Memorandum

To: Petroleum Underground Storage Tank Release Compensation Board

From: Chief William Hills, BUSTR

Re: **BUSTR Report**

Date: September 5, 2014

PERSONNEL –

The Attorney and Clerk positions have been funded, posted and are in a holding pattern with Commerce Human Resources.

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. The application form is in final review and update by Commerce management.

The responsible party search program has been successfully completed. Results are being summarized and responsible parties informed.

The LUST grant allocation for FY15/16 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. In addition, another responsible party search program will be conducted.

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 Assistant Chief and Supervisor of the Release Prevention Program will attend the U.S. EPA region 5 All-States meeting in Chicago on August 26 – 27, 2014.

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 **August 23, 2014**
55 new inspections were performed for a total of **3,553** inspections.

Corrective Action

No Further Action Letters (NFA)

The current grant cycle ends September 30, 2014.
For the week ending **August 23, 2014**
9 NFA's were generated, for a total of **534** NFA's
To - date target projection of total NFA's is **540**

Statistic	Count as of 8/23/2014
Number of Registered Tanks	21,890
Number of Owners of Registered Facilities	3,703
Number of Registered Facilities	7,445
Number of Active Releases	2,454
Number of Active Closures	1,174
Number of Program No Further Actions	28,207