Storage Tank Enforcement: Virginia Department of Environmental Quality and Skipwith Facility Operator Enter into Consent Order



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The Virginia Department of Environmental Quality ("VDEQ") and Punks Stop LLC ("Punks") entered into a September 30th Consent Order ("CO") addressing alleged violations of the Virginia Underground Storage Tank ("UST") regulations.

The CO provides that Punks operates USTs at a facility in Skipwith, Virginia.

VDEQ is stated to have inspected the Punks facility on June 8th.

Violations alleged by the CO include:

- Failure to keep required records at the facility, readily available at an alternative site, or make them immediately available upon request.
- Failure to properly perform, repair, replace, test, or provide a method, or combination of methods, of release detection for tanks, and/or operation of electronic and mechanical components for USTs.
- Failure to properly perform, repair, replace, test, or provide !release detection for piping, and/or operation of electronic and !mechanical components for USTs.
- Failure to provide, operate, repair, test and/or maintain corrosion protection of the UST system.
- Failure to properly perform, repair, replace, test, or provide equipment that will prevent a release into the environment.
- Failure to conduct or properly conduct walkthrough inspections.
- Failure to complete the required training and/or designate Class A, Class B, and/or Class C operators and/or failure to provide written instructions or emergency procedures.

The CO assesses a civil penalty of $8,140. The CO also requires that certain actions be taken to correct the alleged violations by specified dates.

A copy of the CO can be found here.