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TO: Associate Members

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The Federal Energy Policy Act of 2005 mandated that all operators of underground petroleum storage tanks conduct operator training by August of 2012.

VPCGA was an active participant in the Virginia DEQ's regulatory process to implement this mandate in the Commonwealth and we have been working with them closely to assure tank owners are in compliance in advance of the mandate. We are aware that there are numerous training courses available - some hands on, others internet based. DEQ has made it clear to us that any courses offered must be pre-approved.

The VPCGA Board of Directors will be reviewing the operator training issue at their quarterly meeting in April. Afterward they intend to furnish all members with a list of approved training and may offer hands on training through an approved vendor or vendors beginning this summer.

Consequently, we have two requests. If you offer class A,B and C training and it has been approved by the Virginia DEQ, would you like us to make that information available to all VPCGA members?

Secondly, if you offer hands on classroom training, would you be interested in partnering with VPCGA in offering this to the membership? If so, please complete the following page and return to the office no later than March 10<sup>th</sup>.



## Operator Training

Company: \_\_\_\_\_

Has this program been approved by Virginia DEQ? \_\_\_\_\_

Content of Program: \_\_\_\_\_

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Length of Program: \_\_\_\_\_

Will successful students receive a certificate of completion? \_\_\_\_\_

Will your company maintain permanent records of those who receive certificates? \_\_\_\_\_

Does this program include Class C Training and proof of completion of same? \_\_\_\_\_

Registration Fee: \_\_\_\_\_

Other Fees: \_\_\_\_\_

Qualifications of Training Staff: \_\_\_\_\_

Have any other states approved this program? If so, which ones? \_\_\_\_\_

Please return by March 10 to:

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