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NEW FUNDS FOR OLD LEAKING USTS

Since November 1, 2006, the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) has been accepting pre-certification applications for the Temporary Reimbursement Program (TRP) leaking underground storage tank (LUST) sites.

The TRP was established in July 2006 to provide limited financial assistance to owners/operators toward cleaning up their old LUST problems by reimbursing 80% of each approved work invoice, up to \$50,000 for each approved facility. *The catch*: to qualify, owners/operators must have had previously approved claims under the former Michigan UST Financial Assurance (MUSTFA) program, or have a valid assignment of an approved MUSTFA claim. Moreover, funding is only for approved work to be performed *after* your application has been approved.

The MDEQ will continue to accept and process applications through April 30, 2007, on a "first come, first served" basis (while supplies last!).

For more information or assistance with the TRP and your LUST site, call Andy Foerg, CPG or Duncan Mein, PE at 248.588.6200.