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Dear Aboveground Storage Tank Owner:

On January 2, 2015, the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection ("MassDEP") adopted amendments to the following regulations applicable to motor vehicle fuel dispensing facilities subject to Stage I and II Vapor Controls:

- Amendments to 310 CMR 7.00 Definitions,
- 7.24(3) Distribution of Motor Vehicle Fuel, and
- 7.24(6) Dispensing of Motor Vehicle Fuel.

MassDEP records indicate that you are the owner of one or more aboveground storage tank subject to the new program amendments referenced above. I am writing to remind you of an important compliance deadline that, if not yet complied with, must be complied with by **January 2, 2017**:

- All **Stage II vapor recovery systems** have to be decommissioned in accordance with 310 CMR 7.24(6)(I); and
- New **Stage I** vapor recovery component installation requirements have to be met in accordance with 310 CMR 7.24(3)(b)2.a.

MassDEP encourages you to make arrangements to meet the Stage I and II requirements described above as soon as possible. As the deadlines get closer, it may be difficult to find an available contractor, as their services will be in high demand.

For additional information regarding important Stage I/II program requirements and compliance deadlines please go to:

- Fact Sheet: MassDEP's Revised Stage I & II Regulations:
<http://www.mass.gov/eea/docs/dep/air/laws/s1and2-fs15.pdf>
- Stage I/II Vapor Recovery Home Page: <http://www.mass.gov/eea/agencies/massdep/air/programs/stage-ii-vapor-recovery.html>

Please contact the Stage I/II Help Line at (617)556-1035 ext. 1, if you have questions, or if you need to correct MassDEP's information about your Stage I/II system.

Sincerely,

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