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**Promoting Environmental Excellence through Environmental Leadership and Voluntary
Performance Improvements**

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Quarterly Report

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Project Synopsis

During this reporting period, the Division of Compliance Assistance (DCA) attended three UST inspections to observe the most common compliance issues associated with operation and maintenance of UST systems. DCA also worked with the Kentucky UST Program and obtained a copy of the proposed Monthly Visible Emission Checklist in development by the program to coincide with a Certified Operator Training Course. Based on these materials, DCA has concluded that a multimedia environmental compliance calendar along with an interactive training presentation would be the best tool for this sector as to not duplicate any materials already in development by the Kentucky UST Program. To date, a skeletal version of the calendar has been drafted which includes environmental compliance topics and pollution prevention/green tips. In the next quarter, DCA will be attending a three day UST training course, finalizing the calendar design and content, and working with stakeholders on the training agenda and presentation.

Narrative Discussion

To date, there have not been any significant or unforeseen obstacles to the success of this project. The division will be meeting with the UST branch and other stakeholders such as the Petroleum Marketers Association over the next couple of months to initiate stakeholder review of the compliance calendar and training agenda items as well as begin implementation discussions. In order to allow the division to more effectively target retail gas sectors, the Franklin county geographic area will be targeted for the project. This geographic area has approximately 114 known regulated facilities. In 2008, inspections at these facilities resulted in 162 violations. This averaged to approximately five (5) violations per business, primarily with UST regulations although some wastewater violations were noted.

Given the compliance history with this geographic area and the latest area source rule for Gasoline Dispensing Facilities, the implementation and use of a multimedia environmental compliance calendar will encourage improvements in leak detection and repair as well as overflow and spill prevention, two main areas of non compliance for the sector. The calendar through its green tips and pollution prevention recommendation will also facilitate regulated entities joining KY EXCEL and becoming environmental leaders.

Project Tasks and Milestones

(Reflecting Accomplishments for this quarter and projection of activities for next quarter)

<i>Implementation Activities</i>	<i>Start Date</i>	<i>Target Completion</i>	<i>Status/Notes</i>
Identify sector for TAP	10/07	12/07	Completed Retail gasoline stations were selected. An emphasis will be placed on operational requirements for USTs.
Determine compliance baseline for identified sector	01/08	02/08	Completed
Collaborate and solicit input from stakeholders	08/08	3/09	In progress Informal stakeholder discussions have occurred and formal discussions will take place in the next quarter.
Develop TAP materials	05/08	3/09	In progress Draft Multimedia Environmental Compliance Calendar has been completed. Over the next quarter, DCA will complete the training agenda and presentation along with compliance calendar.

Financial Report

To date the Division has expended under 40% of this funding source. All expenditures remain within budgeted amounts.

Budget Category	Approved Budget	Spent this Quarter	Cumulative to date
Personnel	\$144,000	38,858.10	\$55,155.93
Supplies	\$3,000	\$0	\$0
Travel & Training	\$8,000	\$1,475.34	\$3,492.81
Contractual	\$2,000	\$0	\$0
Total Direct Costs	\$157,000	\$40,333.44	\$58,648.74
Total Indirect	\$32,000	\$11,216.57	\$14,892.37
TOTALS	\$189,000	\$51,550.01	\$73,541.11