

**ALTERNATE LIFE EXPECTANCY FOR UNDERGROUND STORAGE
TANKS IN RESPONSE TO THE COVID-19 EMERGENCY**

In response to the current emergency, recognized in the Declaration of Public Health and Civil Preparedness Emergencies issue by the Governor on March 10, 2020, and pursuant to the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies (“R.C.S.A.”) § 22a-449(d)-1(h)(3) and 22a-449(d)-111(d), the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection (“the Commissioner”) hereby approves an alternative life expectancy to no later than December 31, 2020, for underground storage tanks (“USTs”) that satisfy the eligibility criteria and the terms and conditions noted below (“this Approval”).

A. Eligibility: To be eligible under this Approval a UST must:

1. Have reached or be reaching the end of life expectancy between March 15, 2020 and September 30, 2020 only; and
2. Be subject to R.C.S.A §22a-449(d)-1 or R.C.S.A. § 22a-449(d)-111(d).

B. Conditions:

1. All records related to this Approval, regarding life expectancy, shall be maintained in the same manner as other UST records, be provided to the Commissioner upon request, and be available for inspection during normal business hours.
2. This Approval shall take effect on the date it is signed by the Commissioner, below. Should the Commissioner deem it necessary, the Commissioner reserves the right to revoke, extend, or make other changes to this Approval.
3. Nothing in this Approval shall relieve an owner or operator of USTs of any other obligation under applicable law, including, but not limit to, any requirement of the state underground storage tank regulations, R.C.S.A § 22a-449(d)-1, or R.C.S.A. § 101-113, as applicable.



June 25, 2020

Katherine S. Dykes
Commissioner
Department of Energy and Environmental Protection

Date