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Subject: UST Class A and B Operator Training - Emergency Order #29 Update

Good Afternoon Class A and B Operators,

First, this email is going out to all operators who are in our training database who expired or will expire on or after January 1, 2019. If you are no longer a designated class A or B operator in New Hampshire, please accept our apologies and you can disregard this message

This email is being sent to make you aware of updates to Governor Sununu's Emergency Order #29 (see attached). For any person holding a tank operator certification that has expired since March 13, 2020, or whose certification expired as a result of cancellation of training due to the declared state of emergency, the time period for renewal in RSA 146-C:18 is hereby extended 180 days past the date at which the department resumes offering training and certification. Please see the two examples below regarding options based on your situation.

Example 1: You expired September 1, 2020. At the time of expiration NHDES was not offering classes. On January 1, 2021, NHDES starts offering class again. You would then have until approximately the end of June 2021 to get recertified as a class A or B operator.

Example 2: You expired February 1, 2020. At the time of expiration NHDES was still conducting classes. Any facility where you have been designated as a class A or B operator is currently operating without a certified operator. New operators must be designated by the owner of the facility via a statement of training form (see attached), either someone who is currently certified or someone who is certified and falls under the circumstances of example 1.

In Example 2, please be aware that RSA 146-C:17(I), no person shall operate an underground storage facility without designated class A, B, and C operators who have been trained and certified in accordance with an approved training program. Additional training options are available and listed on the [Operator Training webpage](#). Please be aware that these approved programs, both through the International Code Council, have an additional cost to them.

We continue to move forward in a different direction given Covid-19 and will continue to update you all as significant progress occurs in regards to the training program. Please contact Spruce Wheelock, our Operator Training Coordinator, at (603) 271-0673 or Spruce.Wheelock@des.nh.gov should you have any questions on the Operator Training Program.

Thank you,
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