66.21.7.6 Application for Approval of Tank Dismantling Yards

66.21.7.6.1 Underground steel storage tanks used for the storage of flammable liquids shall only be disposed of at tank dismantling yards approved by the State Fire Marshal in accordance with 502 CMR 3.00.

66.21.7.6.2 Application for approval of a tank dismantling yard shall be made on a form approved by the State Fire Marshal (Form FP-295). Completed applications shall be submitted to: Department of Fire Services, Division of Fire Safety, PO Box 1025, 1 State Road, Stow, MA 01775.

66.21.7.7 Tank Dismantling Yard.

66.21.7.7.1 Each tank dismantling yard shall hold valid licenses or permits from any and all local city and town Boards, Agencies, Departments, where necessary to conduct operation for underground steel storage tank dismantling and storage.

66.21.7.7.2 Each tank dismantling yard shall comply with all the provisions of regulation and be approved by the State Fire Marshal and endorsed by the Head of the Fire Department.

66.21.7.8 Operation of Tank Dismantling Yards

66.21.7.8.1 No person at a tank dismantling yard shall accept an underground steel storage tank that in any way would be used for reuse or resale purposes.

66.21.7.8.2 Each approved tank dismantling yard shall maintain a written ledger listing all underground steel storage tanks received, a receipt of disposition thereof and any other data required by the Marshal.

(3) All underground steel storage tank removals shall be in conformance with 527 CMR 1.00 and 310 CMR.

66.21.7.8.3 All underground steel storage tanks shall be pumped out dry before transported to a tank dismantling yard.

66.21.7.8.4 The vapors in an underground steel storage tank may be made inert. Solid carbon dioxide (dry ice) crushed and distributed evenly over the greatest possible area in the amount of 1.5 (lbs) pounds per 100 gallons of tank capacity may be used to inert the tank.

66.21.7.8.5 The cleaning and residue of the underground steel storage tank must be treated as a hazardous waste and removed by a licensed hazardous waste or waste oil transporter, as required by the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection. The hazardous waste manifest number shall be recorded on the fire department permit.

66.21.7.8.6 The underground steel storage tank shall be purged with an inert gas, such as nitrogen or carbon dioxide, while all connecting lines to the tank including the vent, shall be removed.

66.21.7.8.7 Holes or openings shall be drilled or made in the tank when received at the tank disposal yard.

66.21.7.8.8 Each tank dismantling yard shall have a device capable of measuring flammable vapors. The device shall be properly calibrated, and employees shall be trained in its use.

66.21.7.8.9 No tank dismantling yard shall accept any tank that has not been purged of product and inerted.

66.21.7.8.10 All tanks shall be stored on the secured premises of an approved dismantling yard where they can be safeguarded from the general public.
66.21.7.8.11 If a tank yard finds product in a tank, such as sludge or other contaminated waste, the material shall be treated as a hazardous waste and removed by a hazardous waste or waste oil transporter in accordance with 310 CMR.

66.21.7.8.12 All underground steel storage tanks accepted at approved tank yards must be dismantled within two working days of the date of acceptance. No tanks may be stored in excess of 72 hours without approval of the head of the fire department.

All tank dismantling yards shall comply with the requirement set forth in 502 CMR 3.00.

The State Fire Marshal may, after the opportunity for a hearing, suspend or revoke the approval of any tank dismantling yard not in compliance with 502 CMR 3.00 or any other law or regulation relating to the operation of said facility.