NOTICE

To: Eligible UST Contractors

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Subject: Groundwater Samples Shall Not be Collected for at Least 48 Hours after Monitoring Well Installation and Development

The UST Branch has noted that a number of contractors are sampling monitoring wells immediately after installation rather than waiting the required 48 hours. Section 5.8 (d) of the Site Investigation Outline (July 2011) specifically requires a minimum 48 hour wait time following well development before collecting samples from a newly installed monitoring well. UST Branch directives for new well installation now specifically incorporate the 48 hour language. The UST Branch expects the 48 hour minimum time period to be adhered to.

Failure to adhere to the 48 hour period will result in a technical incompleteness designation and a deficiency notice. The resulting monetary loss to the contractor for failing to hold to the 48 hour rule could be significant.

Please adhere to the 48 hour rule.

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