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### California Environmental Protection Agency

#### **Annual Summary Report Submission Reminder**

The California Environmental Protection Agency (CalEPA) would like to remind all Certified Unified Program Agencies (CUPA) that the Fiscal Year 2012/2013 Annual Summary Reports 2, 3 and 4 are due to Cal/EPA on September 30, 2013. CUPAs may submit their hard copy reports by U.S. Mail, via fax, or email (see CalEPA contact information provided below).

Please submit the Fiscal Year 2012/2013 Annual Summary Reports 2, 3 and 4 using current forms by immediately. The forms can be found on CalEPA's website at [www.calepa.ca.gov/CUPA/Publications](http://www.calepa.ca.gov/CUPA/Publications). For questions or concerns please contact John Paine at [John.Paine@calepa.ca.gov](mailto:John.Paine@calepa.ca.gov).

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### **Title 27 Electronic Reporting Regulations - Final Adoption Delayed**

After addressing the concerns with the regulations expressed by the Office of Administrative Law (OAL) on October 2, 2013, CalEPA initiated a second 15-day notice and comment period for the Title 27 Electronic Reporting Regulations. This comment period will end at 5:00 p.m. on October 18, 2013.

CalEPA will respond to all comments received during this comment period, make any necessary revisions to the proposed regulations and resubmit the regulatory package to OAL for their final 30-day review, barring any substantial changes to the regulations that would require additional notice and comment period(s). The effective date of these proposed regulations still remains an uncertainty. The final determination of the effective date will not be known until OAL completes their final 30-day review. However, CalEPA anticipates that the effective date of the regulations to be either sometime in late November/early December 2013 or January 1, 2014.

Please direct any questions or concerns to John Paine, at (916) 327-5092 or [john.paine@calepa.ca.gov](mailto:john.paine@calepa.ca.gov).

### **CERS2 Business Rules and CERS EDT Manual**

On October 3<sup>rd</sup> CERS Technology Services staff released a new technical document titled "CERS2 Business Rules." While most of the information in this document was previously available in some other published form (CERS EDT Manual, EDT Endpoint documentation, CERS Data Registry, CRUG minutes), this document compiles this information into a single source as much as possible. This document is primarily of interest to EDT implementations involving local reporting portals and submittal of CME data.

Also on October 3<sup>rd</sup> CERS Technology Services staff released a revised version of the "CERS EDT Manual." This is a technical manual intended for information technology professionals and others who have direct responsibility for implementing CERS machine-to-machine electronic data transfer. The new version 1.00 release updates the previous 0.91 release from April 2012.

### **Department of Toxic Substances Control - None**

### **State Water Resources Control Board - None**

### **Office of Emergency Services – Cal OES (formerly Cal EMA) - None**

### **Office of State Fire Marshal**

#### **Aboveground Petroleum Storage Act (APSA)**

The APSA regulations workgroup met via teleconference on September 17, 2013. The parameters of subgroups and also subgroup chairpersons were selected.

The recycled underground storage tanks (USTs)-farm tanks workgroup met on September 17, 2013. This group will next meet on September 30, 2013.

The APSA advisory committee last met on July 11, 2013, and will next meet on October 2, 2013. The meeting notices and minutes may be viewed at [http://osfm.fire.ca.gov/advisorycommittees/advisorycommittees\\_apsa.php](http://osfm.fire.ca.gov/advisorycommittees/advisorycommittees_apsa.php). For more information, please contact Jennifer Lorenzo at (916) 324-0232 or [Jennifer.Lorenzo@fire.ca.gov](mailto:Jennifer.Lorenzo@fire.ca.gov).

#### **Spill Prevention, Control and Countermeasure (SPCC) Guidance Document**

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency SPCC Guidance Document for Regional Inspectors has been revised. Webinars have also been made available that cover the highlights and significant new provisions. For more information, go to U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's website at [http://www.epa.gov/emergencies/content/spcc/spcc\\_guidance.htm](http://www.epa.gov/emergencies/content/spcc/spcc_guidance.htm).

**California Fire Code**

The 2013 California Fire Code has been adopted and will become effective January 1, 2014. For additional information, visit the California Building Standards Commission website at <http://www.bsc.ca.gov/codes.aspx>.

**Hazardous Liquid Pipelines**

The Office of the State Fire Marshal is no longer responsible for interstate hazardous liquid pipelines in California. Effective January 1, 2013, all interstate hazardous liquid pipelines are under the jurisdiction of the U.S. Department of Transportation's Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Administration. Intrastate hazardous liquid pipelines in California are still regulated by the Office of the State Fire Marshal.