
State Water Resources Control Board

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To: CUPAs and PAs

RECERTIFICATION REQUIRED FOR INDIVIDUALS USING THE CALDWELL LEVEL CHANGE INDICATOR

In July 2014 the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) Underground Storage Tank (UST) Program included in our monthly updates an advisory about service technicians using the Caldwell Level Change Indicator. Between January 2003 and July 2014 Caldwell Systems was not requiring service technicians to recertify for the Caldwell Level Change Indicator every 36 months. California Code of Regulations, title 23, section 2715 requires service technicians to be recertified on the equipment they use for testing at the time interval recommended by the manufacturer or every 36 months, whichever is shorter. All certifications issued to service technicians from Caldwell Systems for the Caldwell Level Change Indicator more than 36 months ago are expired.

The State Water Board contacted Caldwell Systems in June of 2014 and informed them of the requirement for service technicians to recertify at least every 36 months. Caldwell Systems has since started a recertification program. However, there are still service technicians with certifications that are older than 36 months that are expired and service technicians with certifications that do not have a certification/expiration date to determine when recertification is required. Service technicians with expired certifications are not allowed to perform secondary containment testing with the Caldwell Level Change Indicator. In addition, service technicians that have been certified but do not have a certification/expiration date on their certification to prove they have received training within the last 36 months are also not allowed to perform secondary containment testing with the Caldwell Level Change Indicator. These service technicians are required to contact Caldwell Systems to recertify and obtain a certification with a valid certification/expiration date if they wish to continue to use the Caldwell Level Change Indicator to perform secondary containment testing.

If you have questions regarding recertification of the Caldwell Level Change Indicator please contact me at (916) 341-5668 or cory.hootman@waterboards.ca.gov.

Sincerely,



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