

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Tribal Strategy; Solid Waste Disposal Act, Subtitle I, as Amended by Title XV, Subtitle B of the Energy Policy Act of 2005**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency.**ACTION:** Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: By this notice, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Office of Underground Storage Tanks (OUST) is advising the public that on August 7, 2006, EPA issued a strategy for implementing the underground storage tank program in Indian Country (referred to as the tribal strategy) and made the strategy available on EPA's Web site at: www.epa.gov/oust/fedlaws/epact_05.htm#Final. EPA developed the tribal strategy to implement Section 1529 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005.

DATES: On August 7, 2006, EPA issued and posted the tribal strategy on EPA's Web site. EPA is notifying the public via this notice that the final tribal strategy is available as of August 14, 2006.

ADDRESSES: EPA posted the final tribal strategy on our Web site at: www.epa.gov/oust/fedlaws/epact_05.htm#Final. Paper copies are also available from the National Service Center for Environmental Publications (NSCEP), EPA's publications distribution warehouse upon request. You may request copies from NSCEP by calling 1-800-490-9198; writing to U.S. EPA/NSCEP, Box 42419, Cincinnati, OH 45242-0419; or faxing your request to NSCEP at 513-489-8695. Ask for: *Strategy For An EPA/Tribal Partnership To Implement Section 1529 Of The Energy Policy Act Of 2005* (EPA-510-R-06-005, August 2006).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Joseph Vescio, EPA's Office of Underground Storage Tanks, at vescio.joseph@epa.gov or (703) 603-0003.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On August 8, 2005, President Bush signed the Energy Policy Act of 2005. Title XV, Subtitle B of this act, entitled the Underground Storage Tank Compliance Act of 2005, contains amendments to Subtitle I of the Solid Waste Disposal Act. This is the first Federal legislative change for the underground storage tank (UST) program since its inception over 20 years ago. This new law significantly affects Federal and state UST programs; requires major changes to the programs;

and is aimed at reducing UST releases to our environment.

Section 1529 of the Energy Policy Act requires that EPA, in coordination with Indian tribes, develop and implement a strategy for implementing the UST program in Indian Country. EPA worked closely with tribes to develop the tribal strategy. In June 2006, EPA released a draft of the tribal strategy for public comment. After considering comments, on August 7, 2006, EPA issued the tribal strategy. EPA will implement and use this strategy as a basis for its August 2007 report to Congress, which is required by the Energy Policy Act.

You may view the tribal strategy at: www.epa.gov/oust/fedlaws/epact_05.htm#Final, which is EPA's Web site. You may also obtain paper copies from NSCEP, EPA's publications distribution warehouse. You may request copies from NSCEP by calling 1-800-490-9198; writing to U.S. EPA/NSCEP, Box 42419, Cincinnati, OH 45242-0419; or faxing your request to NSCEP at 513-489-8695. Ask for: *Strategy For An EPA/Tribal Partnership To Implement Section 1529 Of The Energy Policy Act Of 2005* (EPA-510-R-06-005, August 2006).

Dated: August 7, 2006.

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Delivery Prohibition Grant Guidelines for States; Solid Waste Disposal Act, Subtitle I, as Amended by Title XV, Subtitle B of the Energy Policy Act of 2005**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency.**ACTION:** Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: By this notice, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Office of Underground Storage Tanks (OUST) is advising the public that on August 7, 2006 EPA issued the delivery prohibition grant guidelines and made the guidelines available on EPA's Web site at: www.epa.gov/oust/fedlaws/epact_05.htm#Final. In this notice, EPA is publishing the delivery prohibition grant guidelines in their entirety. EPA developed the delivery prohibition grant guidelines as required by section 1527 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005.

DATES: On August 7, 2006, EPA issued and posted the delivery prohibition grant guidelines EPA's web site. EPA is notifying the public via this notice that the delivery prohibition grant guidelines are available as of August 14, 2006.

ADDRESSES: EPA posted the delivery prohibition grant guidelines on our Web site at: www.epa.gov/oust/fedlaws/epact_05.htm#Final. You may also obtain paper copies from the National Service Center for Environmental Publications (NSCEP), EPA's publications distribution warehouse. You may request copies from NSCEP by calling 1-800-490-9198; writing to U.S. EPA/NSCEP, Box 42419, Cincinnati, OH 45242-0419; or faxing your request to NSCEP at 513-489-8695. Ask for: *Grant Guidelines To States For Implementing The Delivery Prohibition Provision Of The Energy Policy Act Of 2005* (EPA-510-R-06-003, August 2006).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Tim Roberts, EPA's Office of Underground Storage Tanks, at roberts.timothy-p@epa.gov or (703) 603-7144.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On August 8, 2005, President Bush signed the Energy Policy Act of 2005. Title XV, Subtitle B of this act, entitled the Underground Storage Tank Compliance Act of 2005, contains amendments to Subtitle I of the Solid Waste Disposal Act. This is the first Federal legislative change for the underground storage tank (UST) program since its inception over 20 years ago. This new law significantly affects Federal and state UST programs; requires major changes to the programs; and is aimed at reducing UST releases to our environment. Among other things, the UST provisions of the Energy Policy Act require that states receiving funding under Subtitle I comply with certain requirements contained in the law. OUST worked, and is continuing to work, with its partners to develop grant guidelines that EPA regional tank programs will incorporate into states' grant agreements. The guidelines will provide states that receive UST funds with specific requirements, based on the UST provisions of the Energy Policy Act, for their state UST programs.

Section 1527, Subsection (a) of the Energy Policy Act requires that EPA develop and publish processes and procedures for a delivery prohibition program. EPA worked closely with states, tribes, other Federal agencies, tank owners and operators, UST equipment industry, and other stakeholders to develop draft delivery prohibition grant guidelines. In May 2006, EPA released a draft of the delivery prohibition grant guidelines. After considering comments, on August