

EPA Warns State UST Authorities Not to Approve New ASTM Visual Sump Test Standard

The EPA's Office of Underground Storage Tanks (OUST), this week, informed state underground tank program authorities that a new ASTM sump testing standard is not approved for use because it does not meet federal UST requirements. According to OUST, ASTM Standard E3255-20 does not meet federal regulatory requirements requiring spill prevention and sump testing be done using a liquid, pressure, or vacuum test. ASTM E3225-20 also known as the "FIT Test uses visual testing only. To address this matter, EPA added two new questions and answers to OUST's web-based UST Technical Compendium about the 2015 UST Regulation. You can access it by [clicking here](#).

Please note that EPA previously approved the Low Liquid Level UST Containment Sump Test developed by PMAA as an acceptable low-cost test method for sumps.