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| **Environmental Enlightenment #115** By Ami Adini - Reissued October 14, 2010   |  | | --- | | This is a SHORT, LIGHT and SIMPLE newsletter. Its purpose is to rekindle in the initiated terminology they have once learned, and enlighten the uninitiated on terms they may have heard but never known the meaning of. | | **The California Underground Storage Tank Cleanup Fund**   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | http://amiadini.com/NewsletterArchive/101014-NL115/envEnl-115_files/envEnl-115_clip_image004.jpg | The Cleanup Fund assists owners of leaking petroleum underground storage tanks to pay for the cost of regulatory-mandated corrective action and for third party damages. There’s up to $1,500,000 allocated to cover each occurrence, | http://amiadini.com/NewsletterArchive/101014-NL115/envEnl-115_files/envEnl-115_clip_image002.jpg |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | Since 1992, and true to August 31, 2010, there has been a total of $2.727 billion paid against 11,069 claims. This translates to an average of $246,000 per claim over this period.  Looking at current day costs and size of projects, one can assume that recent averages could run in the $500,000 per occurrence. | http://amiadini.com/NewsletterArchive/101014-NL115/envEnl-115_files/envEnl-115_clip_image006.jpg |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | http://amiadini.com/NewsletterArchive/101014-NL115/envEnl-115_files/envEnl-115_clip_image008.jpg | Most owners and/or operators of leaking petroleum tanks can qualify. This is a broad statement to which there are exceptions. Detailed eligibility criteria are listed in the literature available by the Fund.  Many real estate transactions bog down because of concerns about leaking underground petroleum tanks. It shouldn’t be so. The financial backup of the Fund is a factor that can assist to carry these transactions through. It’s not a cure-all panacea, but in certain instances it can save the day. | |   For more information search at the Fund web site  <http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/ustcf/>  or contact me. I’ll be happy to help. | | You can find past issues of our "Environmental Enlightenment" at [amiadini.com](http://www.amiadini.com/) Wealth of information about environmental site assessments in the real estate transactions and issues concerning assessment and cleanup of contamination in the subsurface soil and groundwater. |  |  | | --- | | Call me if you have any questions. There are **no obligations.**  Ami Adini Environmental Services, Inc. Environmental Consultants & General Engineering Contractors California Lic. #1009513 A B HAZ ASB **818-824-8102**; [**mail@amiadini.com**](mailto:mail@amiadini.com) [www.amiadini.com](http://amiadini.com/)  Ami Adini is a veteran environmental practitioner with over 40 years of experience. He carries a Bachelor of Science degree (B.Sc.) in Mechanical Engineering including academic credits in Nuclear and Chemical Engineering and postgraduate education in these fields. His career includes design and construction of nuclear plant facilities, chemical processing plants and hazardous wastewater treatment systems. He is a former California Registered Environmental Assessor Levels I & II in the 1988-2012 registry that certified environmental professionals in the assessment and remediation of environmentally impacted land, and a Registered Environmental Professional (REP) since 1989 with the National Registry of Environmental Professionals (NREP). He is a California Business & Professions Code Qualifying Responsible Managing Officer (RMO) in the General Engineering Contractor classification with Hazardous Substance Removal and Asbestos certifications, and president of AMI ADINI ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES, INC. (AAES), a general engineering contractor and consulting firm specializing in environmental site assessments, rehabilitation of contaminated sites and removal of environmental risks from real-estate transactions. (Contact Ami for a complete resume.) **AAES provides practical solutions to environmental concerns using the highest standards of ethics and integrity while providing its clients with maximum return on their investments.** | |