questions, comments, and reservations may be sent to the attention of Bridgette Hackler at hacklebl@dhec.sc.gov.

We look forward to seeing you on May 18.