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## VA DEQ Extends UST Comment Period

As we reported on Friday, VA DEQ has proposed amendments to the UST technical and financial responsibility regulations. The VPCGA board reviewed these changes last Thursday and requested that the association's general counsel Bruce Arkema seek an extension of the comment period. We are pleased to report that the agency notified us that they have extended the comment period for two weeks until May 1.

Here is the link to the proposed regulation:

http://www.deq.virginia.gov/Portals/0/DEQ/Land/Tanks/UST\_UST-FAR\_regamd.3.23.pdf?ver=2017-03-23-153818-633.

The black line version of the amended regulation begins on page 2. Beginning on page 98 of the document, you will find a table with each proposed regulatory change listed. For every proposed change, included is the corresponding federal regulatory provision and the rationale for the change.

## NACS Industry Update Luncheon Two Weeks Away *April 17, 2017*

VPCGA is co-hosting the NACS Industry Update Luncheon being held in Richmond on Monday, April 17, 2017, presented by Hank Armour, NACS President & CEO. The event begins at 11:30am and runs until 2:30pm.

This is an excellent opportunity to network with your peers, enjoy a complimentary lunch and learn about what's going on in the convenience and retail fuels industry as well as important Federal legislative and regulatory issues facing our industry,

There is no cost to attend and registration is required by April 10, 2017. To register, <u>click here</u> or contact <u>Ashley Short</u>. Venue details will be provided in your registration confirmation prior to the event.

## **Strauss Scholarship Applications Now Accepted**

Applications are being accepted for the 2017 S. Frank Strauss Scholarship Program. This program was established in the 1970's in recognition of Mr. Frank Strauss, who was the long time executive director of the Virginia Food Dealers Association. This program is open to VPCGA members, their employees and the children of VPCGA employees. Awards are made after review by the Association's scholarship committee, which considers need as well as academic achievement in their evaluation. Recipients must be high school graduates by June of this year and attend a post secondary institution of higher education in the fall of 2017. You can view the application here. Complete applications must be received by April 15. You may also post this flyer for your employees.

## Save the Date!

The 69th Annual Meeting will be held September 24-26, 2017 at the Omni Homestead Resort! Look for details and registration July 1!