Section 4

The UST (Underground Storage Tank) Program in Tennessee

Pursuant to the Tennessee Underground Storage Tank Act (T.C.A. § 68-215-101), the UST program is designed to protect the state’s natural resources and public health. The program regulates the construction, operation, and closure of underground storage tanks used for storing hazardous and non-hazardous substances.

I. Overview

The UST program is administered by the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC) and the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation (TBI). The program is enforced by the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC) and the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation (TBI).

II. Regulations

The UST program is governed by T.C.A. § 68-215-101, which sets forth the requirements for USTs, including minimum design requirements, operational standards, and closure requirements.

III. Compliance

UST owners and operators must comply with the regulations and obtain permits as required by T.C.A. § 68-215-101. Violations of the regulations may result in fines and other penalties.

IV. Enforcement

The TDEC and TBI have the authority to inspect USTs, investigate violations, and enforce compliance with the regulations.

V. Reporting

UST owners and operators are required to report any spills or releases of UST contents to the TDEC promptly.

VI. Administrative Penalties

UST owners and operators who fail to comply with the regulations may be subject to administrative penalties, including fines and other penalties.

VII. Legal Remedies

The TDEC and TBI may seek legal remedies, including civil and criminal penalties, for violations of the UST program regulations.

VIII. Public Access

The TDEC provides information on the UST program and UST compliance on its website, which is accessible to the public.

IX. Conclusion

The UST program is crucial to protecting the state’s natural resources and public health. UST owners and operators must comply with the regulations to ensure compliance.

Sincerely,

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Director

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