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**ENERGY POLICY ACT IMPLEMENTATION  
Status of the CNMI's Provision Compliance**

1. Secondary Containment<sup>1</sup> (Implementation required by February 8, 2007)

- The CNMI Division of Environmental Quality is in compliance with the Secondary Containment requirements. No new or replacement USTs were installed since August 8, 2005; and DEQ has not issued permits for any new or replacement USTs unless they at least meet the tank and piping secondary containment requirements. Lastly, USEPA and DEQ are revising the UST regulations for the CNMI and DEQ has statutory authority to issue this regulation.
- This activity is funded under the LUST prevention grant.

2. Delivery Prohibition (Implementation required by August 8, 2007)

- CNMI DEQ has determined that it has statutory authority for the provision. The agency has not been able to meet the required implementation date because the regulations were not revised by the required time. Stakeholder meetings on the proposed changes have been performed in June 2008; January 2009; and December 2010.
- This activity is funded under the LUST prevention grant.

3. Compliance Report on Government USTs (Report due by August 8, 2007)

- The CNMI DEQ compiled the information and submitted the report by the due date.
- This activity was funded under the consolidated agreement.

4. Inspections (Complete inspection of USTs not inspected since 12/22/98, and implement inspections of all USTs at least once every three years by August 8, 2007).

- The CNMI DEQ has met and exceeded the required implementation date.
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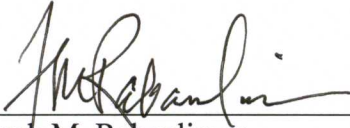
<sup>1</sup> Of the two options available for the groundwater protection provision in the Energy Policy Act of 2005 ("Secondary Containment" and "Financial Responsibility and Installer Certification") the CNMI DEQ prefers the Secondary Containment option.

5. Operator Training (Establish regulations by August 8, 2009)

- As part of its revisions to the regulations, DEQ will include operator training requirements, categories of operators, and requirements for delivery personnel. Stakeholder meetings on the proposed changes have been performed in June 2008; January 2009; and December 2010.
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6. Public Record (Publish by September 30, 2008)

- The CNMI DEQ has met and exceeded the required implementation date. The public record is available on the DEQ website [www.deq.gov.mp](http://www.deq.gov.mp).
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