Memorandum

To: Petroleum Underground Storage Tank Release Compensation Board

From: Chief William Hills, BUSTR

Re: **BUSTR Report**

Date: June 9, 2014

PERSONNEL –

Two temporary service employees continue to assist with scanning and indexing of completed case files.

The release prevention field inspector who accepted a promotion at DIC has returned to BUSTR. His return has resulted in another BUSTR field inspector accepting a position with the SFM code enforcement bureau.

ADMINISTRATION –

The BUSTR Revolving Loan Fund Program administrative rule (OAC 1301:7-9-20) that enables Political Subdivisions to address the removal of Underground Storage Tanks is now effective. BUSTR is continuing to work with Commerce Fiscal on the application form, screening criteria and loan agreement used for this program. The funds will not be available for distribution until FY 15 (starting July 1, 2014) at the earliest.

(109) case files requiring a responsible party search have been issued to the vendors, **(89)** of the case file researches have been returned by the vendors for review, **(80)** of the reviews have resulted in payment to the vendors, **(9)** of the submitted vendor researches are under agency review.

The LUST grant allocation for FY 15/16 has been provided by U.S. EPA Region 5. The increased amount will allow BUSTR to fill an attorney and clerk position lost by cuts to the grant 2 years ago.

The UST grant final allocation for FY 14/15 has been received and results in a 12% cut for the period. As a result, the vacant field inspector position will not be filled and no vehicles will be replaced during the period.

TRAINING AND STAFF DEVELOPMENT –

The corrective action and release prevention staff attended the annual 8 hour OSHA refresher training course on April 4, 2014.

Annual physicals for both the corrective action and release prevention field staff have been completed.

TRAINING TO STAKEHOLDERS –

None scheduled at this time.

ACTIVITY –

OTTER Database Upgrade Project

Ventech and IT Commerce continue to correct minor issues as part of the contract.

Click Scheduling

There have only been a few minor issues that are being handled in-house.

STATISTICS and/or COMMENTS

Release Prevention

UST Operation Compliance Inspections

The current 3 year inspection cycle ends June 30, 2016.
For the week ending **June 7, 2014**
47 new inspections were performed for a total of **2,983** inspections.

Corrective Action

No Further Action Letters (NFA)

The current grant cycle ends September 30, 2014.
For the week ending **June 7, 2014**
6 NFA's were generated, for a total of **399** NFA's
To - date target projection of total NFA's is **414**

Statistic	Count as of 6/7/2014
Number of Registered Tanks	21,902
Number of Owners of Registered Facilities	3,708
Number of Registered Facilities	7,463
Number of Active Releases	2,471
Number of Active Closures	1,141
Number of Program No Further Actions	28,068