

(1) Be in substantial compliance with all State and federal laws and regulations governing the installation, operation, and use of underground storage tanks; and

(2) Provide a letter of intent to apply for financial assistance to the Department on or before September 1, [1991] 1993 and make final application to the Department on or before December 31, [1991] 1993.

(b) A loan under this subtitle may not be provided to upgrade or replace any underground storage tank that was not registered with the Department as provided in § 4-411.1 of this title on or before July 1, 1991, unless the Secretary determines that special circumstances exist.

4-607.

(a) Unless further action is taken by the General Assembly, no fee may be collected or any loan made under the provisions of or for the purposes of this subtitle, or in accordance with regulations adopted under this subtitle, after June 30, [1994] 1996.

(b) On or after July 1, [1994] 1996, any funds remaining in the Underground Storage Tank Upgrade and Replacement Fund shall be credited to the Maryland Oil Disaster Containment, Clean-Up and Contingency Fund to be used by the Department for cases in which a responsible party cannot be located or the responsible party does not have sufficient [funds] ASSETS to take adequate remedial action for:

- (1) The clean-up and removal of an underground storage tank; or
- (2) The clean-up of a petroleum release.

#### SUBTITLE 7. OIL CONTAMINATED SITE ENVIRONMENTAL CLEANUP FUND

4-701.

(A) IN THIS SUBTITLE THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.

(B) "CLEANUP" MEANS ABATEMENT, CONTAINMENT, REMOVAL, AND DISPOSAL OF OIL AND THE RESTORATION OF THE ENVIRONMENT.

(C) "FUND" MEANS THE OIL CONTAMINATED SITE ENVIRONMENTAL CLEANUP FUND.

(D) "OIL" HAS THE MEANING PROVIDED IN § 4-401(G) OF THIS TITLE.

(E) (1) "SITE REHABILITATION" MEANS CLEANUP ACTIONS TAKEN IN RESPONSE TO A RELEASE FROM AN UNDERGROUND OIL STORAGE TANK.

(2) "SITE REHABILITATION" INCLUDES INVESTIGATION, EVALUATION, PLANNING, DESIGN, ENGINEERING, CONSTRUCTION, OR OTHER SERVICES UNDERTAKEN AND EXPENSES INCURRED TO INVESTIGATE OR CLEAN UP AFFECTED SOILS, GROUNDWATER, OR SURFACE WATER.