

Good Job - Thank You!

We wish there were a better way to say it, but words are inadequate. So please know we sincerely mean it: **You have done a magnificent job continuing to serve your customers through very challenging times, while also maintaining your equipment, complying with regulations, and renewing your insurance coverage.**

That's no small feat. But Missouri's tank owners and operators, and the equipment companies who service them, have once again demonstrated your work ethic, tenacity, commitment to compliance, and cooperative spirit. We are unaware of a single tank site that has lost its PSTIF insurance coverage due to difficulties encountered during the virus shutdown.

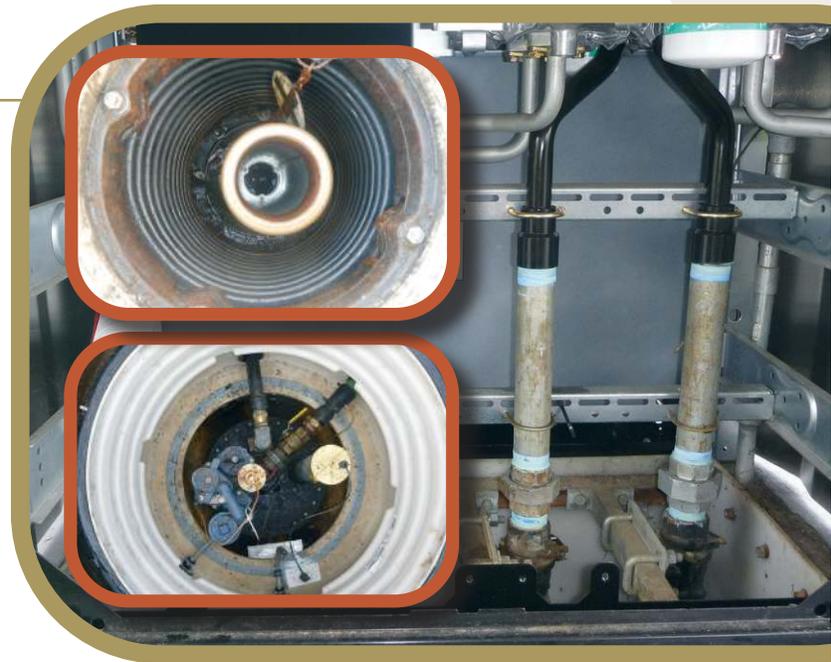
We appreciate your willingness to work with us, and we understand there may be unavoidable delays in getting equipment tests and/or repairs done. If your coverage is due to renew in the coming weeks, please remember to contact your equipment vendor and schedule any required tests and/or maintenance well in advance. And stay in contact with us as needed to assure there is no lapse in your coverage. Our underwriting staff continues to process your insurance applications and is readily available to answer your questions.

Inspections Continue

Our contract inspectors have also continued working through the virus shutdown and are finishing the last of their assigned inspections for this fiscal year. By addressing the maintenance and repair items observed by our inspectors, tank owners continue to minimize the risks of having a reportable release, making a claim to the PSTIF, and incurring significant expense, including a \$10,000 deductible.

This is the final year of the PSTIF Board's contract with R&A Risk Professionals.

The Board is reviewing proposals and expects to award a new inspection contract later this spring.



Husky Engineering Creativity

And speaking of going above and beyond... In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, **engineers at Husky Corporation, headquartered in Pacific, Missouri, designed a rapid-manufacture ventilator that can be produced at low cost and used by operators with little training.** The idea was spawned when

a nurse anesthetist asked his friend, Husky Engineering Manager Zach Holcomb, if he could think of a way to use manual resuscitator bags as stand-alone respirators. Within days, Husky had produced a low-cost ventilator with readily-available components. The company is continuing efforts to improve its invention and is exploring options for its use in third-world countries where a low-cost ventilator could be invaluable. *(Information provided by PEI)*





Changes to Fuel Standards

Due to recent market disruptions caused by the virus pandemic, state and federal officials temporarily postponed the effective date of the required annual change to reformulated gasoline (RFG) and gasoline with a lower Reid vapor pressure (RVP), delaying the date of the required shift from May 1 to May 20.

Missouri's Air Conservation Commission is expected to approve permanent rescission of the special Kansas City area RVP requirement when it meets on May 28. If the change is approved, Missouri's rule requiring RVP in the Kansas City area will lapse on September 30, 2020, and will be removed, in entirety, upon U.S. EPA approval. MoDNR is working with U.S. EPA and hopes for approval prior to next summer.

In the St. Louis area, work continues to eliminate Missouri's requirement to sell low-volatility reformulated gasoline (RFG) in the summer. Rescinding that requirement will require coordinated action by the MoDNR and the U.S. EPA.

Legislative Update

Because the Missouri General Assembly did not meet for several weeks, the PSTIF bill (like hundreds of other legislative proposals) did not pass this year. The Board of Trustees will continue analyzing various options for providing additional coverage to its insureds.

Well Installation Board News

Congratulations to Neal Farrar of Sunbelt Environmental, who was recently appointed by Governor Parson to serve on DNR's Well Installation Board. The Board issues regulations governing drillers, including those who install monitoring wells, and sets fees for certifying and registering wells.



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