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WORKERS' COMP INCREASE
EFFECTIVE JULY 1ST

State Compensation Insurance Fund has announced that it has filed an increase of 15% in collectible premium. The revised rates will apply to new and renewal workers' compensation policies effective on or after July 1, 2000. This rate is an average across all classifications. Therefore, while the rates for some classifications will increase, many will actually be lower than this average. The stated reason for the rate increase is the rising cost of medical treatment. Reports from the Workers' Compensation Insurance Rating Bureau show that medical treatment costs have increased 16% annually since 2005.

BUDGET CRISIS LEADS TO SUSPENSION OF
CAP REPAIR ASSISTANCE SERVICES

As of the end of business day June 16, 2009, Consumer Assistance Program (CAP) repair services by all licensed stations were suspended until a revised State budget is approved. Stations must not resume providing CAP repairs until they receive notification from CAP to do so. Stations that had a vehicle where repairs were in progress (meaning you have at least completed a baseline test prior to close of business Tuesday, June 16, 2009) were allowed to complete repairs to the vehicle and invoice CAP. If your station had vehicles that were dropped off at your station and you have not yet completed a baseline test, you must contact the consumer and notify them that you cannot perform repairs under the CAP Repair Assistance Program. Your station will not be reimbursed for repairs initiated after June 16, 2009. You will be notified by CAP as to when you may resume providing CAP repairs. CAP will continue to accept vehicles for retirement through June 30, 2009. You may direct consumers to CAP at (866) 272-9642.

CSSARA ANNUAL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 15 & 16, 2009
RENO, NEVADA

CSSARA will once again team up with the Pacific Oil Conference (POC) for its Annual Meeting in September. This Conference will be an excellent opportunity for you to meet with industry peers, become informed about industry challenges, and see the latest equipment and services for the petroleum industry.

Dates: September 14 – 17, 2009.

Location: Grand Sierra Resort and Casino Reno, Nevada

CSSARA booth hrs: Tues. 9/15 3 pm – 7 pm
Wed. 9/16 10 am – 3 pm

You will be able to meet and speak with a number of CSSARA's Associate Members/Endorsed Suppliers at our booth, so be sure to take advantage of this opportunity when you stop by.

Call the Grand Sierra Resort at 800-648-5080 to reserve your room

In-Station Diagnostics (ISD)

The other state regulation deadline is approaching that being for vapor recovery monitoring systems.

California Gas Station ISD Requirements*

Annual throughput (gal) ISD Requirement

More than 1.8 million	Install ISD by Sept. 2009
Less than 1.8 million, but more than 600,000	Install ISD by Sept. 2010
Less than 600,000	Exempt from ISD

What is In-Station Diagnostics ISD?

- Automatically Identifies failures
- Notifies station operators
- Ties into existing underground storage tank (UST) vapor leak monitors.